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GENERAL ARNOLD VISITS



Greeted by members of Colonel Lovell's Air Base Staff, General Arnold paid a brief inspection tour to Dow Field.

Gen. Henry Arnold is Chief of the U. S. Army Air Forces and will direct the attack in the big smash on Germany. He graduated from West Point Academy in 1907 and went into the Infantry, switching to flying in 1911 and taking lessons from the Wrights, and becoming one of the country's first four military aviators.

Twice he has won the Mackay Trophy, first for use of wireless in Military Reconnaissance, and second for a flight survey of Alaska. During World War I he was Assistant Director of Military Aeronautics and boss of 30 training schools. He was also flying mate of Gen. "Billy" Mitchell.

General Arnold is one of five generals who have visited Dow Field in the past week. The other four ranking officers were Brigadier General George, Brigadier General Blood, Lt. General Drum, and Brigadier General Hunter.

DOW FIELD
TO BROADCAST

Sat. night on station WLBZ from 9 - 9:30 P.M. Dow Field goes on the air. Featuring the band with Pfc. M. Levine as violin soloist and Pvt. M. Clarke as vocalist the program will be re-broadcast to the U. S. Forces overseas. There will also be a good will show by Lt. Kelly of Special Service. Completing the schedule will be Senator Brewster, Editor Hauffman of the Bangor News, Patricia Pozzy saying "hello" to her dad overseas,

KNOW YOUR
Commanders

Major ROBERT FORD Base Administrative Inspector. Prior to the present war - Major Ford was a reserve officer, having served in the 1st World War. When called to active service he was assigned to Dow Field.





BARRACKS NEWS



The medics went on a 5 hr. hike that turned out to be practically an obstacle race. They hit mud puddles and waded rivers until they hit top speed, and found themselves **LOST**. Sgt. Collins did a "Tarzan" up a tree and sighted civilization, so back they came safe and sound - But next time they're going to drop pills to keep their bearings.

The Rec. Hall, T-6, is sporting new chairs, reading lamps, tables, and a new collection of books for liesure moments. Our heartiest thanks to the Citizen's Committee for the Army and Navy of Boston for it's untiring efforts.

The beckoning hand of Officers Training School has reached out for Sgt. Ralph Smith Cpl's R. Robinson & Ed. J. Walsh, Pvt's. Henry Blizzard & Lester Goldberg. The last two have just been made Cpl's

Several of the Dow Field men were at the Penobscot

Hairdresser's Dance at the Bangor House last Sat. nite. We're expecting them to break out in a new "hair-do" any minute now.

Two fine performances were given at the Rec. Hall, Tues. night by SANTINI, world famous magician, and Miss Yvonne. Preceding each performance a short band concert was given by the Dow Field Band. A record attendance was on hand to witness the cleverness of SANTINI, and it is hoped a return engagement may be arranged for the benefit of those who were not able to see this fine show.

Pvt. Tom Sorrel married in Burlington, Vt. Tom was altar boy at Pvt. McNally's wedding at the base--must be catching.

Adding another stripe to their sleeves to become Sgt's. are Cpls. William Summerhill, Douglas Salisbury, Archie Parlee and Irwin Swineheart. one more step up--Sgts.

All enlisted men interested in forming a small symphony orchestra are requested to meet with Sgt. Liljestrand in the Rec. Hall T-6, Mon. June 29, at 6 PM. This group will be an off-duty organization and plans will be discussed at the meeting

SPECIAL SERVICE OFFICE
The Special Service Office, located in headquarters Bldg. is a bee-hive of activity lately: planning and arranging events of interest to all personell at Dow Field. Coming events planned by the S.S.O. include a concert by the Dow Field Troubadors', swing dance band (second of the military band), scheduled for Mon. night at the Rec. Hall at 8 PM., followed on Tues. nite by movies and lecture given by Mr. Joseph Stickney of the Maine Wild Life Research Program. Way in advance is the next USO Camp Shows Production "Hot for Harlem".



NEWS OF THE OFFICERS

Maj. Dow is now assigned as base engineer here at Dow Field. Lt. G.A. Ormiston is new 7th A.B. Supply Officer. A highspot of the social season was the officers' dance held Thurs. nite. A committee headed by Capt. Nelson made the party an overwhelming success. Lt. Horowitz credited with a classic poem on Lt. Comiskey's foot locker. This paper will print the complete poem if enough requests are received.

Both of our Chaplains seem to have the fishing fever. Report has it that Chaplain Fellows, with Capt. Nelson and Lt. Ames, had a bit of luck at Phillip's Mon. but his companions seemed to major in sun fish.

Lt. C.A. Dick, Jr. has been appointed examining officer of the Base School Classification Office. The boys at T-23 have already CLASSIFIED him as one swell fellow.

Lt. J. Edgar Caswell, newly

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Pvt. N. D. MacLean, Asst. Editor.

assigned to Dow Field, now heads the Post Theatre and is also the Assistant Special Service Officer. Lt. Ca is also trying to organize a soft ball team for the officers.

Welcome to two new Comm. Officers to the 7th A.B. 2nd Lt. J. Kelly and 2nd Lt. L.F. Licht



THE Chapel Spire

1st Lt. JOHN P. FELLOWS
PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN
SERVICES:

10:00 AM SUNDAY
8:30 AM WEDNESDAY

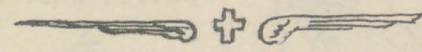
1st Lt. ALFRED J. CARMODY
CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN
MASSES:

6:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM
SUNDAY, 7:30 AM DAILY

Catholic Confessions at 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. and
7:30 to 9:00 P.M. Saturday, & before each Mass

Chaplain Fellows announces that Daily Worship Services will be from 8:30 to 9:00 AM with communion.
Choir rehearsal will be held on Wednesday at 6:30 P.M.
Sunday of this week, the choir under Pfc. M. Levine will sing the Crusaders' Hymn (Beautiful Savior), and a Negro Spiritual entitled "It's Me, Oh Lord" as special music - This week's ten minute sermon by Chaplain Fellows will be "The Anger of the Lord".
Early morning of this week a Catholic Mass and Protestant Service was celebrated in the Chapel by Chaplain Carmody and Chaplain Fellows for the officers and men of the 97th Bomb Group commanded by Major Tibbetts.

Chaplain Carmody adds a reminder that Friday, July 3rd, is the first Friday of the month - Masses will be at 6 & 7:30 AM.
Confessions will be heard Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 P.M., and in the evening from 7 to 8 P.M.
S/Sgt. Robert E. Rusboldt of the 1st Fighter Group, Headquarters Squad, of Harvard, Ill. was united in marriage to Miss Delma B. Friend of McHenry, Ill. A Nuptial Mass was celebrated at 9:00 A.M. June 23, at the Base Chapel, by Chaplain Carmody. The ceremony was witnessed by Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas E. Beresford.
Pvt. Fred Smart has been named as assistant to Chaplain Carmody at the Base Chapel.



COLONEL QUIZ ASKS



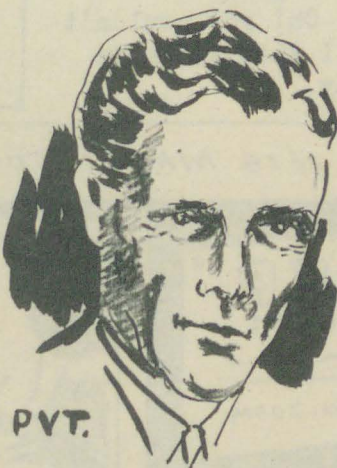
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1. Father of his country?
2. Father of the American Navy?
3. Father of the Constitution?
4. Father of American Independence?
5. Father Abraham?

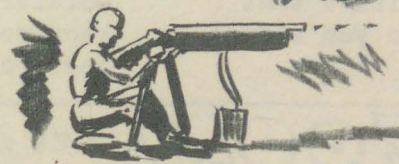
ANSWERS ON
THE BACK PAGE!

DOW FIELD'S

POST PERSONALITIES



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ARTHUR GILHOOLEY



2ND HIGHEST AWARD
IN THE 5TH
REGIMENT



7 MEDALS

SHOOTING EXPERT

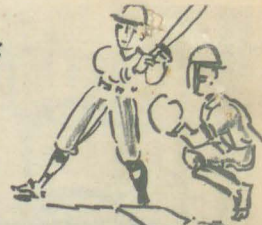


- RIFLE
- SMALL BORE
- MACHINE GUN
- REVOLVER
- RIFLE
- AUTOMATIC
- PISTOL

BAYONET EXPERT TOO!



SPORTS SECTION



SUNDAY GAMES - BASEBALL

The 7th Air Base Ind's. walloped the 754th Ord. at the Union St. Field to the count of 14-4. Pvt. H. Flint batted 1000-including a homer for the 7th, while Pvt. Maxwell, catcher, did the batting honors for the Ord. Pvt. Valera was on the mound for the 7th, while Ord. started Pfc. "Duke" Wellington for 5 innings. Sgt. Levenhagen winding up the game. Pvt. Cottier made some spectacular saves on 1st base that might have been overthrows.

Both Levenhagen and Cottier played baseball in the Southern Michigan League.

Co. K., 366th Inf., took the Sub Depot into a coup on a score of 6 to 5. On the mound for Co. K were pitchers Sgt. Ranies and Pvt. Fitzgerald - both doing a nice job. Sgt. Russell completed the successful battery. Pvt. Johnson was hit by a pitched ball but no injury resulted. For the Sub Depot, Sgt. Helson threw the fast ones with Sgt. Sturkie on the receiving end.

The 851st Signal Corps vs. Med. Det. game was cancelled.

SOFTBALL

754th Ord. supplied plenty of fireworks in their game with the Med. Corps - the Score - 16 to 7. Sgt. "Hank"

Hoffman shot over 12 strikeouts with catcher Pvt. Le Blanc holding on to the home ones. Sgt. Bill Luehm, star outfielder - made three "circus" catches that were practically sure hits. Cpl. Bob Shortledge neatly snared many bad throws to 3rd base. At one point in the game the umpire lost the count of balls & strikes and the fans in one voice - set him right in no uncertain terms.

At Bass Park the Med.'s worked over the 754th Ord. to take the contest 5 -2. Batteries for the Med. Det. were Diaco and Mullen against Sgt. Levenhagen and Jazoks for the Ord.



KNAKI KOMICS

A new twist to an old gag--
Who was that lady I saw you
outwit last night?

Drill Sgt: "Those who know nothing about drill kindly stand." After a pause one soldier stood up. Sgt. So, you know, nothing 'eh? Soldier: it isn't that but I hated to see you standing there alone.



Guard: Who goes there?
Soldier: Oh? you wouldn't know me I just got here yesterday.

HOW TO IDENTIFY



Insignia

SIGNAL CORPS

Two crossed flags with a flaming torch in center.

COLONEL QUIZ SAYS

1. George Washington.
2. John Barry.
3. James Madison.
4. Samuel Adams.
5. Abraham. Lincoln.

PRIVATE ZOOM TRIES HIS MAGIC TOUCH

GEDEN

