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A little static on the beam in Utilities got the Mansion moved before a bottomless pit had been dug for it, and so it was left, grounded, behind A row. Some of the A row tenants who had been whopping it up, dutifully destroying alcohol, swore off the stuff when they found the Impressive Edifice parked behind their huts.

BUT IT ISN'T TRUE, as some thought, that we have a new detachment, the 1st Mobile Latrine Squadron, with Cpl Saddoris as acting 1st Sgt.

BACK TO BROOKLYN, to his own non-GI tailor shop, goes the Group Tailor, Sgt Morris Balgley, Rep 2, the willing and efficient tailor. Balgley is over 38. We hope his successor keeps as good a shop.

SGT DONAR (C) D HUNT, Serv Sq, wants to know if the Serv Sq will be allotted rations and quarters, provided they stay out of the camp area. They say they have gone for bush onetime, and life is just one DS after another.

FOUND: A Spencerian pen, awarded in a marksmanship contest; Flight jacket, ATC insignia, marked B-3654. Owners please claim at the WHO DAT office.

NO MAIL will be given out by the P.O. to houseboys. Soldiers must claim their own.

C.D., Sept 8, Capt Luther P. Wheate, O.D.
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"If you find a little paint, sawdust, etc, in your shop, don't worry--it's due to the expansion program." **

**Note: After what we've eaten here and on the way over, what's a few shavings?

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BACK TO THE STATES go Major Albert Cab­ana Jr., for Hospitalization; Major Thomas M. Walnut and Captain Luther P. Wheate to Technical Inspector School, Lowery Field, Donner, Colo.; and Lt. Joseph C. Johnson to Flight Officers' Training School, Nashville, Tenn.

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UNITED STATES: Office of War Information Director Elmer Davis appealed to the nation's newspapers not to delude their readers into undue optimism with misleading headlines before the Allies achieve victory. Said Davis, "There will certainly be some partial and local defeats...if an informed and intelligent understanding of the war is to be created the front page headlines are the place where the job will be chiefly done." Davis urged headline writers to show each victory or defeat in its proper perspective. A General Court Martial demoted Col William I Colman, former commandant of Selfridge Field Army Air Base to the rank of Captain, and put him at the bottom of the promotion list, for 3 years. The Court found Colman guilty of drunkenness and careless use of firearms, involving the wounding of his chauffeur. He was acquitted on the remainder of 28 counts. President Roosevelt will send a special message on the progress of the war to Congress. He also announced that NY State Supreme Court Justice Samuel I Rosenman would leave the bench to become his legal advisor. A bill to prohibit the further drafting of fathers and the discharge from the service of fathers who were married at the time of induction was introduced on the opening day of Congress by Rep Andrew May (Ky) Chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee. In the Senate, Democratic Leader Alben Barkley said that top ranking military officers would be asked to testify on the father-drafting question. The Navy announced the loss of the US submarine Grenadier with 64 crew members, and the sinking of 2 American sub-chasers in the Mediterranean. A dred if the American raid on Paramushiro was costly.
STAFF
EDITOR Sgt Norman C McKenna, Hq
SPORTS Sgt Henry Malay, Sup 2
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FIRST ON THE CHOP LINE at our anniversary Bar-B-Que this Sunday will be the Squadron whose team wins the tug-of-war. And best seats at the Sunday night stage and movie show will be reserved for the Squadron whose entries run up the most points in sports events.

EACH SQUADRON will have one team of ten men in the tug-of-war, and one entry in the Quiz Contest.

POINTS FOR 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be awarded in the track and field events: 60, 100 and 220 yd dashes; three legged and sack races; broad jump; softball and football throw.

BOXING BOUTS are scheduled, and those interested should see Sgt Rogers, Rep in the Rec Hall on Thursday, from 1200 to 1600.

THERE WILL BE DINNER DANCING....

SWIMMING, horseshoe pitching, volley ball and beer gussling all day. No prizes for these events.

LOCAL TALENT wanted for our stage show. See Capt Ethtridge on time.

STILL MORE MEN in Rep Sq who were awarded the Good Conduct Medal are listed below. The award is made to enlisted men who have completed one regular enlistment or one year of active service during this war, and "are recommended by their commanding officers for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity." A copy of today's WHO DAT for men listed below will be found in Rep Sq Orderly Room.

Sgt Jim H Markos, Ogden, Utah
Pfc Ellie D Marlin, N Birmingham, Ala.
S/Sgt Horsemartin, Harrisburg, Ill.
Cpl John A Martin, Blaine, N.H.
Sgt Albert J Magliore, Rochester, N.Y.
Sgt John Miller, Salt Lake City, Utah
S/Sgt Chesney M Mitchell, Seattle, Wash.
M/Sgt Ralph L Mitchell, Roswell, Tex.
S/Sgt Oscar H Morgan, Inverness, Ill.
Sgt Fred P Morris, Clendenin, W.Va.
Cpl Johnnie F Myers, Dorothy, W. Va.
S/Sgt Theodore C Nelson, Salem, Ore.
Sgt Robert M Olchotree, Guthrie Center, Ia.
Sgt Alvin O Olson, Lake Bronson, Minn.
Sgt Emil C Olson, Coteau, N.D.
Pfc Haldred O Olson, Montevideo, Minn.
Cpl Albert C Ostman, Albert, Minn.
S/Sgt Gilbert L Palmer, Dousman, Wis.
Cpl William R Parks, Duncansville, Pa.
Cpl Floyd W Perton, Asheville, N.C.
M/Sgt Patrick C Pedracone, Madison, Wis.
Cpl Robert E Perry, Punta Gorda, Fla.
Cpl Stuart L Phillips, South Gate, Cal.
Cpl Felix F Prokop, Kenosha, Wis.
S/Sgt Ralph L Quever, Monomiee, Mich.
Cpl Kenneth M Ramesdell, Grandon, Wis.
Sgt Merle J Ray, Indianapolis, Ind.
Sgt Wyndham R Redford, Denver, Colo.
Sgt Paul E Rogers, Colorado City, Tex.
Sgt Ray Rogers, Akron, O.
T/Sgt Robert H Rooney, Concord, Kan.
Cpl George E Roscoe, New Vernon, N.J.
S/Sgt John W Rose, Garrettville, O.
Sgt Albert H Savage, Adrian, Mich.
Cpl Thomas J Savage, Dorr, Minn.
Sgt Peter J Schafflower, Easton, Minn.
Pfc Sherman L Scott, Klamath Falls, Ore.
Pfc Frank Shell, Tampa, Fla.
Pfc Herman J Shull, Denver, Colo.
PRIZES TO BE AWARDED to winners of events at the Anniversary Bar-B-Que on Sunday
are on display at the Group Post Office.

** MEDITERRANEAN: The American 5th Army continued to push deeper inland from Salerno
and captured three towns, one 6 miles northeast of Salerno, another 7 miles
north and another, Campagna, almost due east about 23 miles. Potenza, a com-
 munications junction almost midway in Italy, and southeast of Campagna, was
 captured by the 8th Army, French patriots, commandos and Italians were pushing
12,000 Germans to the northeast corner of Corsica, while the Germans car-
 ried out demolition, their apparent intention being to hold the Allies un-
til they could get off the island. American troops had landed on Sardinia.
Allied aircraft centered its attention on transport and communications centers
at Benevento, Capua and Concordio, just behind the German lines, and also bom-
b ed the German lines...Naples was reported in flames, without water or light,
and with food distribution failing. Many Italians have been killed violating the
Nazi curfew, and the Nazis are said to be lobbing the city...The Vatican
radio said that no Nazis had crossed the boundaries of Vatican City. Meanwhile
the Berlin radio referred sharply to "the Vatican with its preaching of pacif-
ism and with its anti-German sentiments" and added that "these centers of sabot-
age and betrayal will be eliminated from the new Fascist Italy."...

SW PACIFIC: Allied ground forces were on the move again, an Australian air
school division landing and capturing Keitaip, about 60 miles north of Lae and 70 miles
from Madang. The capture outflanks Finschafen. Allied aircraft attacked Wewak
and communications south of Madang. 2 enemy planes were shot down, and 3 more
were downed over Lae while 5 enemy bombers and 3 fighters were downed over
Vella La Vella. 3 more Jap fighters were downed by AA fire. 5 Allied planes
are missing...

RUSSIA: The Russian advance on the Smolensk front continued, with that city being
endangered by Russian forces from the southeast and northeast. The railway junction
of Gamel, about midway between Smolensk and Kiev, was the target of another
Russian column, now 50 miles from Gamel. The front in the Kiev sector is now
300 miles wide, with Kiev in danger of being outflanked. In the far south, the
Red forces are within 15-20 miles of Zaporoze and Dnieperpetrovsk...

ENGLAND: Winston Churchill gave Commons a two hour report on the progress of the
war, and revealed that not one Allied ship had been sunk in the North Atlantic
in the past four months. German commentaries on his speech admitted that the
statement was true. Other information given by Churchill: there were elaborate
plans to invade Sardinia, but the island was "picked up" and now Americans had
landed there...an American air borne division was to have landed at Rome, but
this plan was not carried out because it was found Germans controlled all the
fields at Rome...enemy losses in Sicily were 150,000 killed, wounded and capt-
ured...the Germans used a new aerial bomb, a "rocket-assisted glider," which
was released and guided by a parent plane to its target; it was used against
shipping...Gen MacArthur is "an officer of outstanding personality to whom we
owe our Australian brothers are under an immeasurable debt...explaining
Mussolini's escape, IL Duce was to be delivered to the Allies but this was im-
possible before the Armistice, as it would revealed Badoglio's plans...he hoped
that he, President Roosevelt and Stalin would meet before the end of the war...
"the bloodiest portion of the war for Britain and the US lies ahead...the Medi-
terranean operations are only a prelude to the main attack on Germany from the
west...the Nazis have forfeited the right to a honest armistice like Italy's...
...while the Italians will be rescued from "servitude and degradation" and al-
lowed to resume a place among free democracies,"Nazi tyranny and Prussian mil-
liarism must be destroyed..."

CANADA: German U-boats tried to close the important harbor of Halifax, Nova Scotia
in June, but mines were discovered and cleared from the convoy channel. Only
1 small freighter was sunk, and no lives were lost...

UNITED STATES: Senator Truman of Missouri demanded that the Army and Navy prove that
they have put their power needs to the utmost before drafting fathers. He
questioned the necessity for keeping large numbers of troops in the US, and
questioned the effectiveness and particularly employed."
THE MAIL ORDERLIES may not win any prizes Sunday, but they will win a Section VIII if GIs keep asking them if they are (a) Selling candy now; (b) Selling Ebony elephants; (c) What are they for? They are prizes to be awarded at Sunday's party, and the Orderlies don't want to answer any more questions about them. They don't mind the usual query, "Any mail today?" when the sign reads "No mail." They are used to that now.

THE ROCVILLE'S SHEEP HERD (1, white) is doing very well. She spends the night under the Adjutant's hut and every morning rises with the sun and goes for bush on time. Reminds the Adjutant of his native Brenham, Texas...

BONJOUR, published at APO 622 by an outfit overseas 15 months or more, has in its question and answer column: "My outfit ships out soon. How are my chances for a furlough?" Answer: "They are good. It is the new policy of the WD to grant furloughs to EM before they go overseas if they had none during the preceding 6 months. EM who have had no furlough since called to active duty are also granted furloughs within limitations of military necessity." Suppose we could collect on that policy? C'est drôle, Bonjour.

BELOW IS THE FINAL LIST of men in Rep Sq who were awarded the Good Conduct Medal. The award is made to enlisted men who have completed one regular enlistment or one year of active service during this war, and are recommended by their commanding officers for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity. A copy of today's WHO DAT for men listed below will be found in Rep Sq Orderly Room.

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C.D., Sept 24: Capt Earl L. Mortimer. C.D. may be found in Group Headquarters.

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CAPT., A. C.

NO MOVIES in Rocville tonight. Native variety show at the Bush town tonight.

THE ROCVILLE SOFTBALL SEASON got off to a good start yesterday with the Reds taking the first game from Men in White, 6-5. Nemeth's second hit in the 5th broke a deadlock to give the Reds the inaugural game. ...Hors defeated Duncan Fielders 9-3. Thackston featured with 2 singles and a homer. TODAY: Sore Thumbs vs Triple Ms; Wheaton's Headsache vs Jilted GIs. Umps, De Sack and Emery. TOMORROW: Bush Boys vs. Jeeps; Wide Awakes vs Parker House Boys.

BIG FEATURE of our monster party Sunday will be a quiz contest at 1:00 by that celebrated African witch doctor, Dr. F-U. Any GI who thinks he knows anything at all is invited to participate. Fine fine prizes for the winners.

SUNDAY AT 1630, The Bobbeats, Bush town's softball champs, will play Rocville's champs, the Bush Leaguers on the Rockville diamond.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TOMORROW TO Pfc Emery H Anderson, Rep 2; Sgt Francis L Peckham, Rep 2.
MEDITERRANEAN: American Rangers have joined French and Italian forces on Corsica in bitter fighting with the Nazis. Allied aircraft bombed Bastia, in northeast Corsica, the port which the Germans would likely use for evacuation, and Leghorn, on the Italian mainland, the nearest port of refuge for the evacuees. 1000 Nazis were killed in fighting in the southeastern corner of Corsica and several hundred were taken prisoner. The enemy is being gradually pushed toward Bastia.

The Salerno battle was declared at an end as the 5th Army pushed north against rearguard opposition, while the 8th Army, on the American right flank, pushed east. Naples, now in range of American artillery, was reported in flames, with the Nazis carrying out wholesale destruction of the city. The Allies have not bombed the city of Naples since the landing at Salerno, nor have they shelled St. Towns taken by Americans beyond Salerno include Monte Corvino, Rovella and San Cipriano. 8th Army units from Taranto took Ginaos, 25 miles northwest of Taranto, while 8th units took Avigliana, 10 miles north of Potenza. Allied aircraft bombed targets 45 miles beyond Naples and enemy transportation. 2 of our planes were lost, and 1 enemy plane shot down...

SW PACIFIC: Using American troop carriers, Australians made a bold landing only 6 miles north of Finschafen. They established a strong foothold there. Allied targets for ground forces are Finschafen, and Madang, to the west, on the north coast of New Guinea...

RUSSIA: The long German line in Russia was in danger of losing its extreme southern tip, resting on the shores of the Black Sea, when the Kuban peninsula flared into activity within the past week. Latest advance of the Red forces there carried them into Anapa, the only port on the Black Sea apart from those on the Crimea peninsula. The Reds forced the Nazis into the wastes of Taman peninsula. The Germans have one avenue of escape, across the Kerch Straits into the Crimea. In the southern Ukraine, Red forces were 15 miles from Dniepropol, and 8 miles Zaporoze. Berlin announced the capture of Poltava, but the Russians denied they had taken that city. On the Kiev front, the Reds took Oster, about 30 miles northeast of Kiev and took other places southeast of Kiev. Nazi positions on the Dnieper were further threatened by the capture by the Soviets of Dniodov, 40 miles northwest of Smolensk...

YUGOSLAVIA: Patriots are now engaged in two major battles against the Nazis along the Adriatic coast. Great quantities of arms have fallen into the hands of the patriots. A force of Slovenian troops in the north are threatening the city of Trieste...

EUROPE: RAF bombers in great strength strafed heavily at Hanover, Germany, their targets being the locomotive and tank works. About 36 bombers and 1 fighter are missing from the raid. Flying Fortress, accompanied by Thunderbolts, raided the naval installations at Nantes, France. They also struck at airfields. Wurzburg accompanied by fighters attacked an airfield 60 miles west of Paris...

UNITED STATES: World series odds were shortening, according to the NY Times, and the Yankees were no longer top heavy favorites. St Louis money if forcing odds down until even money is expected before the series opens October 5...According to Takio broadcasts intercepted in the US, large Jap cities are being evacuated to meet the threat of Allids air raids. Total mobilization of the Japanese civilian population for war work is part of a vast program to bolster home front morale in Japan...Industrialist Bernard M Baruch told the Senate Military Affairs Committee that if Gen Marshall says he needs more men, and that means drafting fathers, he should be given what he wants—"the man in charge of the job should be given our unqualified support."...An emergency fund of $18,600,000 has been set aside for infant and maternity care for the wives of enlisted men, as the estimate of servicemen's babies to be born this year was doubled...The American Legion, in convention at Omaha, worked for the adoption of a resolution...
PRIZE OF A TRIP TO BERLIN, instead of to Cairo, was to be awarded at the anniversary party Sunday, but arrangements could not be completed in time. There will be, however, 50 prizes for the various winners, including a prize for each man on the winning tug team. Prizes include ebony elephants with ivory tusks, brass and ivory curios, Whitman's Samplers, cigarettes and purchase certificates for the PX.

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HQ SQ is ready to put up big money on its tug team, because Pfc (GI) Davis is it on, and Davis is being reminded hourly that if his team wins, he will be first on the chop line. Judges will see to it that the tug rope is not anchored to a palm tree, or hooked to a GMC or the Farley XP-BD 1.

FIRST PRIZE OF A TRIP TO BERLIN, instead of to Cairo, was to be awarded at the anniversary party Sunday, but arrangements could not be completed in time. There will be, however, 50 prizes for the various winners, including a prize for each man on the winning tug team. Prizes include ebony elephants with ivory tusks, brass and ivory curios, Whitman's Samplers, cigarettes and purchase certificates for the PX.

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FORWARD YOUR BEST GI-Q for the quiz contest. Only one to a Squadron in this contest. (The typewriter repair worked on this machine and now we can't get it out of low-low. What did you do to it, Cummings?)

MEMBERS OF OUR QUARTERMASTER PLATOON who were awarded the Good Conduct Medal are listed below. The award is made to enlisted men who have completed one regular enlistment or one year of active service during this war, and "are recommended by their commanding officers for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity." A copy of today's WHO DAT for men listed below will be found in the QM Orderly Room.

T/Sgt Joseph C Pondergrast, Jr., Memphis, Tenn.
S/Sgt Johnnie M Adkins, Caryville, Tenn.
S/Sgt William N Hartog, Jr., New York, N.Y.
S/Sgt George Keim, Jr., Glendale, N.Y.
Sgt Harry C Douglas, Goodland, Kan.
T/4 Theodore Michael, Atlanta, Ga.
T/4 Orty E Orr, Neodesha, Kan.

IF YOU DON'T get a copy of WHO DAT today, leave word in your Orderly Room.
MEDITERRANEAN: Two-thirds of the island of Corsica is in Allied hands, with American Rangers fighting in the area about Bastia, the port to which the Germans retreated as an escape route to Italy. Chances of any sizable evacuation were lessened with the establishment of an air and sea blockade about Bastia...In Italy the right flank of the Allies swung inland and in a northerly direction, with the Allies shelling retreating Germans in the hills east of Salerno. Sarno was captured in the drive north. The Nazis were scuttling shipping in Naples harbor and the city of Naples was aflame with destruction...Middle East bombers attacked German airfields on the island of Rhodes, in the Aegean. The question of how useful to the Allies would be the ships of the Italian Navy was settled when Rear Admiral Blandy of Naval Ordnance revealed that the US Navy was prepared to supply ammunition to fit Italian naval guns...

RUSSIA: The German line in Russia continued to give way at four vital spots in the long front extending from Smolensk far south to the Black Sea. Starting in the north, the Red forces closed in on Smolensk from three sides, being only 9 miles away at one point. They were besieged by Orel, to the northwest of Smolensk...The Nazis took Pereyaslav southeast of Kiev and in some places were only 10 miles from the Ukrainian capital. Their front in the Kiev sector is 400 miles wide...The capture of Poltava by the Red forces was confirmed by Moscow; the capture opens the way for an advance on Kremenchug. These advances further endanger the Nazi hold on Zaporozhe and Dnieperpetrovsk. The last two places have been held by the Germans for two years; the Red Army is now within 8 miles of Dnieperpetrovsk...The Nazis moved the southernmost anchor of their line from the German swamps on the Kuban peninsula across the Kerch straits to the Crimean peninsula.

PACIFIC: Australians are 2 miles from Finshafen, and have the town under artillery fire. Before the airborne Australians landed, Allied aircraft neutralized all enemy airfields in the region. 40 Jap planes were downed, and 5 probables were claimed when 20 to 30 Jap bombers accompanied by about 30 Zeros attacked the invasion fleet which brought reinforcements to the Australians. The Jap planes were downed in about 25 minutes and not one Allied ship was lost. 3 of our planes were lost. It was announced that the Japs suffered about 6000 casualties in the battles at Lee and Salamaua. This does not include casualties of previous fighting in the Salamaua area and which are believed to amount to 6000 enemy casualties...The Navy revealed the name of another base in the Gilberts struck in the heavy air and sea attack a week ago. The fourth base is Apamama; the other three were Nauru, Tarawa and Makini...One third of the Jap merchant fleet has been sunk, US Navy Sec Knox said in London. Knox said the Allies were fighting in the Pacific under the most difficult conditions; that the Japs had a good fleet, knew how to handle it, and knew the Pacific much better than we...

EUROPE: 24 German fighters were shot down in a busy day and night of RAF and USAAF activity over France and Germany. No details of the raids were given, except that the operations had been intensive, and included targets from the west coast of France to northwest Germany...

UNITED STATES: The Yankees were within 2 games of clinching the pennant after nosing out Detroit 1-0 behind 2 hit pitching of Marius Russo...Congress continued its hearing on the Draft-Father question; the Senate Military Affairs Committee was told there are on the federal payroll 625,000 draft age men either single or married and childless. Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas voiced the opinion that Congress would not bar the drafting of fathers...The American Legion, closing its convention at Omaha, called for a post-war Army and Navy big enough to carry war to future enemies; recommended universal military training for all youths; maintenance of a navy capable of meeting successfully any probable combination of hostile fleets; naval and air bases throughout the world so that our navy may be able to operate efficiently in accord with world strategy; treatment as treason of blockades, strikes and other "selfish interference with war production"; provision for returning soldiers until they get full time jobs; a national service act to make all available all man and womanpower in the US. Warren R Atherton, Stockton, Calif, attorney was elected National Commander...Capt Clerk Cable returned to a British base with a flank peppered bomber on his fifth mission as an aerial gunner and photographer, thus earning the Air Medal...Illinois coal operators and the United Mine Workers signed an agreement bringing a raise of about $2.00 daily to 25,000 miners. The contract goes to the