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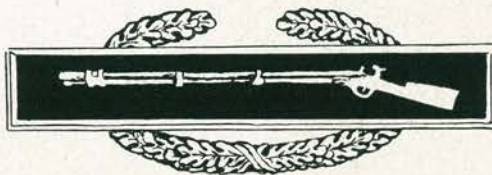
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180th INFANTRY

A Regiment of the
45th INFANTRY DIVISION



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Dedicated

To those men of the
180th Infantry Regiment
who died to give humanity
another chance

TO THE MEN OF THE 180TH INFANTRY...

You well may look back upon the past record of the Regiment with pride. Your achievements, your sacrifices, your devotion to duty and to your country has written a never to be forgotten page in the history of the Regiment.

To those of our comrades who fell on the way we can say that they did not give in vain.

It has been my good fortune to have under my command officers and men whose bravery and devotion to duty, under the most trying of circumstances, never faltered. I wish to congratulate each and every man of the 180th Infantry Regiment for his contribution to our success and to thank you for your whole hearted cooperation.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Everett W. Duvall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

EVERETT W. DUVALL
Lt Col, Infantry Commanding



Lt. Col. Everett W. Duvall

Commanding Officer 180th Infantry

FORMER REGIMENTAL COMMANDERS

Brig. Gen. Robert L. Dulaney

October 8, 1943—January 9, 1945
Southern Italy, Anzio, Southern France
and Alsace

Col. Forrest E. Cookson

June 12, 1942—October 8, 1943
Sicily and Southern Italy



BRIG. GEN. ROBERT L. DULANEY
Former Commanding Officer 180th Infantry

It is an honor to pay special tribute to the brave and loyal soldiers who have served with the 180th Infantry Regiment. Their fine deeds and accomplishments have been recorded on the pages of history. They tell the story of a famous fighting unit which I am proud to have commanded.

This splendid regiment whose original members were patriotic Oklahomans, many with Indian ancestry, was at war's end in the European Theatre a group representing all sections of our country. I ask all present and past members to join me in an everlasting salute to those who have gone before us - those gallant men stricken on the field of battle. Their loved ones will be forever grateful to the devoted members who are responsible for publication of this history.

My greatest pleasure would be to maintain a lifelong personal tie with all 180th Infantrymen.

ROBERT L. DULANEY
Brigadier General, United States Army

Austria, 1 June 1945

READY IN PEACE OR WAR



A Brief History
of the 180th Infantry Regiment

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The 180th Infantry Regiment was organized as the Third Oklahoma Infantry during May, 1918, and was federally recognized as a National Guard unit on September 3, 1918. The unit was redesignated as the 180th Infantry on October 14, 1921.

Units of the regiment were called into state service many times since its organization. In civil disturbances, flood disasters, and other emergencies they performed their ordered duty with credit, thus demonstrating the living reality of part of the regiment's motto, "Ready in Peace or War".

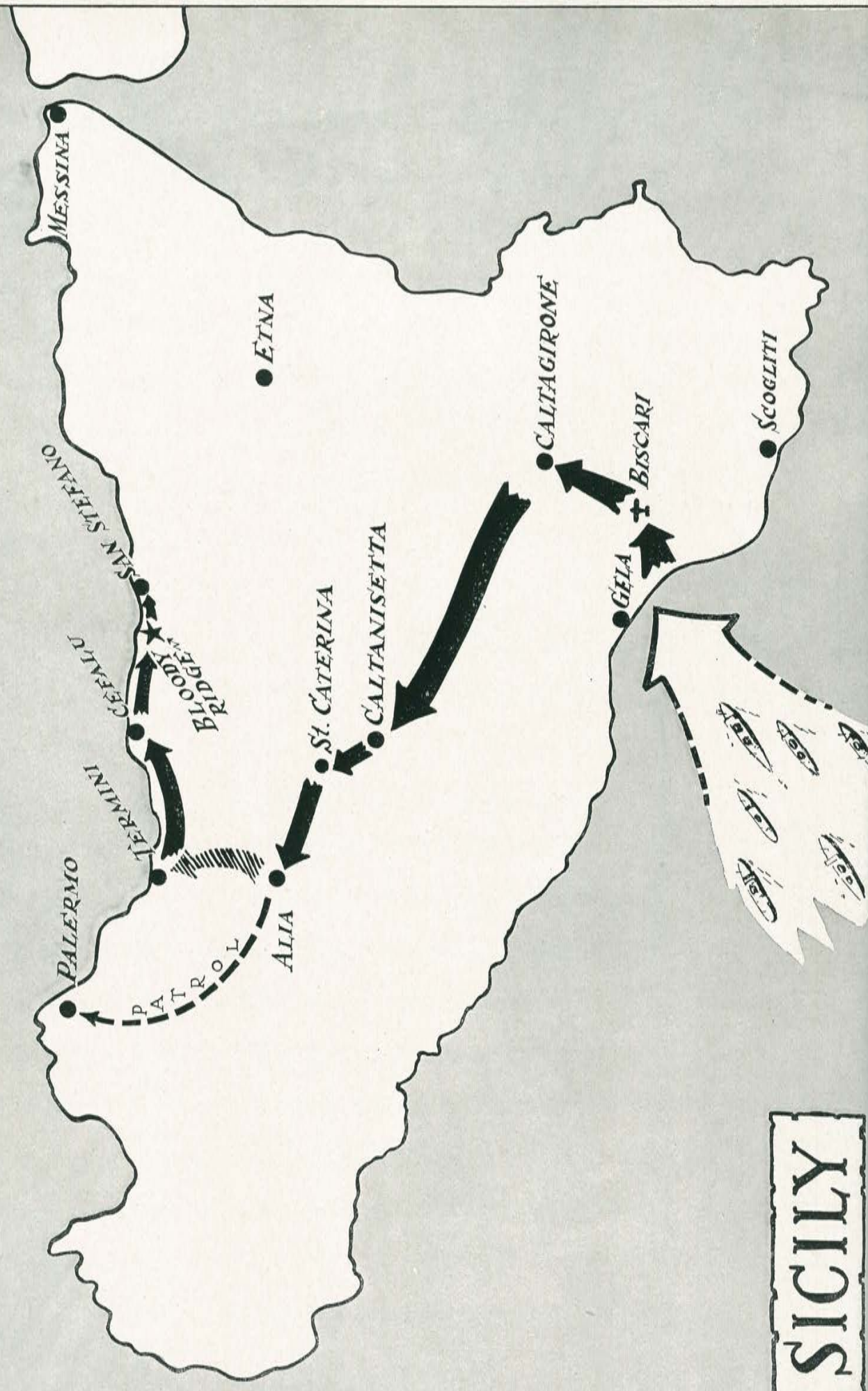
It is interesting to note that the year 1938 found Hitler taking his first toll from the 180th Infantry of the 45th Division. Up to that time the insignia had been an Indian swastika. This close resemblance to the symbol of Nazi Germany constituted a source of embarrassment on several occasions. The Thunderbird was substituted for the swastika.

The 180th Infantry was ordered into Fort Sill, Oklahoma, as a component part of the 45th Division, on August 31, 1940, and was inducted on September 16th, reporting as a unit to Fort Sill on September 25th. From Fort Sill, the

regiment moved to Camp Barkley, Texas, where it participated in the 1941 Louisiana Maneuvers. By May of 1942, the regiment was at Fort Devens, Mass, where it experienced its first amphibious training, along with a rigorous conditioning program. The winter months of 1942 were spent at Pine Camp, New York, where the men underwent weather conditioning. The regiment then engaged in mountain training and amphibious operations at Camp Pickett, Va., from January, 1943 to May 25th, when it departed for Camp Patrick Henry. On June 4, the regiment embarked, leaving the U.S. on June 8th, and arriving in the vicinity of Oran, North Africa, on June 21, 1943.

The history of the 180th Infantry Regiment since coming overseas is a long and intricate story. Therefore, it is necessary to limit this account to an outline of a few of the regiment's accomplishments. For the sake of convenience this history is divided into six parts, namely, the First Battle Star, or the Sicilian Campaign; Battle Star Two, or that period during which the 180th Infantry Regiment fought in the mountains of Southern Italy; Battle Star Three, the Anzio Beachhead, Battle Star Four, combat in Southern France, Battle Star Five, the Rhineland, and finally Battle Star Six, combat in Germany, through the fall of Munich and the collapse of all German resistance.

SICILY



SICILY

BATTLE STAR



On July 10, 1943, the 180th Infantry Regiment made its debut into the war when it landed at H-Hour in the vicinity of Biscari, Sicily. For three bitter days the regiment fought against elements of the crack Hermann Goering Division until it captured the town and airport of Biscari, thus enabling our forces to secure an air base for future operations. Pushing on from the airport, the doughboys of the 180th seized Caltigironi, Sicily's largest inland city and a Facist stronghold, and then continued their advance so rapidly that by July 22nd, a patrol from the I & R platoon of the regiment entered Palermo in advance of other American forces. From Palermo the advance swung east along the coastal road between Cefalu and San Stefano. In most places the attacking troops were faced by the sea to the immediate left; in the center and just above the sea a narrow coastal road, while to their immediate right jagged cliffs and mountains hemmed them in. Under constant German artillery fire and counterattacks, the regiment advanced to the junction of the coastal highway and the road leading south of San Mauro. It was here that the



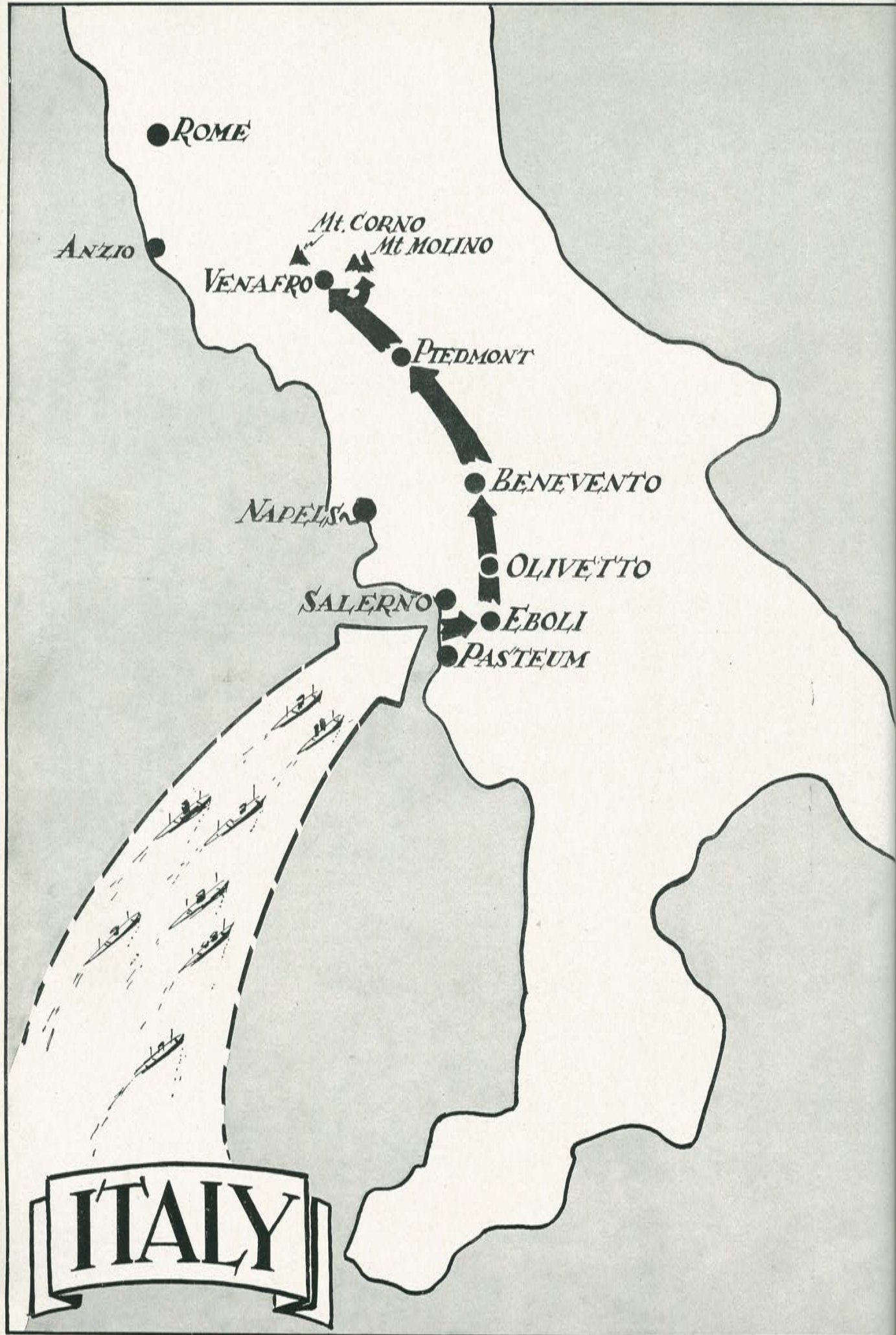
Captured photograph of German Machine gun Nest in Sicily

coastal town of Castel Di Tusa was seized and the Battle of "Bloody Ridge" fought. It was the successful seizure of this coastal road, one of the main approaches to Messina, that contributed to the early fall of that Sicilian seaport, and the conclusion of the campaign.

The Sicilian Campaign was characterized by stiff German resistance, with little or no opposition from the Italian troops. It was here that the regiment acquired experience both in amphibious and mountain operations which was invaluable in future operations.



Civilians demonstrate upon the entrance of American troops into Palermo Sicily



● *ROME*

ANZIO ●

Mt. CORNO
Mt. MOLINO

● *VENAFRO*

● *PIEDMONT*

● *BENEVENTO*

NAPLES ●

○ *OLIVETTO*

● *SALERNO*

● *EBOLI*

● *PASTEURUM*

ITALY

SOUTHERN ITALY

BATTLE STAR



On September 10, 1943, the regiment landed at Paestum, in the vicinity of Salerno, Italy, where they acted as security against any possible enemy counterattacks from the flanks or sea. Once the beachhead was secured the regiment turned inland and advanced toward Oliveto, where it surprised the enemy by attacking at his strongest and most fortified positions. (The doughboy refers to this engagement as the "Battle of the Aqueduct".) Upon seizing the town, the regiment was relieved, but only long enough to regroup itself for an attack on San Angelo Di Lombardi. Heavy rains, blown out bridges, mountainous terrain, and heavily mined roads presented problems which at times seemed insurmountable, but in characteristic manner, the regiment took its objective.

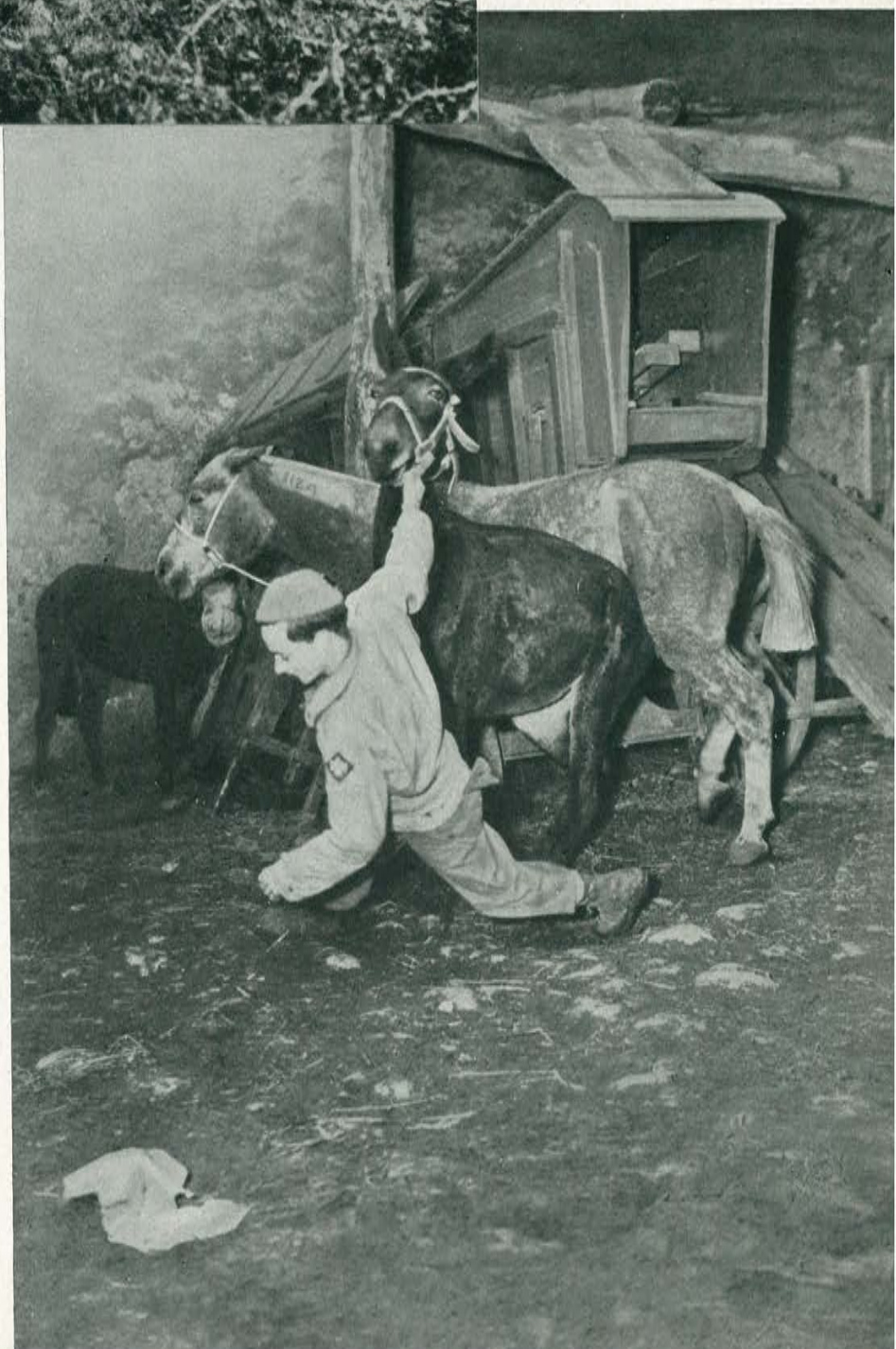
Moving northward, the regiment crossed the Calore River and played an important part in the crossing operations of the Volturno River. Once across, the regiment advanced towards Venafro and Mt. Corno. These battles, covering a period of 35 to 40 days, were known as "the days of mud, mules, and mountains". Battling the cold

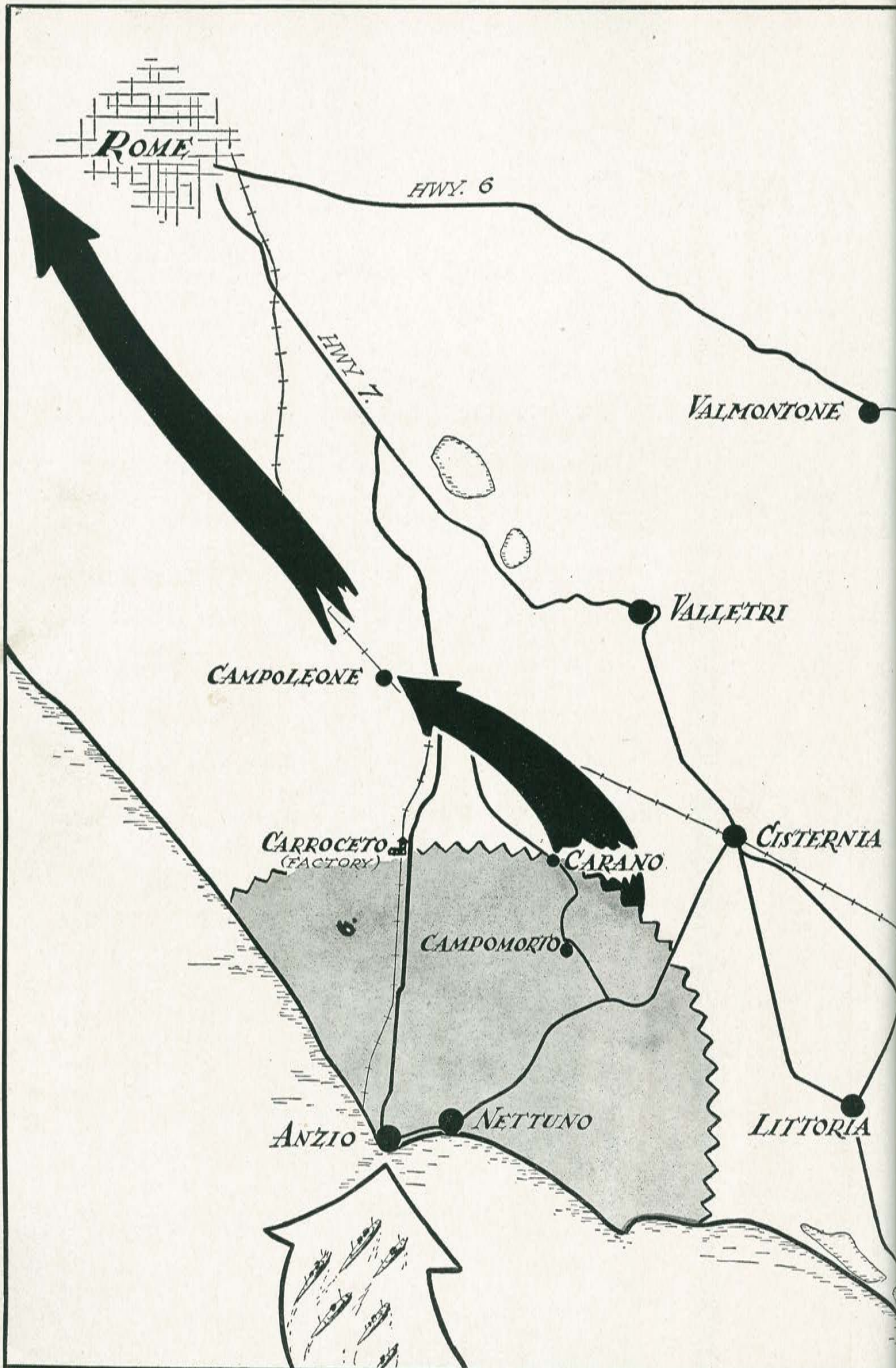


Advancing towards Venafro

wet weather, fatigue, and tortuous mountain trails, too steep and winding for jeeps to pass, was difficult enough, but with the Germans' fanatical resistance and the introduction of the "screaming meemie", it seemed almost impossible to take the town and the mountain. Yet, the objectives were taken and the regiment continued to advance in the vicinity of Mt. Molino. After 119 days of combat, the regiment was relieved on January 3rd, after spending both Thanksgiving and Christmas "on the line". Battle Star Number Two had been added to the regiment's theater ribbon.

**MUD
MULES
AND
MOUNTAINS**





ANZIO

BATTLE STAR



The period from January 30, 1944, to the liberation of the City of Rome early in June, has been written with the "blood and guts" of many a soldier from the 180th Infantry Regiment. The horrors of the Anzio Beachhead, the stopping of the German counterattack in mid-February, plus the long weary months of incessant shelling and animal-like living, have been so publicized that it is needless to write more. Nevertheless, it should be mentioned that it was during the period from February 16th through February 18th, when the Germans made their all-out effort to push the American and British forces back into the sea, that Company G earned its Presidential Citation for heroism and bravery.

From that dramatic week until the final push that broke the German line, everyone moved underground at Anzio. Names such as "Photo Joe", the lone enemy reconnaissance plane, "Popcorn Pete", the name given to the planes that dumped load on load of personnel bombs on front-line troops, and the famous "Anzio Express", the huge railway gun that pounded the beachhead at regular intervals, all became part of the daily routine.

Life at the front consisted of constant patrolling, to scout out the enemy lines. Meanwhile, large supplies were being stored up on the beachhead for the big attack. At last, on May 23rd, the regiment launched its attack along with other units of the 45th Division. Against direct tank and artillery fire, the doughboys pulled out of their four month old foxholes and pushed their way toward Rome. By June 4th they had crossed the Tiber River, and by June 6th had secured their objective north of Rome. This was Battle Star Three.



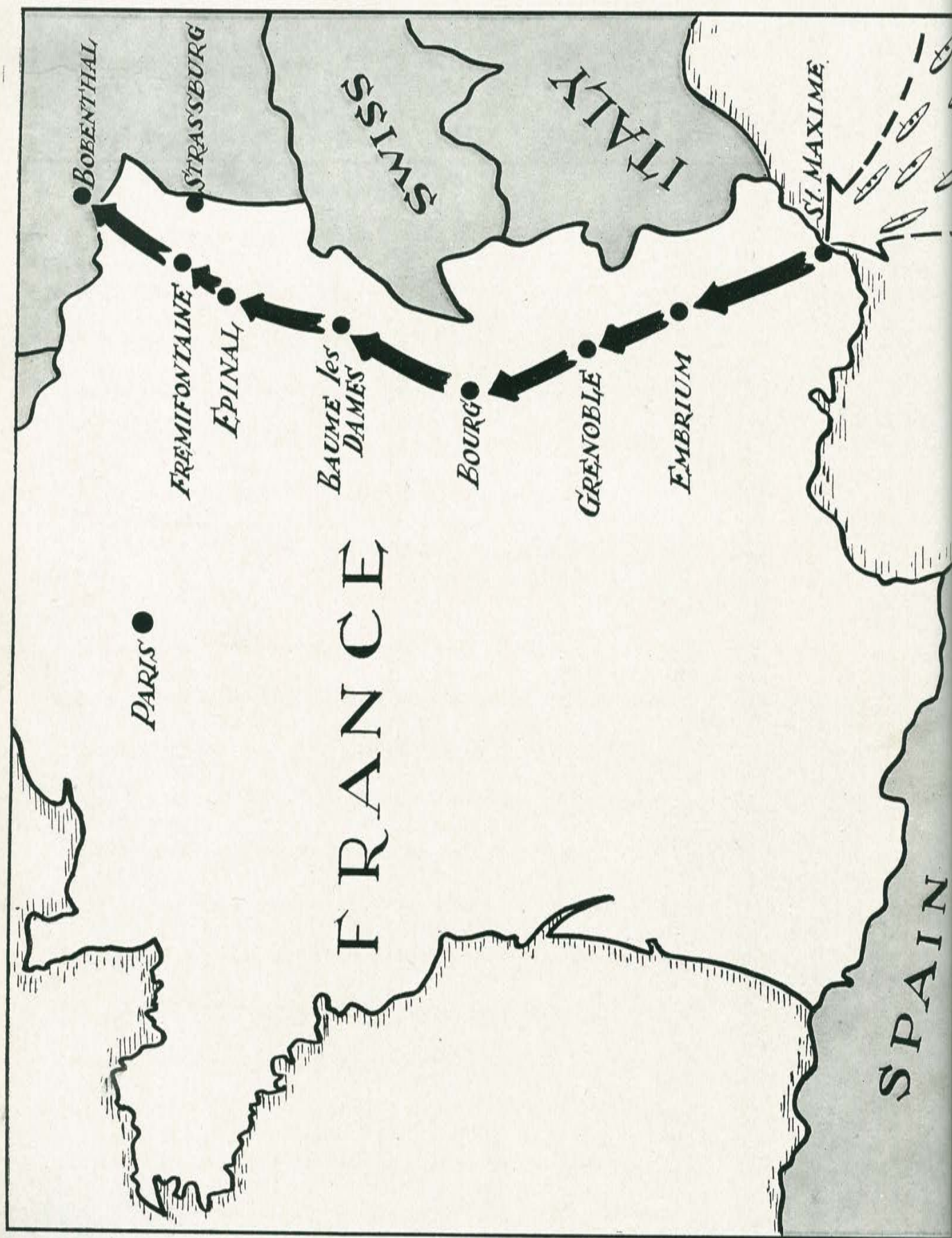
Jump-off from the Anzio Beachhead for Rome



"With Gods help, we shall carry on the task which they began." General Mark Clark, Memorial Day 1944, Anzio.

German howitzer firing from the high ground overlooking the Anzio Beachhead





SOUTHERN FRANCE

BATTLE STAR



On August 15, 1944, the 180th Infantry Regiment landed near St. Maxime, France, and launched its attack on "Fortress Europa". While one battalion cleared the coastal road and beaches of enemy, two battalions raced inland to tie up with the paratroops who had been dropped in the vicinity of Vidauban. From then until the close of the period for Battle Star Four, the action was mostly of a Task Force nature. On August 20th, the battle of Peyrolles was fought, and the race to the north was begun. Mounted on trucks, the regiment raced through Gap and Grenoble and struck toward its first large city, Bourg. It was at the approaches to this city that the enemy was routed, after a fierce fight at the town of Ceyzeriat. Once this resistance was overcome, the regiment advanced into Bourg, then quickly pushed ahead and crossed the Durance River. On September 7th, the regiment forced a crossing of the Doubs River and by the end of the next day, had liberated the town of Baume les Dames. Continuing its rapid advance, the regiment seized Rougemont on September 12th, and Villersexel on September 15th. Upon

being relieved by units of the 1st French Army on September 19th, the regiment made preparations to assemble in an area southwest of the fortress city of Epinal. Battle Star Four had been added to the regiment's theater ribbon.



Wreck and ruin in France



ALSACE

AND RHINELAND

BATTLE STAR



By September 21st, 36 days after landing in Southern France, the regiment was about to launch its attack on the City of Epinal, which high-lighted the fighting in France to that date.

The city itself is divided by the Moselle River and is the hub of a large network of communications, roads, and military defenses. It was defended by three battalions of infantry, reinforced by artillery, mortars and dual-purpose anti-aircraft guns. The river was a major obstacle, being 80 feet wide, with 20-foot vertical walls on either side. All bridges had been destroyed prior to the attempt to cross. All approaches were mined and booby-trapped, while strong roadblocks were covered by machine gun and rifle fire.

Despite the determined enemy resistance, and the fast-flowing Moselle River, Epinal was taken by the doughboys of the 180th Infantry on September 24th. By breaking through these fortifications, the regiment forced the enemy to abandon large stores of equipment, and it was able to start the partial breakthrough into Germany.



Chemical Mortar
barrage on an
Alsatian town

From Epinal, the regiment pushed on into the heavily wooded Vosges Mountains, last natural obstacle to Germany. Here for over a month, the regiment met fanatical enemy resistance. This, combined with the inclement weather and lack of rest, slowed the advance. Nevertheless, the Mortagne River was crossed and the regiment fought up to the outskirts of Raon l'Etape where it was relieved on November 9th.

Presentation of
Bronze Star Medals
by Lt. Col.
Everett W. Duvall
at Wimmenau,
Alsace

It is interesting to note that to this date the regiment had been in combat for 86 consecutive days, which at that time was a record for sustained combat.





Two foot bridges crossing the Blies River. Engrs. work on bailey bridge in foreground

After a 15-day rest, the regiment again was committed against the enemy. Passing through the Saverne Gap, previously secured by the French, the regiment protected the northern flank of the spearhead pushing towards Strassburg. Once this city was taken the attack proceeded north, and on November 30th, Pfaffenhoffen, western defense to the key city of Hagenau, was taken.

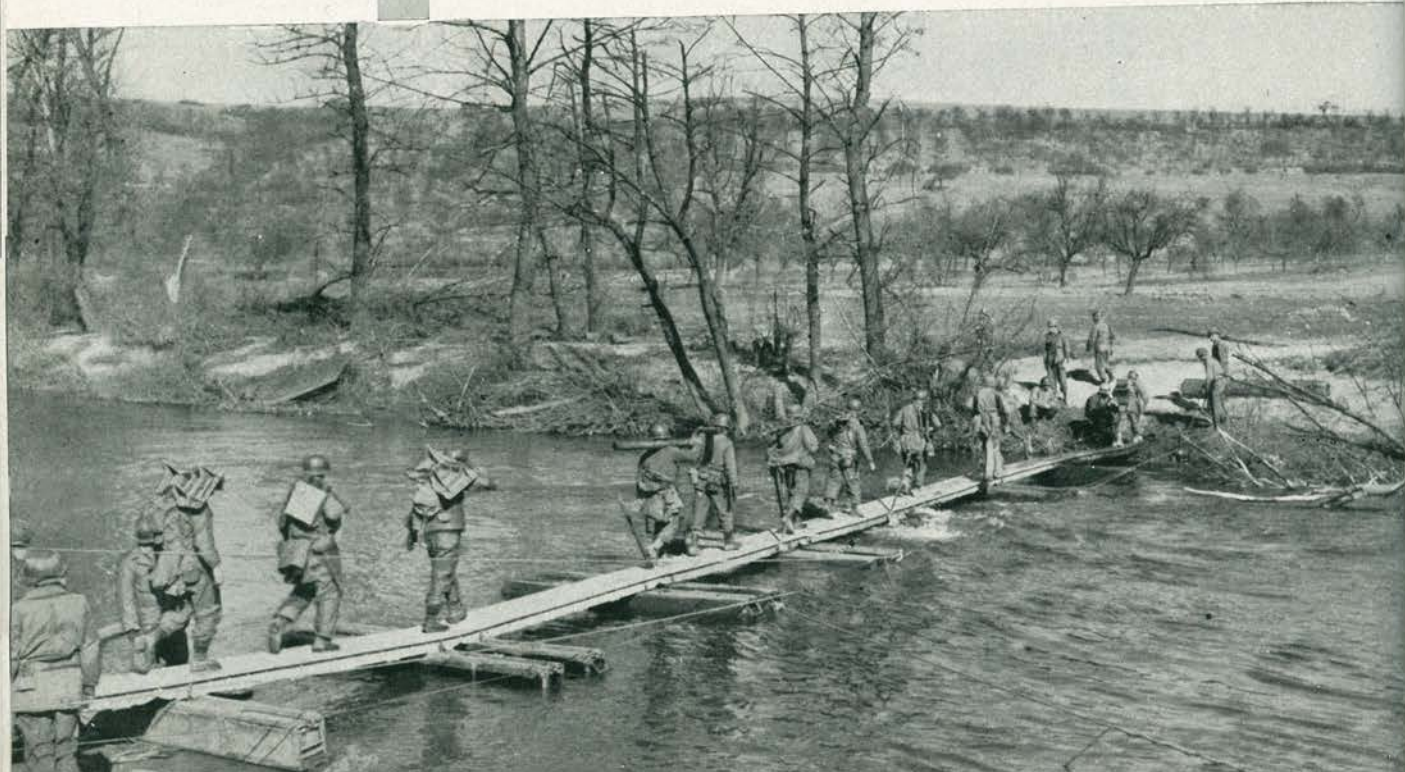
Continuing to advance, the regiment occupied Mertzwiller, Engwiller, Reichshoffen, and Gundershoffen, and hammered its way up to the German border.

On December 15, 1944, exactly four months after the regiment landed on the beaches of Southern France, Company L crossed the German border. This crossing was the first made by any unit of the Seventh Army. From then until January 2nd, the 180th Infantry battled the enemy in their Siegfried defenses. It was during this period that Company K earned its Presidential Citation for routing the enemy from their various fortified pillboxes.

Meanwhile a powerful German counterattack had broken through the American line south of Bitche, and threatened to push through to the Saverne Gap. On January 2nd, the regiment was ordered to withdraw from Germany and to proceed immediately to the southern-most point of the enemy thrust in the vicinity north of Erkartswiller. With characteristic speed and efficiency, the regiment moved to its sector, and on January 4th launched its counter blows. In snow and sub-zero temperatures, the enemy was pushed out of Wingen, Wimmenau, Wildenguth, and Reipertsweiler and a solid defensive line was built up. With the situation well in hand, the regiment was relieved on February 18th, having again added to its record a total of another 86 consecutive days in combat.

After a month of intensive river-crossing training and a general reorganization, the regiment assembled in the vicinity of Saareguemines, France, on March 14, 1945. At

180th Doughboys
launching offensive
into Germany



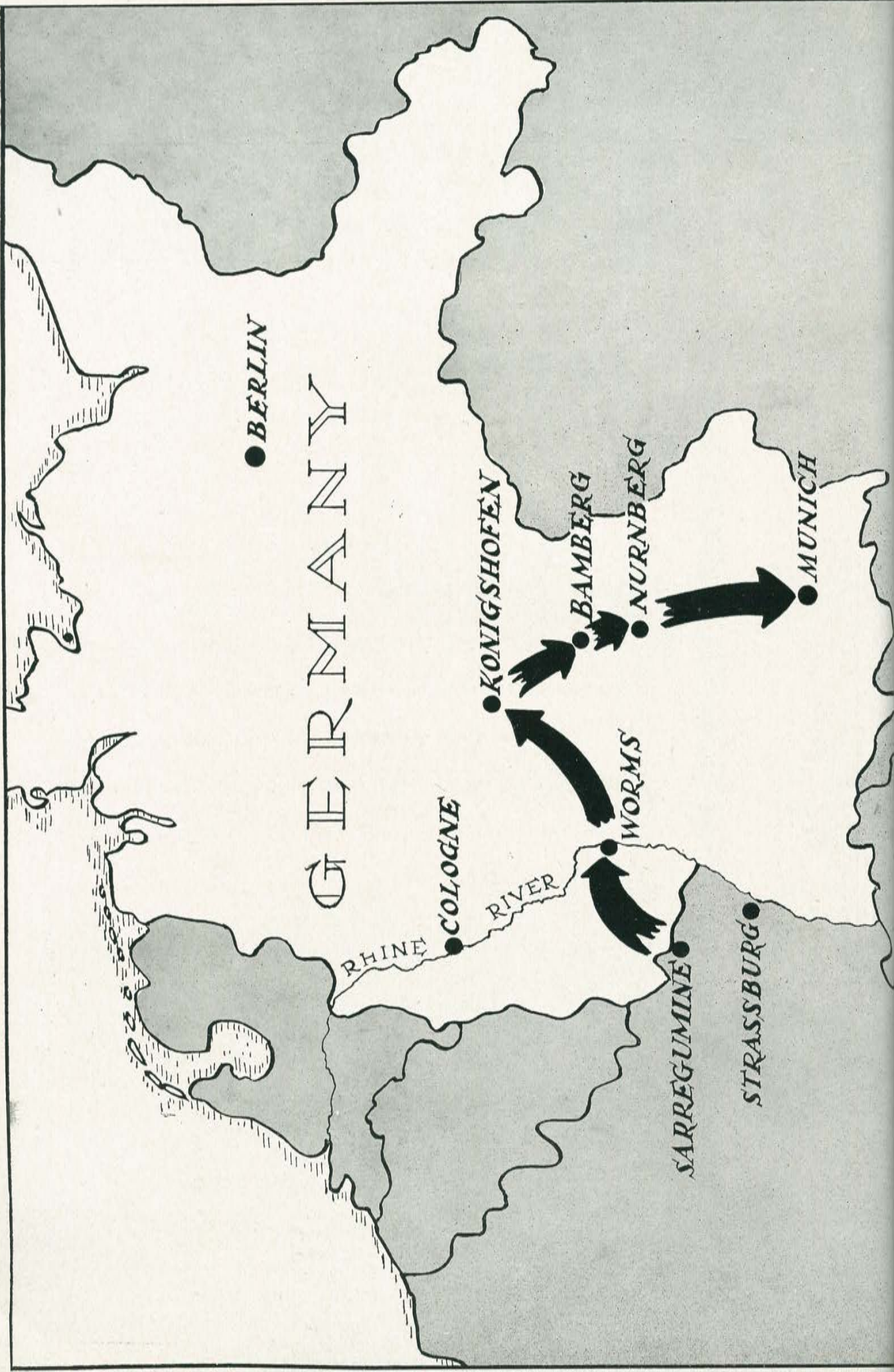


Artillery landing on hill overlooking Nieder-Wurzbach, keytown of Siegfried defenses

0100 hours, on March 15th, the regiment launched their attack against the strong enemy defenses. Crossing the Blies River under heavy machine gun and mortar fire, the dough-boys raced toward Nieder-Wurzbach, the key defense town of the Siegfried Line in their sector. By March 19th, the regiment had battered its way through the outer defenses of the Siegfried Line and was camped on the outskirts of this key center. The following day the town was seized and the regiment raced on to seize Kirkel. Taking advantage of the confused state of the enemy, the regiment pushed on, seizing Homburg, Kaiserslautern, and stopping only when it finally reached the Rhine.

Armor supports the infantry through the dragon teeth defenses of the Siegfried Line





GERMANY...

EAST OF THE RHINE

BATTLE STAR



After three days of regrouping and general reconnaissance of the area where the crossing of the Rhine was to be made, the regiment forced a crossing on the morning of March 26th.

By nightfall of the first day, the main highway running north and south had been cut, the beachhead across the Rhine was secured. Continuing to push northeast, the regiment seized Bensheim on the 27th, and by nightfall of the 28th, had reached the Main River. This time the doughboys crossed the river on the railroad bridge at the outskirts of Aschaffenburg and continued to attack the enemy, while other elements of the Division cleared the city of fanatical resistance.

From this point until the regiment reached Bamberg, the fighting was mostly of a delaying nature. Doughboys mounted on tanks, tank destroyers, and trucks, chased the enemy, stopping every so often to clear out pockets of resistance. At Bamberg the enemy made a stand, but the doughboys, after a two-day battle, forced the enemy back.



While engineers construct bridge across the Rhine, others ferry troops and equipment

The race was on again, but this time the prize was the Nazi Shrine of Nuremberg.

For many months prior to the regiment's assault on the city, the Air Force had bombed Nuremberg, destroying most of the city. When the garrison defending the city refused to surrender to the advancing doughboys, artillery preparations and "TOT's" completed the destruction of the few remaining buildings. Led by Deputy Gauleiter Karl Holz, the fanatical defenders set up 88 mm dual-purpose artillery and 20 mm flak guns at all strategic points in the city. This, combined with self-propelled fire, mortar, machine gun, panzerfaust, and rifle fire, presented a stubborn defense.

Nuremberg was captured, but only after it was taken block by block in some of the most difficult fighting the regiment had ever participated in. Infantry supported by tanks and tank destroyers methodically blasted the stubborn defenders from their positions. As the attack progressed, and when the SS and Gestapo defenders were killed, the Wehrmacht defenders began to surrender in large numbers. By 2215 hours, on April 20th, the city was completely in the hands of American troops.

Once again the race was resumed, this time the objective was Munich, third largest city in Germany, and the largest German city to be attacked by American forces. The tactics employed in the attack were the same as those used in the attack on Nuremberg, but unlike Nuremberg,

German tanks captured before reconversion from gas to coal could be completed





Crossing the
Danube River

Munich did not offer too great resistance. With the exception of the fanatical resistance offered by SS troops at the SS College, Munich defenders fell quickly. In many cases white flags were flown from whole districts before our troops had cleared it of enemy. Reports from prisoners and civilians intimated that the city itself had surrendered, and only the die-hards made a battle necessary. Munich fell on the 1st of May, and with its fall, the 180th Infantry Regiment concluded its combat in the European Theater of Operations. Battle Star Number Six had been added.

For a period of 22 months, the 180th Infantry Regiment participated in all types of combat, including amphibious assault landings, attacks on fortified areas, river crossings, pursuit and defense. This combat took place in all conditions of terrain and weather, and the uniform success is a tribute not only to the outstanding qualities

of leadership of its three Commanding Officers, Col. Forrest E. Cookson, Brigadier General Robert L. Dulaney, and Lt. Col. Everett W. Duvall, but also to the individual soldier who carried out the orders of his superiors, knowing that at times it meant certain death.



Victory Parade in Munich



Roll of Honor

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR

1st LT. JACK C. MONTGOMERY PFC. WILLIAM J. JOHNSTON
2nd LT. ERNEST CHILDERS

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE-CROSS

LT. COL. CHESTER G. CRUIKSHANK	CAPT. BENJAMIN BLACKMER
CAPT. MILTON JARROLD	CAPT. CLIFTON MC CLAIN, JR
CAPT. RODERIC G. MORERE	1st LT. CYRIL MURPHY
1st LT. JOHN B. MYERS	2nd LT. CHARLES A. BRANDT
2nd LT. JOHN H. HAYS	2nd LT. PAUL L. PETERSON
2nd LT. JACK L. TREADWELL	T/SGT. ROBERT O. ALEXANDER
T/SGT. BILLY MCMILLIAN	T/SGT. WALTER E. ROBINSON
S/SGT. JOHN C. GAZZETTI	S/SGT. TROY E. HOTTINGER
S/SGT. SALVADOR J. LARA	S/SGT. CHARLES W. SHIELDS
SGT. CHARLIE L. CASEY	SGT. EDWIN L. HURD
SGT. MILTON I. RUSSELL	SGT. MARTIN N. SCHRECK
CPL. CHARLES E. MACEK	TEC/5 SHERRILL LACKEY
PFC. BARRY CRANFILL	PFC. LLOYD C. GREER
PFC. JOHN KOZEJ	PFC. ALPHONSE LAUDATO, JR.
PFC. DOMINGO MARTINEZ	PFC. HENRY C. SALLEY
PVT. ALLEN LANGILLE	

LEGION OF MERIT

LT. COL. DANIEL K. AHERN	LT. COL. EVERETT DUVALL
MAJOR WILLIAM T. BROGAN	MAJOR KIRK A. MEADERS
CAPT. ROBERT C. CATES	CAPT. EARL M. COOPER
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T/SGT. WILLIAM SCHWEIKHARD	T/SGT. ARNOLD W. SMITH
S/SGT. FRANKLIN ADAMS	T/SGT. HENRY WEINBERGER
S/SGT. WILLARD BERGMAN	S/SGT. UEAL F. ALLEN
SGT. CHARLES F. LEEPER	SGT. MELVIN C. BROWN

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PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

COMPANY G, 180th INFANTRY

COMPANY K, 180th INFANTRY

DIVISION COMMENDATION

COMPANY I, 180th INFANTRY

REGIMENTAL COMMENDATION

COMPANY F, 180th INFANTRY

3rd PLATOON, COMPANY K, 180th INFANTRY

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE PLAQUE AND FIRST STAR

180th INFANTRY SERVICE COMPANY

FOREIGN AWARDS

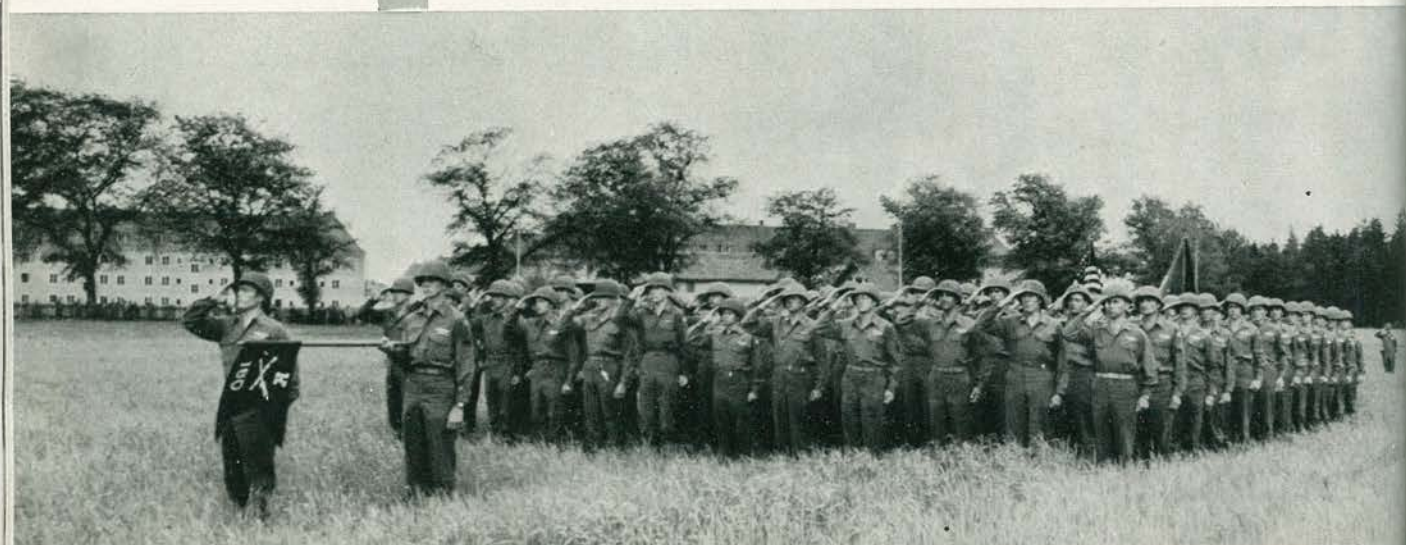
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COMPANY K AWARDED PRESIDENTIAL CITATION



"Present Arms"

Major General Robert T. Frederick, Commanding General 45th Division, fastens the Presidential Citation streamer on the guidon of Co K



Anzio Actions Win Ribbons For 45th Unit

By Bill Barrett

The commanding general stepped forward and fastened the battle streamer to the guidon of Co. G. Then, on the chest of each officer and non com he pinned the citation ribbon of the President of the United States.

Company G became the first Thunderbird company to be so honored. There were comparatively few men in the ranks who were there through the dark hours of February 16-18, and for a moment their minds went back to Anzio and their heroic stand that merited this high award.

They had been the reserve company for the battalion, and on the night of February 15 they were sent into the line to fill a gap between their regiment and another on the left.

The area was swampy, and as the men lowered themselves into their holes the water squished into their shoes.

It was quiet for awhile, quiet and cold. Then, in the early morning hours of February 16, the darkness and the quiet around them was ripped apart as the enemy laid in a vicious barrage of artillery and mortar shells.

The noise grew in intensity, and Co. G crouched under the heaviest barrage they had yet experienced.

At 4 a.m. the Jerries swarmed out over the flat terrain. There was a battalion of them, supported by tanks and artillery, and they came on like madmen. When one wave withered under the murderous fire of the Thunderbirds, another wave took up the attack.

From their holes the men of Co. G killed methodically. Their positions were exposed. The only natural cover was afforded by Ficocchia stream running southeast from their position, but they held their ground, driving the German hoard back with rifle and MG fire, bayonets, grenades and hand-to-hand fighting.

The attack continued through the day, and the rain of artillery and mortar shells continued to fall into Co. G. One man had been killed, two had been wounded and a number had been evacuated with trench foot. All but one officer had been evacuated.

Early the next day, 1st Lt. Benjamin A. Blackmer (now captain), South Dorset, Vt., was sent from another company to take command. He discovered that infiltrating Jerries had cut off the one covered route of approach but he reported that the morale of the men still was high.

The situation became more serious that night. The enemy again stormed the company front and infiltrated in large numbers down the left flank, left open by another unit which had been forced to withdraw. The second platoon was forced to withdraw 300 yards.

The Krauts had infiltrated down the right flank now, and less than two kilometers from the company CP, six German Mark VI tanks poured shells into the area. Enemy patrols were active on all sides.

At five a.m. of the 18th the Krauts again attacked. A reinforced battalion, again supported by artillery and tanks, struck the blow that was intended to drive beachhead forces back into the sea.

Shortly after this the orders to withdraw were sent from battalion to Co. G. The orders never got through because the Jerries had cut the creek line southeast of their position.

The company to the right withdrew under orders, and with them went the third platoon of Co. G who had received orders through the flanking company. Tank fire pinned the men down time and time again, but by putting up a stiff rear guard action, the Thunderbirds were able to withdraw to the main line of defense three kilometers to the rear.

Unaware of the orders to withdraw, Co. G grimly held on. By noon there were just 50 men left. All communications had been cut, and they were completely encircled. Ammo had dwindled to 10 rounds per man with one box of ammo per MG. Eleven rounds of mortar shells were left, but all grenades had been used.

But their fighting spirit was there, and Co. G fought on. At 2:30 p.m. on February 18, in an attempt to get out of the intense concentration of artillery fire that was often our own, Co. G reorganized 300 yards down the little stream. The withdrawal was covered by machine gunner Pfc. William J. Johnston, Colchester, Conn., who was later to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor for his valorous deeds here.

The outfit was prepared to hold here at all costs. All communications with battalion had been out since 5:30 that morning, but at four p.m., a company runner succeeded in penetrating the German strong points down the creek and reaching battalion. He brought back orders for immediate withdrawal.

It was only then that Co. G fell back. They waded through waist-deep water, fought through enemy strongpoints, put up a stiff rear guard action and reached the Beachhead Line at six p.m. February 18.

Defenses were organized, contact was made with flanking units and supplies brought up. Enemy shelling continued, and it rained for four days. But Co. G held.

The ribbon of the Presidential Citation is worn on the right chest. Those members of the company who actually participated in the February 16-18 battle may always wear the blue ribbon surrounded by a gold frame. Replacements leaving the company must return the ribbon they may wear as long as they are with Co. G.

The second battalion of another Thunderbird regiment was recently awarded a Presidential Citation for its stand in the Battle of the Caves.

ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY

Creek-Irish Infantryman Receives Top U.S. Award

NAPLES, April 12—Mix three-fourths Creek Indian and one-fourth Irish and you have a bronzed, black-haired infantryman who today received the Medal of Honor for gallantry and coolness under intense enemy fire back in the early days of the Italian campaign.

The Salerno beachhead was only two weeks old on Sept. 22 when 2nd Lt. Ernest Childers was receiving treatment for a fractured instep at a first aid station near Oliveto. A runner told him that his battalion was pinned down by heavy German machine gun and mortar fire from positions to the front and left flank. Although a medical officer warned Childers that further treatment was necessary, he immediately returned to his unit and organized a party of eight enlisted men to advance against the Nazis.

The bare citation describing how the lieutenant led his men up a hill to the rock wall just in front of the concealed enemy machine guns could not, of course, describe the pain which stabbed Childers' leg at every step. But the dry official language read at today's ceremony did not obscure the danger he faced in advancing alone to the right of the enemy while his men covered him from the other side.

Moving forward along the edge of the cornfield beyond the wall, Childers was fired on by two German riflemen from a nearby house. He returned the fire with more accuracy than theirs, killing both of his attackers. Continuing his advance, he moved behind an enemy machine gun nest and killed its two occupants with his carbine.

A second machine gun nest was hidden from Childers' direct view but his ancestry had taught him some tricks not found in training manuals. He tossed a couple of rocks into the nest and his simulated grenades made the gunners stand up. Childers picked one off with his carbine and the other fell to one of the enlisted men covering the U.S. officer.

While the Germans wondered what manner of man was advancing under their increasingly heavy fire, Childers, still alone, captured a Nazi mortar observer in another house, partially "blinding" the enemy's power.

The wheels of officialdom ground slowly, but Childers was not forgotten. He was evacuated to Africa for medical treatment but rejoined the 45th Division before it landed at Anzio. One day last month, the 26-year-old former enlisted man opened two letters. The first informed him that he was to return to the United States on rotation, reason for celebration in its own right. But the second parlayed the good fortune—Childers was told to remain in Italy until he had received "a decoration." Not until yesterday did he learn—and then only by accident—that it was the Medal of Honor.

DEVERS AWARDS MEDAL

Today, Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean theater, hung the nation's highest military award around Childers' neck.

Now Childers is going home. "Good, I don't know which is better," he said after the ceremony. "Guess the medal is a bit higher, though," he reflected.

His first stop on setting foot in the U.S., Childers declared, will be a drug store—"any drug store"—where he can get a malted milk and a Coca-Cola. After that a trip to Meshoppen, Pa., will be in order. His fiancée, Miss Rose Syracuse, lives there.

Childers won his battlefield commission last August in Sicily. Then a first sergeant, he volunteered to lead a platoon in action and later was recommended for bars by his CO, the late Capt. John T. Comp-ton, Tulsa, Okla.

A Tulsa boy himself, Childers hopes to remain in the Army after the war. He'd like to join the Air Forces in some phase of mechanical work which he learned at the Indian school in Chillicothe, Okla.

ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY

Here Is Another Montgomery Who Knows About War

Under cover of darkness the Germans had established a strong point in a house in the division's sector and set up a machine gun on either side of the road leading to the building. About 50 Krauts were in the house and 12 more manned the two emplacements.

First Lt. Jack C. Montgomery, Sallisaw, Okla., and his platoon were on line 150 yards from the heavily fortified structure. The Oklahoman paved the way for his future actions by firing six rockets and 10 anti-tank grenades in an effort to soften up his opposition.

In reply the two Jerry machine guns sprayed the advancing platoon. Ordering his men to lay down a base of small arms fire to distract the Jerries, Montgomery grabbed an M-1, a carbine, and some hand grenades. Alternately crawling and rushing up a small ditch leading to the machine gun emplacements, the officer launched his single-handed attack by firing his weapons and throwing the grenades.

When he pressed forward into the nests, he found eight dead Krauts and four bewildered enemy who gave up.

Prior to his assault the platoon leader had called for artillery and tank fire on the house. After he polished off the machine gunners and the shelling had ceased, Montgomery sprinted across an open field toward the house, using his platoon to cover the approach. The Jerries traced his dash with artillery, mortar, and small arms fire.

Entering the house, the officer found eight dead Germans and 32 others, some of whom were wounded, all of whom were ready to give up to the intrepid and enterprising American. He returned with 32 prisoners.

Montgomery previously had been awarded the Silver Star for «gallantry in action Oct. 9, 1943, near Campolattaro, Italy.» On Sept. 11, 1943, he received a battlefield appointment to second lieutenant.

Machine Gunner Johnston Had More Than Guts, Gets Congressional Medal

Pfc. William J. Johnston, Colchester, Conn., 45th Division machine-gunner has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor "For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life and above and beyond the call of duty in action involving conflict with the enemy near Pagidllone on Feb. 17 and 18."

After thirty minutes of heavy artillery preparation on his position before daylight the 17th, Johnston a machine gunner, was first to observe and fire upon a strong enemy attacking force, causing them to withdraw. One Kraut worked up a draw close to his gun, Johnston drew a pistol and killed the German. A little while later, he spied a second assailant and grabbing a rifle from one of his companions, he quickly ended the Hun's advance.

When his comrade beside him was killed by sniper fire, Johnston

severely wounded the German and remained there firing until all his ammo had been expended. His friends had given him up for lost, but on the morning of Feb. 19, Pfc. Johnston slowly and painfully worked through the enemy lines to friendly troops, where he gave valuable and accurate information of the enemy's disposition. Thus the selflessness, willingness, and bulldog determination of Johnston aided immeasurably in halting a strong enemy attack. He so inspired his fellows that they fought and held a vital and important position against superior enemy forces.

He was evacuated to the United States where it is reported that the President will undoubtedly present him with the Medal of Honor.

Lest we forget...

These men have given their lives, that others may live

Abreu, Richard, Pvt.	Bastin, Russell, Sgt.	Brennan, John J., Pfc.
Adkins, Aubrey J., Sgt.	Baumgartner, Albert, Pvt.	Brett, Robert F., Pvt.
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Adkins, Robert J., Pvt.	Beard, Wilbern S., Sgt.	Britton, Charles J., Pvt.
Agnello, Rocco R., Sgt.	Beasecker, Robert E., Pvt.	Brown, Ambrose, S/Sgt.
Ahnert, Robert J., Pfc.	Beaver, Arthur J., Cpl.	Brown, Milton L., Sgt.
Aingell, YA-Ha-, Sgt.	Bechard, Raymond T., Pvt.	Brown, William A., Sgt.
Albarella, Frank C., Pvt.	Beck, George C., Pfc.	Brown, William M., Pfc.
Albergine, Richard S., Pvt.	Becker, John J., Pvt.	Browne, Robert M., Pvt.
Aldridge, Elwood F., Pvt.	Bemis, Lyle E., Pfc.	Bruno, William N., Pvt.
Alford, Warren, Pvt.	Benfield, Quinton H., Pfc.	Bryan, Carl Jr., Pvt.
Alder, Stanley C., Pfc.	Bennett, Paul A., Sgt.	Bryda, Emil E. Jr., Pfc.
Allen, James H., 2 Lt.	Benson, William E., Pvt.	Bryner, Clifford D., Pvt.
Allred, Willard T., Pvt.	Berens, Howard, Pfc.	Buck, James O., Pvt.
Almquist, Quinton, Pvt.	Bernat, Casimer, S/Sgt.	Buckley, Eugene W., Pfc.
Altomare, Eugene, Sgt.	Berube, Gerard L., Pfc.	Buczynski, Theodore, Pvt.
Amendolara, John, Pvt.	Berum, Nicholas, Pvt.	Bullard, Walter E., Pvt.
Ammirato, Carmine J., Pvt.	Betancourt, Aurelio J., Pfc.	Bunyard, Jeff, Cpl.
Anderson, George, S/Sgt.	Billings, Lester R., Pfc.	Burbank, Caleb, S/Sgt.
Andrews, Harold L., Pfc.	Binkley, Earl, Pfc.	Burge, Winford E., Pfc.
Angelastro, Michael, Pvt.	Biron, Leo P., S/Sgt.	Burnett, Francis E., Pvt.
Applegate, Cletis, Pfc.	Bishop, Charles A., Cpl.	Burrough, George C., Pvt.
Applegate, Herbert, Pfc.	Bittner, George, Pfc.	Burton, Bruce K., S/Sgt.
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Arino, Joe J., Pfc.	Black, Wilbert E., T/Sgt.	Byas, John C., Sgt.
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Atkins, Byron R., Pfc.	Bloom, Henry I., Pfc.	Caley, Paul E., Pvt.
Attridge, Thomas J., Pfc.	Bloomingdale, Joseph, Pfc.	Calkins, Robert L., Pvt.
Bacon, Raymond L., Pvt.	Blyer, Delmar W., Pfc.	Callico, Louis E., 2 Lt.
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Baker, Lester P., Pvt.	Bolen, Sterling, Pfc.	Campbell, Harry B., Pfc.
Ball, James E., Pvt.	Bon, Carroll B., 2 Lt.	Cannell, Leon G. Jr., Pvt.
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Barber, Dewey A., Pvt.	Bow, Clarence E., Pvt.	Carpenter, Charles E., Pfc.
Barcheski, Hillard M., Pvt.	Boyd, Hallie V., Sgt.	Carter, Jesse M., Pvt.
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Barnes, William D. Jr., Pfc.	Bracey, Bruce H., Pvt.	Caruso, John S., Pfc.
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Barringer, Clarence, Pfc.	Breich, Charles W., Pfc.	Casey, Earl S., Pvt.
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Cramer, Frederick L., Pfc.	Duffy, Elmore J., Pfc.	Fries, Valentine A., Pvt.
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Crosby, John, Pfc.	Dunn, Leon, Pvt.	Frost, Earl F., Pvt.
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Goldblum, Stanley, Pvt.	Havelka, John J., Pfc.	Jaramillo, Leopoldo, Pfc.
Goldstein, Meyer, Pfc.	Havely, Bruce L., Pvt.	Jarboe, James H., Pfc.
Golon, Walter S., Pvt.	Hawkins, Charlie H., Pvt.	Jaros, Louis, Pfc.
Gorham, Elton E., Pfc.	Hawkins, Tommy, 2 Lt.	Jarvis, Lee E., Pfc.
Gosnell, Everett C., Sgt.	Hayes, Wayne C., Pvt.	Jarzemba, Edward, Pvt.
Gottdank, Irving, Pfc.	Hays, John H., 2 Lt.	Jenney, Hilar C., Pvt.
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Grace, James J., Sgt.	Hegarty, Vincent J., Pfc.	Jobe, Jack, Sgt.
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Graham, Daniel J., Pfc.	Herman, Marvin W., Cpl.	Johnson, Norman G., Pvt.
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Granberg, Edward, Pfc.	Hibbs, Oral W., Pfc.	Johnson, Willis H., Pvt.
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Gray, George H., Sgt.	Hines, James H., Pvt.	Johnston, Frederick V., Pvt.
Gray, John A., Cpl.	Hiter, Merle J., Pvt.	Jojala, Sam, 2 Lt.
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Greenberg, Bernard, Pfc.	Hoetzel, Robert J., Pvt.	Jones, Ronald H., Sgt.
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Gregoire, Alfred E., Pfc.	Holsonback, Manning, Pfc.	Jurgelonis, Stanley E., Pvt.
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Gunner, William F., Pfc.	Horton, Edward G., Pfc.	Keaney, Paul J., Pfc.
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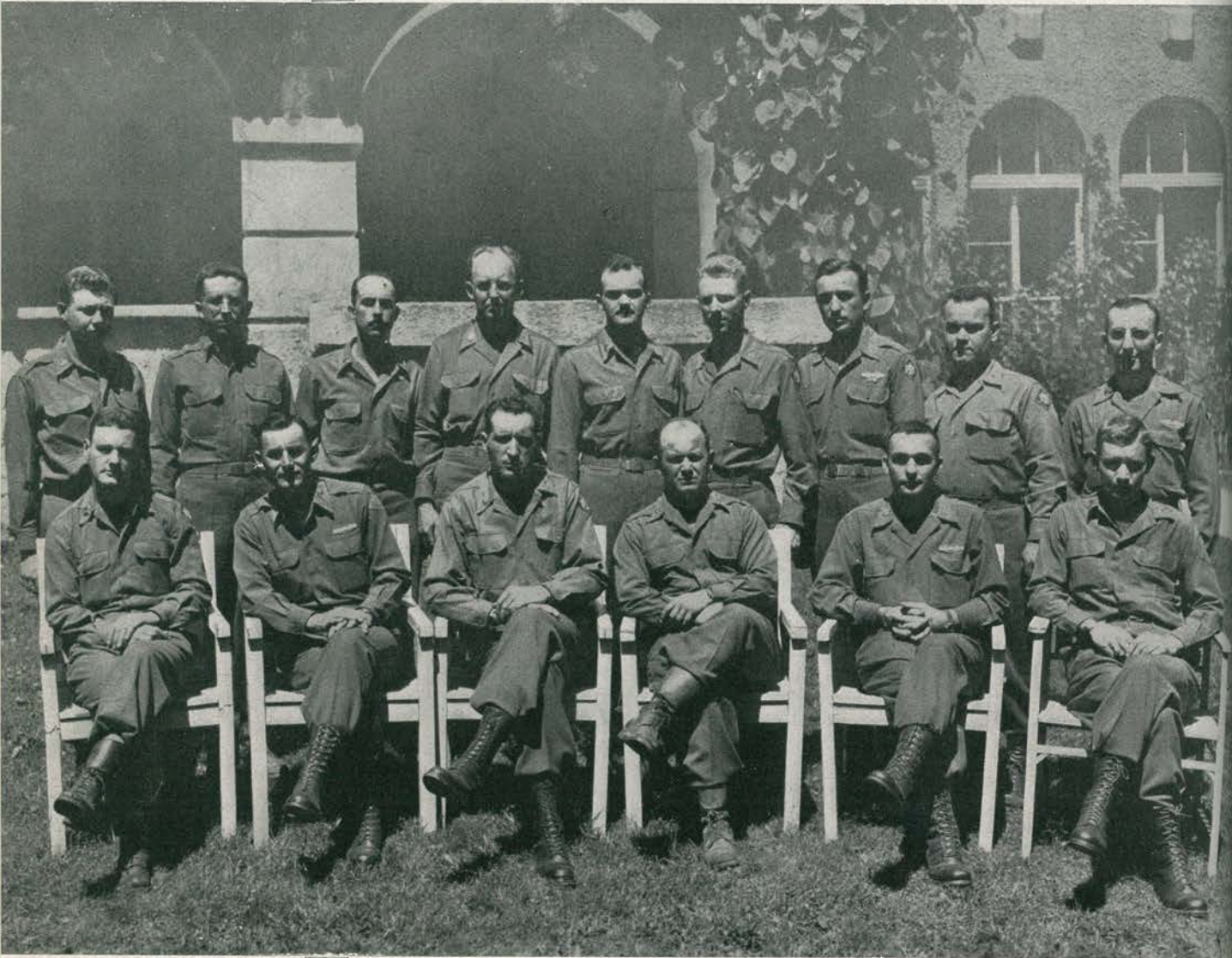
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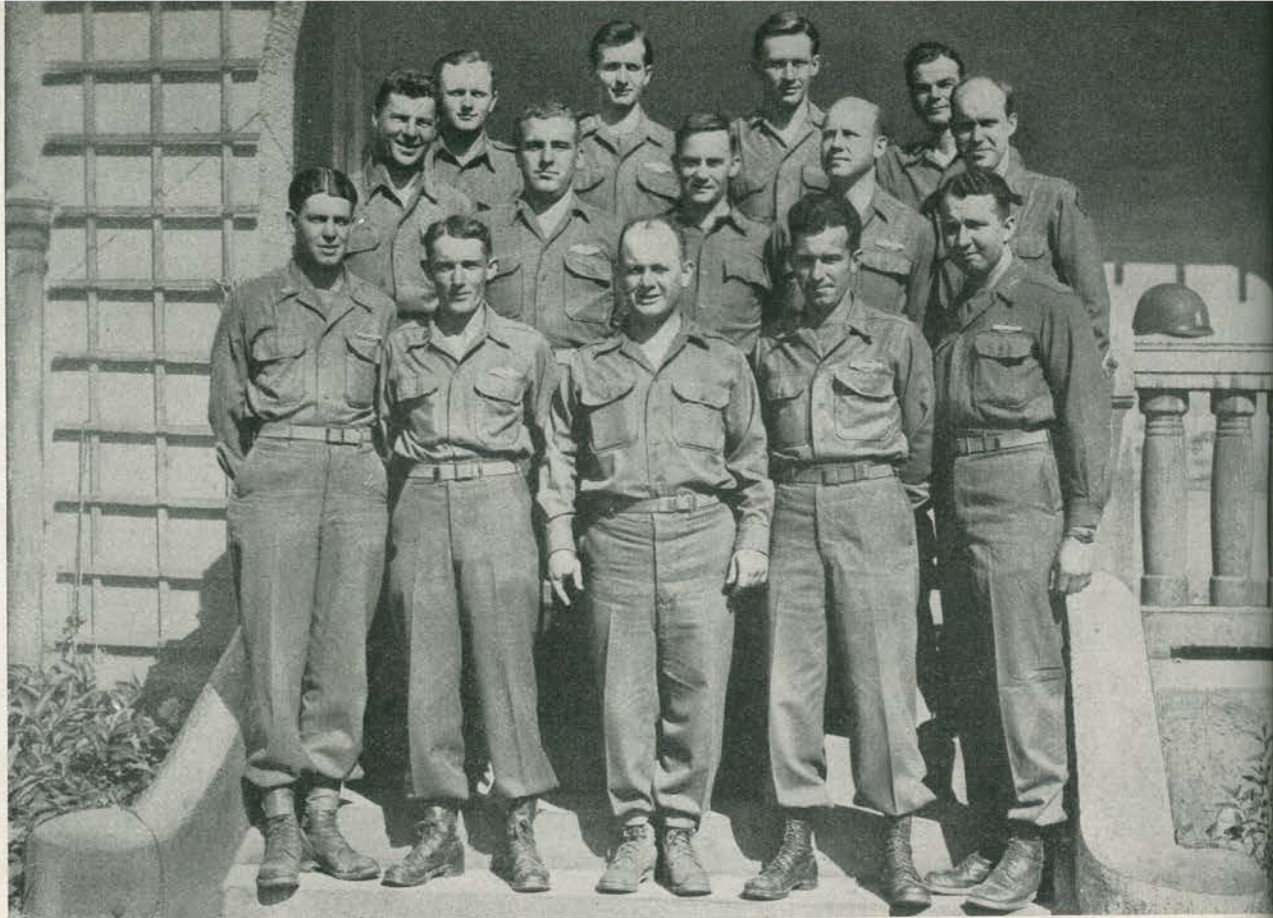
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 Capt. Albert L. Luger, Jr., Adjutant, Minneapolis, Minn.

2nd ROW

1st Lt. Wilson W. Fain, Asst. S-3, Canyon, Tex.
 Capt. Robert E. Headlee, Battalion Surgeon, Fort Worth, Tex.
 2nd Lt. Virgil P. Ashby, Anti-Tank Platoon Leader, Anderson, Ind.
 Capt. Harvey F. Bell, Chaplain, Macon, Ga.
 2nd Lt. Amel Anderson, M.A.C., Wagoner, Okla.
 1st Lt. Walter V. Thomas, Communications Officer, Muskogee, Okla.
 1st Lt. Cecil H. Buse, Transportation Officer, Tahlequah, Okla.



3rd BATTALION STAFF OFFICERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

1st Lt. Charles W. Lutman, Transportation Officer, Warsaw, Mo.
 Capt. Robert W. Boyd, Operations Officer, Monongahela, Pa.
 Lt. Col. Edward W. Bird, Commanding Officer, Ames, Iowa
 Major Shelby A. Satterfield, Executive Officer, Wagoner, Okla.
 1st Lt. Valerian Svoboda, Intelligence Officer, David City, Neb.

2nd ROW

2nd Lt. William D. Fillman, M.A.C., Muskogee, Okla.
 1st Lt. Lawrence C. Simpson, Supply Officer, Eufaula, Okla.
 2nd Lt. George L. Smith, Asst. Communications Officer, Ludington, Mich.
 Capt. Marcel J. Derouen, Adjutant, New Iberia, La.
 Capt. Norton R. Ritter, Battalion Surgeon, Baxter Springs, Kan.

3rd ROW

1st Lt. Russel Bridges, Anti-Tank Platoon Leader, Atlanta, Ga.
 1st Lt. John D. Rice, Asst. S-3, Portland, Ore.
 1st Lt. Edgar C. Forsberg, Communications Officer, Hudson, O.
 1st Lt. Robert P. Adamson, AP Platoon Leader, Waynesburg, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

Capt. Gerald Dougherty, Chaplain, Chicago, Ill.



1st BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. Fred M. Tannery, Commanding



Colonel Is Legend, Leads Night Patrols, Shoots Up Germans

By Norbert Salpeter

When in two weeks a soldier leads a battalion in an assault river crossing, when he spends most of his time making patrols with the men, when he accounts for four Germans in a pistol duel, that soldier becomes a legend in his outfit, no matter what his rank is.

Such a soldier is Lt. Col. Raymond F. Hufft, 1st Bn., 180th Inf., formerly with the Special Service Forces.

When the paddlefeet of the battalion pause after a tough engagement and sit around on a hill talking things over, they're likely to tell you "what the old man did last time up there."

Their latest story concerns the time the colonel went on a one-man recon patrol to find out what the Krauts had in a woods up ahead. Armed with a GI 45, Colonel Hufft disappeared into the forest. A short time later shots were heard, and a combat patrol set out to help the officer.

They found him calmly reloading his pistol. At his feet lay the four dead Germans who had tried to ambush him.

Colonel Hufft, who hails from New Orleans, always spends the night at the front, usually leading patrols. Coming in from one of these midnight recons, he was fired on by some of the men of his battalion.

"It wasn't their fault," explains the colonel. "In my old outfit, the SSF, we wore peaked caps similar to those the Krauts have. I was wearing mine when the boys fired at me. When their sergeant found out who I was, he cornered me, and told me in no uncertain terms to wear my helmet in the future. The sarge was right. All I could do was grin and take it."

Colonel Hufft is no rookie. He's been pounding away at the Japs in the Pacific and the Jerries over here for 33 months now. In addition to the Silver Star, he has been awarded the Bronze Star with two clusters. He joined the division just before the recent jump-off.

Impossible Story, Pfc. Commanded Battalion In Action

This is the sort of story any GI would laugh at in a magazine. Any GI knows it's impossible. Nevertheless, Pfc. Earnest M. Friedman, Carnegie, Pa., commanded the 1st Bn., 180th Inf., in battle at a crucial time and did an excellent job of it.

Normally, Friedman is a radio operator, and it was in that capacity he was accompanying the battalion commander. The CO was directing his units in an attack through a wooded area, and Colonel and Private were alone in their section of the woods.

The colonel explained his plan to Friedman as they went along, probably just to make conversation. Or it might have been this thing called "orientation". It was fortunate the conversation took this trend.

Suddenly a rifle cracked, and the colonel fell, wounded by a sniper. Friedman got to his knees beside his CO, knowing the sniper's rifle might speak again at any moment. The colonel unfolded the remainder of his plan of attack to the Pfc.

Still carrying his rifle, Friedman made his way over 500 yards of fire-swept terrain to a group of tanks, which he ordered into a position in support of one of the rifle companies.

"For the next half hour I felt like the old man himself", Friedman recalls. "The colonel had told me what to do when the reports came in. So I ran around from one company to another, ordering them to advance here, or fire there."

"But the best part of the whole deal was leading a platoon of tanks up to a spot where the machine gun and anti-tank defenses were that had hit the old man. The tanks wiped them out. From there we advanced to positions where we could best support the attack."

"Friedman helped materially to coordinate the movements of the leading elements and proved of invaluable aid", commented Capt. Jim D. Keirse, Durant, Okla.



Nuremberg Stadium where
the resistance was bitter

Last Big Fight Pitted 180th Inf. Against SS Men

When most of the rest of Muntch had been occupied and other troops were beginning to take it easy, 1st Bn., 180th Inf., was starting the toughest fighting it had seen since the Siegfried Line.

G-2 reports told them there were two battalions of SS men holed up in the old SS college and the only way to approach it was over 1,000 yards of open ground. To make the first battle bitter was their recollection they had passed through the 3rd Bn. the day before, and the 3rd had rounded up a thousand prisoners with practically no trouble.

The SSers were prepared to fight for their old alma mater. They had dug nice dugouts in the open field, where they could sweat out the shelling, then come out into trenches to fire on the advancing Americans. Their defense consisted of rifle, burp gun, machine gun and 88 fire at close range.

To assist A and B Companies in the assault, the 20th Armored Division contributed about a dozen tanks - and the men in them were in their third day of combat.

The morning's attack got under way with fire from our artillery, our 60 and 81 mm mortars and chemical mortars from 2nd Chemical Bn. The fire was not precisely adjusted, and the attack got nowhere. Observation hadn't been good.

First Bn. tried it again that afternoon. "We showed them a powerhouse", reports Maj. James H. Quello, Detroit. "Company's A and B were behind and between the tanks. Two hundred yards behind came the armored infantry and half tracks. Co. C tailed the armored infantry."

"Then we got the best artillery support I've ever seen", continued the major. "They were dropping smoke and HE just 100 yards in front of the tanks. The mortars, as usual, were right on the money."

Tanks and infantry went forward, firing to beat hell. The SS men lay in their holes until the tanks had passed, then got up to fire at the backs of the infantrymen.

Co. B went into the barracks and started mopping up, and Co. A outflanked its opposition, going through to B's right, where it belonged.

Some of the stalwart SS men had taken off when they saw what was coming, but many stayed. Seventy-five were taken prisoner and 80 killed.

One of the prisoners had been run over by a tank, covered with dirt, and just his mouth and nose were showing. He walked away with his captors, which might indicate how tough the 1st's opponents were.

The fight was filled with incident. Pfc's Homer Bearden and William Trimmier, Co. D heavy .30 MG men with Co. A, set up their gun to find they were directly across from a German 88 and MG. The duel ensued between 88 and MG. The 30 obviously couldn't hurt the lead runner, but Bearden and Trimmier kept the lead running for an hour, all through the fighting, and kept the SS's crew flat on their bellies, their gun out of the fight.

First Lt. William F. Jennings, New York City, took over one of the companies after four of its officers had been shot, reorganized it on the spot, and led it in the attack.

Capt. Edward L. Kerker, Shawnee, Okla., jumped into a hole to get out of sniper fire, found five SS men there, and took them prisoner.

The CO of Co. B led his men after he had been hit in the hip, and didn't quit until he was shot a second time.

Apparently, this was the last tough battle the 45th was to fight in the European war.



Frontal assault on wooded area occupied by the enemy



BATTALION STAFF SECTION

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. James K. Groover,
College Park, Ga.

Pfc. Haywood C. Williamson,
Bordman, N.C.

Pfc. William Canady,
Atlanta, Ga.

T/Sgt. Clyde G. Hostetler,
Uniontown, Pa.

Sgt. Frank J. Tempone,
New York, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Arthur B. Rodgers,
East Orange, N. J.

Pfc. David B. Russell, Jr.,
Moir, N.Y.

Cpl. Robert W. Tonkin,
Oswego, N.Y.

Pvt. Harold J. Frank,
Albany, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Thurman Smith,
Eastland, Tenn.

Pfc. John E. Helch,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Cpl. Louis M. Shagi,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Willis M. Bahnsen,
Oak Harbor, O.

3rd ROW

Pfc. John L. Keller,
Morning Sun, Iowa

Pfc. Charles H. Robinson,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Vincent Iwanski,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. Clovis Johanesen,
Port Washington, N.Y.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Emil A. Lietzow,
Rogers City, Mich.

Pfc. Donald E. Barrett,
Fort Wayne, Ind.

S/Sgt. John McCary,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Eugene Supinger,
Fort Wayne, Ind.



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. Earl L. Cain,
Atlanta, Ga.

Cpl. Charles E. Davis,
Ava, Mo.

Pfc. Theodore H. Buckland,
Peterstown, W. Va.

Pfc. Frank J. Shukis,
Hartford, Conn.

S/Sgt. Rene J. Boullion,
Holland, Mich.

S/Sgt. Billie D. Seay,
Okla. City, Okla.

Cpl. John DiSalvo,
Providence, R.I.

Pfc. Harold S. Brunelle,
Worcester, Mass.

Cpl. Joe M. Magallanes,
Calipatria, Cal.

Sgt. Harold R. Webber,
Waseca, Minn.

Sgt. John R. Hill,
Fremont, Mich.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Donald F. Hunter,
Hartville, Mo.

NOT PICTURED

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Albert A. Moretti,
Cranston, R.I.

Pfc. Theodore F. La Padula,
W. New York, N. J.

S/Sgt. Otto E. Bostelman,
Alger, O.

Cpl. Thomas P. Hollywood,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Sgt. Stefano Stefanini,
Fromingham, Mass.

S/Sgt. Thomas Pierce,
Grandfield, Okla.

Sgt. Bertrad L. Pinsonnault,
Attleboro, Mass.

Cpt. Warren K. Ferris,
Tacoma, Wash.

Pfc. Cephus D. Baker,
Cunn, N.C.

Pfc. Howard F. Finn,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. J. P. Walker,
Okay, Okla.

Pfc. Seymour Diamond,
Elmira, N.Y.

1st Sgt. Lawrence A. Delisle,
Wausau, Wis.

Pvt. Guy M. Terry,
Bakersfield, Cal.

Pfc. Melvin Lincoln,
Topeka, Kan.



COMMUNI- CATION PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Frank Smith, Jr.,
Dallas, Ga.
Pfc. Thomas E. Aument,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Robert E. Swansborox,
Joliet, Ill.
Cpl. James A. Thyden,
Worcester, Mass.
Cpl. Earnest M. Friedman,
Carnegie, Pa.
Sgt. Raymond Thomas,
Scranton, Pa.
Pfc. Harold Storch,
Glendale, N.Y.
Pfc. Claton Williams,
Kellyville, Okla.
Pfc. Chester Brunell,
Westbrook, M.
Pfc. Roy E. Brown,
Bellfarm, Ky.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Bernardino J. Di Oria,
Astoria, N.Y.
Pfc. Ken W. Cunningham,
Clayville, Pa.
Pfc. Charles F. Heck,
Youngstown, O.
Cpl. Oris L. King,
Pontiac, Mich.

Pfc. Silvan Salbeck,
Milwaukee, Wisc.
S/Sgt. Ken E. Wagner,
Etna, Pa.
Cpl. Clarence E. Rimby,
Birdsboro, Pa.
Pfc. Joseph J. Soohy,
St. Michael, Pa.
Pfc. Fred Adkins,
Caryville, Tenn.
Cpl. Charles F. Obermier,
Louisville, Ky.
Pfc. Clifton W. Mills,
Atoka, Okla.
Pfc. Robert P. Starbuck,
Elmira, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. James W. Tucker,
Jackson, Miss.
Pfc. Robert V. Barrett,
Ausable Forks, N.Y.
S/Sgt. Willene D. Turner,
Cincinnati, O.
Pfc. Harry E. Jarvis, Jr.,
Hood River, Ore.
Sgt. George G. Beecher,
Ashland, O.
Pfc. Stanley Uhoch,
Seymour, Conn.
Pfc. Raymond A. Collins,
Canton, O.

Pfc. Robert A. Regouffre,
New Orleans, La.
Pfc. Salvatore Cetrano,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Thomas P. Minch,
Baltimore, Md.
Sgt. Joe E. Detherage,
Okemah, Okla.
Pfc. Everett E. Baker,
Wichita, Kan.
Pfc. Robert E. Bammerlin,
Parma, O.
Cpl. Joseph J. Maloney,
Phila., Pa.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Jesse L. Duff,
Louisville, Ky.
Sgt. Charles J. Hinkle,
Fairmont, W.Va.
Pfc. Dennis Stucker,
Georgetown, Ind.
Cpl. Eugene Bender,
Pittston, Pa.
Sgt. Peter Ladig,
Youngstown, O.
Pfc. Bob Dyer,
Okemah, Okla.
Pfc. John B. Reeves,
St. Louis, Mo.
Cpl. Thomas Glaub,
Des Moines, Iowa



PIONEER PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Harmon L. Bailey,
Clarksdale, Miss.

Pfc. Max DeWeese,
Bassett, Neb.

Pfc. Edward W. Whitmore,
San Diego, Cal.

Pfc. George D. Whittaker, Jr.,
Bainbridge, Ga.

Pfc. Stephen F. Skimlis,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Michael R. Laborioso,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Anthony Wojdula,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. John J. Krysiwicz,
Uncasville, Conn.

Pfc. Eugene P. Richardson,
Hermondale, Mo.

Sgt. Harry J. Martin,
Niagara, N.Y.

Pfc. Walton R. Holland,
Prudy, Va.

Sgt. Lawrence R. Goodman,
Phelps, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Michael Mack,
Bayonne, N.J.

Pfc. Merwyn H. Ruehs,
Tripoli, Iowa

Pfc. Edmund Belanger,
Auburn, Me.

Sgt. Jack R. McFarland,
New Port, Tex.

T/Sgt. George D. Rufo,
New York, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Erwin E. Emmen,
Andover, S. D.

Pfc. Elmer A. De Young,
Baldin, Wis.

Sgt. John J. Tomositis,
Boston, Mass.

Pfc. Glenn L. Dickson,
Grove City, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Joseph Ventresco,
Allport, Pa.

Pfc. Gilbert Dias,
Ornisky Falls, N.Y.

Pfc. John Clair,
Ornisky Falls, N.Y.



ANTI-TANK PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. E. Holmes Curtis,
Malone, N.Y.
Pfc. K. Alexander Dwain,
Mechanicsburg, Pa.
Pfc. James P. Brown,
Tiptonville, Tenn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Carmine J. Petrullo,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Willard Brooks,
Anniston, Ala.
Pfc. Bronislaus Urbanczyk,
Lackawanna, N.Y.
S/Sgt. John V. Grube, Jr.,
Kingston, N.Y.
T/Sgt. John L. Dubravetz,
Akron, O.
Pfc. Ancle M. Couch,
Elkin, N.C.
Pfc. Carl E. Rasmussen,
Menitowoc, Wisc.

Cpl. James E. Emerson,
Sommerset, Ky.
Pvt. James H. Stanfill,
Lawton, Mich.

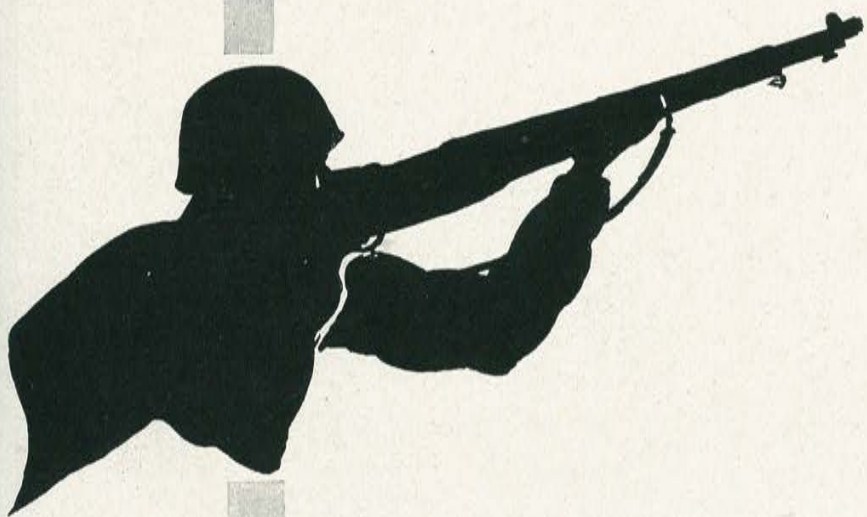
3rd ROW

Pfc. Walter Laursen,
Geneva, N.Y.
Cpl. Lee R. Still,
Hope, Ark.
Cpl. Andrew S. Marks,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Charles W. Bainbridge,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pfc. Cornelius Burrow,
Rosie, Ark.
Pfc. Norman E. Latraverse,
Millburg, Mass.
Pfc. Paul Calfee,
Elmo, Mo.
Pfc. Lloyd Mooney,
Okemah, Okla.

Pfc. Thomas E. Eakin,
Greenwood, S.C.
Cpl. Stanley R. McCumber,
Crystal Falls, Mich.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Edward J. Farrell,
Long Island, N.Y.
Pfc. Carl E. Pharis,
Randolph, O.
Pfc. Orris B. Brown,
Evanville, Ind.
Pfc. Antonio Barber,
Rochester, N.Y.
S/Sgt. James J. Doneny,
New York, N.Y.
Pfc. William Sunderland,
Pitts., Pa.
Pfc. Guy R. Chapman,
Athens, O.
Pfc. Norman Barber,
Hollywood, Cal.



"A" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Martin F. Schroeder, Commanding



Co. A Cooks Serve Hot B Meals Daily To Troops on Line

BY BILL BARRETT

How has your chow been lately, brother? Is your headquarters company or service company chucking out drab, unimaginative C-rations concoctions? Or have you been dining on K's at the front so long that you're getting just a little weary of them?

Well, here's the record of a combat kitchen which has been serving at least two hot meals a day at the front for as long as the old-timers down there can remember. Here are some facts and figures on the kitchen feeding Co.

A, 180th Inf. . . . When meal time rolls around in whatever section of Europe the company happens to be, the paddlefeet crawl out of their holes and advance on the kitchen in groups of two or three because chances are there's harassing fire and chances are the meal is good enough to risk it.

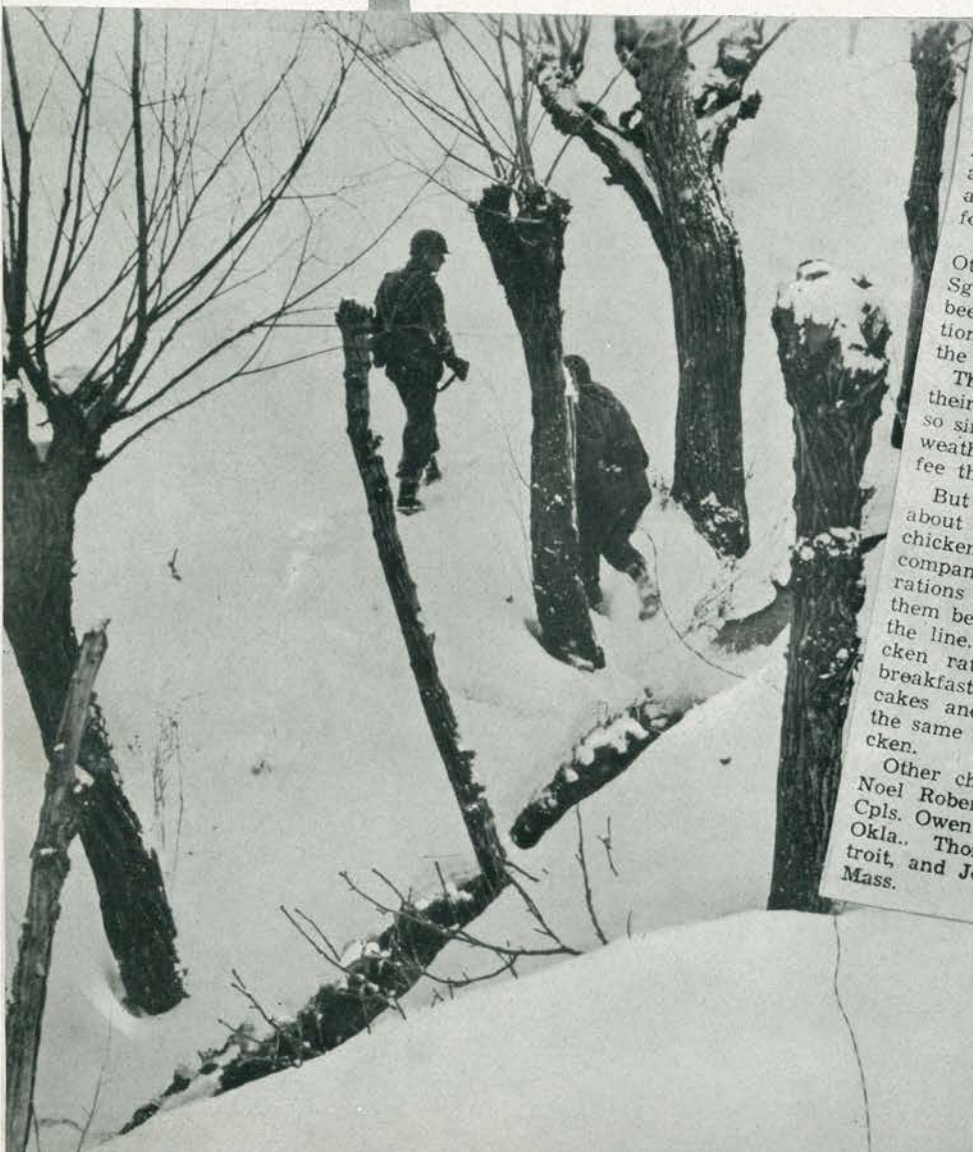
More than once chow has been interrupted by a barrage and the guys will tell you of the time Kraut mortars were bursting about 10 feet from where the cooks and KP's were dishing out the food.

Two of the men, mess sergeant Otis Mann, Wagoner, Okla., and Sgt. Tom Hines, Grant, N.M., have been wounded dishing out B rations at the front. Hines is still in the hospital.

These men haven't been risking their necks to bring up anything so simple as hot C rations. In zero weather they brought up hot coffee that was really hot.

But the one the boys likes to tell about is the time they had fried chicken for breakfast. Another company in the battalion drew B rations but decided not to serve them because the company was in the line. So Mann took their chicken ration, served it fried for breakfast, garnished it with hotcakes and then came back later the same day with more fried chicken.

Other chefs in A Co. are Sgts. Noel Roberts, Salinas, Okla., and Cpls. Owen L. Williams, Wagoner, Okla., Thomas T. Dimitroff, Detroit, and John Fontes, Plymouth, Mass.



Laying wire up to Company A CP near Wimmenau, Alsace, France



A Company passes in review during Flag raising ceremony in Adolf Hitler Platz, Nuremburg



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. James T. McEachern,
Winthrop, Mass.
Pfc. George R. Russell,
Seiverville, Tenn.
Sgt. Carmen V. Perrone,
New Castle, Pa.
Capt. Martin F. Schroeder,
(Comdg. Officer),
Bridgewater, S. D.
S/Sgt. Thomas T. Dimitroff,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Anthony S. Miro,
New Britain, Conn.
Pfc. Robert S. Cline, Jr.,
Clear Forks, W.Va.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Herbert A. Klein,
Queens Village, N.Y.
Pfc. Robert A. Carrington,
Correctionville, Iowa
Sgt. Raymond R. Tipton,
Bowen, Ky.
1st Lt. Stephen W. Small,
Valdosta, Ga.

1st Sgt. Luther F. Haessler,
Monroe, Mich.
1st Lt. Albert H. Gable,
(Exec. Officer),
Philadelphia, Pa.
Cpl. Francis P. Hromulik,
Johnson City, N.Y.
Pfc. Willard T. Edwards,
Wagoner, Okla.
Cpl. Walter O. Hobbs,
Wagoner, Okla.
Cpl. Owen L. Williams,
Wagoner, Okla.

3rd ROW

Cpl. Edward A. Gambardella,
Bronx, N.Y.
Pvt. Carlton B. Salter,
Mobile, Ala.
Sgt. John Fontes,
Plymouth, Mass.
Pfc. Andy F. Powell,
Lucedale, Miss.
Pfc. Charles E. Camp,
Jones Buro, Ark.

Pfc. Ogden L. Cookson,
Wagoner, Okla.
S/Sgt. Francis A. Nusbaum,
Union Bridge, Md.
Sgt. Nathan Cohen,
Baldwin, Long Island,
N.Y.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Reuben H. Lancaster,
Milo, Me.
Cpl. Edwin V. Keim,
Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Austin J. Smyth,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pfc. Roy E. Brown,
Bell Form, Ky.
Sgt. Thomas J. Hughes,
Providence, R. I.
Pfc. Duane Greathouse,
Stoystown, Pa.
1st Sgt. Major L. Breeland,
Tylertown, Miss.
S/Sgt. Noel E. Roberts,
Salina, Okla.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Leroy Carr,
Weed, Cal.
S/Sgt. Maurice W. Nichols,
Hart, Mich.
Pfc. Lawrence G. Ward,
Washington, D.C.
Pfc. David W. Hinkle,
Yonkers, N.Y.
Pfc. Dick M. Bann,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Robert K. Carmichael,
Baileyville, Kan.
Pfc. Duane C. Smock,
Miles City, Mont.
Pfc. Wayne Fulmer,
Huntsville, O.
Pfc. Marvin W. Fischer,
Winthrop, Minn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Luvern E. Flatness,
Northwood, Iowa
Pfc. James K. William,
Fall River, Mass.

Sgt. Thomas J. Shea,
San Francisco, Cal.

Pfc. Clarence H. Nieman,
Ann, O.

Pfc. Henry W. Lange,
Ewing, Mo.

2nd Lt. W. R. Claflin,
Pasadena, Md.

S/Sgt. Joseph M. Krajewski,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Casey O. Holmes,
Taber City, S.C.

Pvt. Finis J. Ward,
Konawa, Okla.

Pfc. James C. Greer,
Palm Springs, Cal.

Pfc. Clarence C. Barnett,
Holl Houlko, Miss.

Pfc. James A. Ward,
Washington, D.C.

Pfc. Gerald J. Pelletier,
Webster, Mass.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Donald E. Benson,
Wausa, Neb.

Pvt. Fred H. Ward,
Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Earnest W. Dillard,
Franklin, Ky.

Pfc. Clifford Welch,
West Middlesex, Pa.

Pfc. Howard K. Chrisman,
Norman, Okla.

Pfc. Mike Kliarsky,
San Francisco, Cal.

Pfc. Leonard S. Kruszynski,
Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. James M. Nelson,
Tishomingo, Okla.

NOT PICTURED

Cpl. George E. Burke,
Grandtower, Ill.

Pfc. Walter Daley,
Broadview, Ill.

Pfc. Theodore R. Hayse,
Kaneyville, Ky.

2nd PLATOON



1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Eulus L. Freeman,
Charlotte, N. C.
Pfc. Norman R. Falvo,
Utica, N.Y.
Sgt. Adron M. Gibson,
Panama City, Fla.
S/Sgt. A. L. Barrow,
Amarillo, Tex.
S/Sgt. Charles E. Goins,
Bleyfield, W.Va.

2nd ROW

Pvt. Richard Stegmann,
Aurora, Ill.
Pfc. William E. Dixon,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Cpl. Charles A. Gurren,
Covington, Ky.
1st Lt. Frederick G. Henry,
Dallas, Tex.

T/Sgt. William B. Duffy,
Masontown, Pa.
Pfc. Golden L. Clark,
Idaho Falls, Idaho
Pfc. Cecil Cooper,
Oquawka, Ill.
Pfc. Paul A. Laflamme,
Manchester, N. H.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. William J. Pratt,
Follansbec, W.Va.
Pfc. George Smith,
Farrell, Pa.
Pfc. Jeff V. Huffman,
San Francisco, Cal.
Pfc. Edwin R. Arnold,
New Waverly, Tex.
Pfc. Oscar C. Evers,
Jacksonville, Fla.
Pfc. Paul A. Frederick,
St. Paul, Minn.
Pfc. Willie H. Adams,
Warren, Tex.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Albert R. Weible (Medic),
Hooversville, Pa.
Pfc. Norman C. Buskey,
Lawrence, Mass.
Pfc. Ernest H. Stech,
Rhodes, Mich.
Pfc. William E. Wilson,
Pittsburg, Pa.
Sgt. Hector Luna,
San Juan, Tex.
Pvt. Hugh A. Wilson,
Chehalis, Wash.
Pfc. William P. Walton,
San Fernando, Cal.
Pfc. Walter B. Toper,
Osaka, Va.
Pfc. Garnett G. Boyd,
Osaka, Va.
Pvt. Gerald W. Stout,
Richmond, Cal.
S/Sgt. Carl A. Robinson,
Port Jervis, N.Y.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. John M. Barker, Jr.,
Wilkes Barre, Pa.
Pfc. Robert B. Cox,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Salvatue J. Datello,
Staten Island, N.Y.
Pfc. Ruail E. Edens,
Greenville, S. C.
Sgt. James B. Philen, Jr.,
Monroeville, Ala.
Pfc. Robert L. Andrist,
Pine Island, Minn.
Pfc. Raymond E. Kent,
Ericville, N.Y.
Pfc. Jasper B. Katz,
Knoxville, Tenn.
Sgt. Marvin E. Rogers,
Lenoir City, Tenn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Glenmon Campbell,
Central City, Ky.
Sgt. Otis B. Ring,
So. Beloit, Ill.
Pvt. Gerald P. Wittman,
Merrill, Wis.

Pfc. Russell O. Schoolcraft,
Martinsville, Ind.
2nd Lt. Christopher Maragakes,
Astoria, Long Island,
N.Y.
T/Sgt. Stephen Pelles,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pfc. Richard D. Fries,
Indianapolis, Ind.
Pfc. Ernest J. Mathon,
Loustown, Me.
Sgt. Cicero W. Tomczak,
Blairsville, Ga.
Pfc. Cicero Thomas,
Blairsville, Ga.
Pfc. Leonard H. Dorey,
Winooski, Vt.
Pfc. Wallace C. Presting,
East Grand Fork, Minn.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Martin M. Long,
Meridian, Miss.
Pvt. Grover C. Smith,
Baurbourville, Ky.
Pfc. Raymond E. Barnhart,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pfc. Robert F. Amos,
Holiday Cove, W.Va.
Pfc. Edgar J. Walker,
Chicago, Ill.
Pvt. Oscar L. Moore,
Grays, Ky.
Pfc. James W. Ponders,
Ellijay, Ga.
Pfc. John D. Brinnen,
Pattonsburg, Mo.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Eugene Collier,
Tuplo, Miss.
Cpl. Charlie Adams,
Queens, N.Y.C., N.Y.
Pfc. Norman L. Marchione,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pfc. Harvey L. Bandy,
Davidson, N. C.
Sgt. Joseph A. Volpe,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Phillip Routten,
Hampton, Va.
S/Sgt. William J. Barlok,
Whitney, Pa.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Norman Troutman,
Wallins Creek, Ky.
Pfc. Allen Light,
Pecksville, N.Y.
Pfc. Arthur Lessor,
Schenectady, N.Y.
Pfc. Raymond Giosso,
Connellsville, Pa.
Pfc. Henry Sovcy,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Paul Guastella,
New Orleans, La.
Pfc. Leo Cantin,
Rumford, Me.
Pfc. Herman Skolnick,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Lloyd Ryan,
Toledo, O.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Clifford Burgess,
Fort Payne, Ala.
Pfc. Juan Lopez,
Trampas, N. M.
Pfc. Robert Maloy,
Tallahassee, Fla.
Pfc. Leslie Christeson,
Alton, Ill.

Pfc. Benjamin Lopez,
Canjilon, N.M.
Pfc. Wilfred Dusty,
Waterville, Me.
Sgt. Borge Knutson,
La Crosse, Wis.
Sgt. Grover Bruce,
Columbus, Ga.
Pfc. Eugene Failor,
Sebring, O.
Pfc. Grover Carr,
Dallas, Tex.
Pfc. Jesse Fikan,
Atwood, Kan.
Cpl. William Bailey,
Jefferson, Tex.

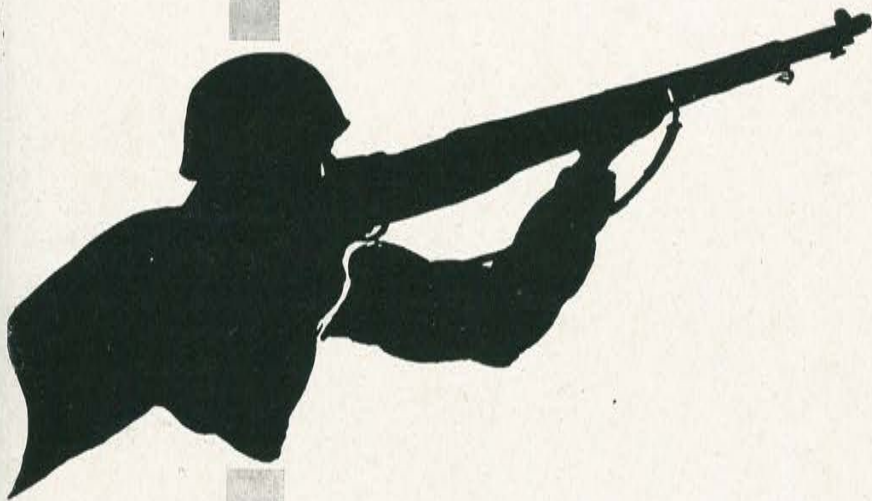
3rd ROW

Pfc. Owen Fix,
Slayton, Ill.
Pfc. Sylvester Simmons,
Randolph, W. Va.
Pfc. Maurice S. Scartozzi,
Wayne, Pa.
Pfc. Nicholas Capitanich,
Watsonville, Cal.
Pfc. Shirley Dean,
Sherwood, Mich.
Sgt. John Shultz,
Wood Cliff Lake, N.J.

Pfc. Allen Nearhood,
Three Springs, Pa.
Pfc. Robert Ryner,
Kirkwood, Ill.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. Richard Miller,
New Brunswick, N.J.
Pfc. Paul Smyers,
Brookville, Pa.
Pfc. James Engle,
Briston, Okla.
Sgt. Francis Trotter,
Elkart, Ind.
S/Sgt. Joseph Thompson,
Decatur, Ala.
Pfc. Russell Schoolcraft,
Martinsville, Ind.
Pfc. Jacob Cohen,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Lt. Joseph Yockman,
New Orleans, La.
S/Sgt. John Janosko,
Racine, Wis.
Pfc. Robert A. Carrington,
Correctionville, Iowa
T/Sgt. Robert H. Rochell,
E. St. Louis, Ill.



"B" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Oliver W. Grow, Commanding





Runner delivering message
during Battle for Bensheim

German-Speaking Yank Gets Past Kraut Sentry on Outpost

Yank Comes Back With Squad And Cleans House

A knowledge of German recently saved S-Sgt David Pressman, from capture and enabled him to later return and capture 30 krauts.

The 45th Division infantryman was working his way through the woods to make contact with the company on his flank, when he spotted a house that was lit up. Crawling up a bit closer, he thought he heard GIs talking. He started toward the door of the house when he was suddenly startled by a German man "halt."

Pressman, who speaks German, immediately replied, "This is Hans, I have a mission in the woods."

The sentry mumbled for him to pass on and to be careful of the Americans in the woods.

Hurrying back to his lines, Sgt Pressman reported the incident. Next morning, reinforced by his squad, the sergeant surprised the krauts and forced the surrender of 30 of them.

First 45th's To Cross Tiber Spoil a Bath

By George F. Dennis

The first two men of the 45th to cross the Tiber did so in a borrowed peep.

First Lt. Elbert Dias, Washington, D.C., and St. Sgt. Thomas Brennan, El Paso, Texas, rode across the famous river in advance of their company, enabling a platoon to set up a defense to prevent the Jerries from returning to blow up the bridge.

The company outposted a 600 yard frontage on the South bank of the river while one attached platoon of a heavy weapons company set up on the North bank.

One of the captives taken by this outfit was a German infantry captain who was slightly surprised by the onrushing Thunderbirds. In fact, he was caught finishing a bath at the river's edge. Before he had a chance to put on his uniform he asserted that he would rather die for « Der Fuehrer » than take a trip to the United States.



Loading up for the crossing of the Rhine River

As for the Krauts, They'd Dispense With all of Them

Ask T Sgt Bernard V. Middleton troops as they crossed the river." about effective weapons and he'll Okay, now listen to Earl, a New be strong for hand grenades; ask Milford, Conn., product: Pfc Douglas Earl and he'll yell Earl and his companion, Pvt "M-1" until he's blue in the face. John Barrows of Alberquerque, It all depends, of course, on the N.M., were moving along a rail- particular case at a certain given road bed when a couple of hun time, but after hearing the stories fired on them. Both Yanks hit the ground, fed of these two 45th Division men it's slugs through their M-1s as fast easy to understand their respective reasoning.

Middleton, a Muncie, Ind., boy, clip before the two boche were drew an assignment to lead a com- waving white handkerchiefs," said bat patrol across a river and set Earl. "We went on a little farther up a road block. and spotted another hun. Only one then Middleton spotted four boche shot convinced him that surrender was a good idea.

While his men put down a hot Those krauts told us we fired field of fire, the Hoosier crawled so rapidly they thought we were to within easy throwing distance using machine guns—there's noth- of the hun, then tossed in a cou- ing that will beat an M-1."

Three Germans were KO'd by the blast and the other surrendered pronto. Said the sarge: "we then manned their position and protected our



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Joseph Kossar,
Charleroi, Pa.

Pfc. Walter S. Lehman,
Johnstown, Pa.

1st Lt. Abram L. Venable,
(Exec. Officer),
Craigs ville, Va.

1st Sgt. James L. Price,
Canton, Ga.

S/Sgt. Eric F. Larder,
Fairview, Mass.

S/Sgt. Frank J. Pedicino,
Staten Island, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Edward A. Jablonski, Jr.,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Helmuth E. Ziebe,
Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. Robert M. Biggeln,
Bronx, N.Y.

Pfc. Albert Chiarelli,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Alfred R. Ferro,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Gaston Perdiolat,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Eulous C. Johnson,
Anniston, Ala.

Pfc. Norbert L. Ernster,
Bridgewaters, S. D.

3rd ROW

Cpl. Joseph S. Caruthers,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Cpl. Theadore P. Nilges,
Loose Creek, Mo.

Pfc. Paul B. Jackson,
Gasoway, W. Va.

Pfc. Robert J. Turner,
Pierce City, Mo.

Pfc. Paul Lockhart,
Canton, O.

Sgt. Ernest G. Keal,
Louisville, Ky.

Pfc. Marvin J. Lewis,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Sgt. Edmond J. Schlitz,
Long Island, N.Y.

Pfc. John P. Madison,
Philadelphia, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

Capt. Oliver W. Grow,
(Comdg. Officer),
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. George Barker,
Calfax, Iowa

Cpl. Eugene W. Monteith,
Rutherfordton, N. C.

Pfc. Willie H. Batten,
Blackshear, Ga.

Pfc. Gordon D. Birkliid,
Kent, Wash.

Pfc. Charles A. Buck,
Seneca Falls, N.Y.

Pfc. William J. Campbell,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. James J. Herking,
Cinn., O.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. Bernard C. Hillerman,
Konova, Okla.

Pvt. Daniel W. McGowan,
Charleston, Mass.

Pfc. Leon D. Burkhalter,
Florence, Mo.

Pvt. James E. Givens,
Echols, Ky.

Pvt. Marshall C. Skinner,
Goldsboro, N. C.

Pfc. Robert B. Nemec,
Cicero, Ill.

S/Sgt. Lawrence R. Breunsbach,
Shambough, Iowa

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. David C. Jones,
Cocburn, Va.

Pfc. Morton F. Brown,
Albany, N.Y.

Sgt. John J. Garry,
Oshoes, N.Y.

2nd Lt. George Otis III,
Holpsville, Mass.

S/Sgt. William S. Riley,
Cincinnati, O.

Pfc. Joseph D. Friedman,
Bristol, Va.

Pvt. Antoni R. Raya,
Watsonville, Cal.

3rd ROW

Pvt. Thomas J. Creamer (Med.),
Brooklyn, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Kenneth R. Bowers,
Shambough, Iowa

Pvt. Arthur C. van Mater,
Naptune, N. J.

Pfc. John F. Richardson,
Redlands, Cal.

Pfc. Lee R. Armbrister,
Stonewall, Okla.

Pfc. John D. Malone,
Monticello, Ga.

Pvt. Daniel Riojas,
Rio Grand, Tex.

Pfc. Robert J. Roessler,
Norfolk, Va.

Pvt. Jose M. Flores,
Pecos, N. M.

Pfc. Jack C. Feigler,
Philip, Miss.

4th ROW

Pvt. Clark F. Reese,
Semerset, Pa.

Pfc. James C. Milstead,
Mount Solon, Va.

Pfc. Erwin Zoch,
Georgetown, Tex.

Pvt. Vincent J. Re,
Cincinnati, O.

Pvt. Louis R. Wylie,
Carthage, Ark.

Pvt. James A. Clarke,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pvt. James E. Feltman,
Tucson, Ariz.

Sgt. Harry T. Rivett,
Tulsa, Okla.

Pfc. Eugene R. Etherton,
Knoxville, Ky.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Leonard R. Davis,
Huntsville, O.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Elwood J. Snow,
Tampa, Fla.
Pfc. Douglas Duey,
Chester, Neb.
Pvt. Donald Bomers,
Grand Rapids, Mich.
T/Sgt. Joseph D. Knight,
L'Anse, Mich.
S/Sgt. Archie H. Mathers,
Bend, Ore.
Pfc. Francis N. McCorkle, Jr.,
Camden, S. C.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Robert H. Borkowski,
Pittsburg, Pa.
Pfc. Louis Lewandowski,
Torrington, Conn.
Sgt. Ernest O. Schwarm,
Glastonburg, Conn.
Pfc. Ivan F. Buss,
Ewart, Mich.
Pfc. John C. Kiezer,
La Fayette, Ind.

Sgt. John R. Cooney,
Springfield, Ill.

Pvt. Earl V. Walters,
Murray, Utah

Pvt. Thomas R. Moore,
Ererton, Mo.

Pfc. Calvin C. Drake,
Monett, Mo.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Stanley J. Broska,
Springfield, Mass.

Pfc. William F. Millar,
Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Virgil D. Miller,
Oregon City, Ore.

Pvt. John W. Carlson,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Walter L. Morgan,
Spartanburg, S. C.

Pfc. Joseph E. Behr,
Sheboygan Falls, Wis.

Pvt. Horace L. Roberts,
Hartselle, Ala.

Pfc. Claud H. Simpson,
Houston, Tex.

Pfc. Walter T. Movra,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Pvt. Le Roy Schieferstein,
New York, N.Y.

NOT PICTURED

2nd Lt. Raymond H. Brown,
St. Johnsbury, Ut.

S/Sgt. Floyd L. Andrews,
Winsto Salem, N. C.

S/Sgt. Richard E. Reitz,
Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Cpl. Charles J. Dusek,
Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Milo A. Karnik,
Dwight, Neb.

Pfc. Harvey S. Peters,
Stockton, Cal.

Pfc. John D. Vawrinek,
Webster, S. D.

S/Sgt. Harry Wanat,
Garwood, N. J.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Robert M. Guess,
The Plains, O.

Pfc. Archibald McLean,
Endicott, N.Y.

Pfc. George V. McAllister,
Watervliet, N.Y.

Pfc. James L. Bumgardner,
Baker, Ore.

Sgt. John Tymec,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Lewis M. Bristow,
Churchview, Va.

Pfc. Ralph L. Cosky,
Warchester, Mass.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Burton D. Carr,
Lucson, Ariz.

S/Sgt. Calvin L. Waldon,
Vernon, Ala.

2nd Lt. William Greenwish,
New York, N.Y.

T/Sgt. Edward J. Deal,
Rochester, Ind.

Pfc. Oland T. Henderson,
Decatur, Ill.

Pfc. William H. Bailey,
Fletcher, N. C.

Pfc. Thomas Connolly,
Havron, Mont.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Warren M. Jones,
Ferndale, Mich.

S/Sgt. Scoffield Davis,
Walker, La.

Pfc. John L. Griffis,
Modesto, Cal.

Pfc. Clifford J. Lamb,
Cumming, Ga.

Sgt. Everett E. Sallee,
El-Dorado Springs, Mo.

Pfc. Elbert M. Griffin,
Myrtlepoint, Ore.

Sgt. Lee R. Rimbey,
Urbana, Mo.

Pfc. Francis S. Banville,
New York, N.Y.

Pvt. Don C. Martens,
Toledo, O.

Pfc. Norvin W. Baker,
Metropolis, Ill.

Pfc. Horace L. Rogers,
Tacoma, Wash.

Pfc. Glenn W. Lee,
Coosbay, Ore.

NOT PICTURED

Cpl. Lazon A. Draper,
Redmond, Utah

Cpl. Howard J. Kell,
St. Paul, Minn.

Pfc. Charles W. Bladl,
Plain, Wis.

Pfc. John Bowling,
Bowlingtown, Ky.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Joseph G. Tope,
Carrollton, O.
Pfc. Arthur E. Jors,
Battle Creek, Iowa

2nd ROW

Sgt. Earl W. Baker,
New Kensington, Pa.
Pfc. Virgil A. C. Mattlage,
Pirce City, Mo.
1st Lt. Ellis Parson,
Rockingham, N. C.
T/Sgt. Charles B. Hawkins,
Calhoun City, Miss.
Pfc. John F. Schoonover,
West Clarksville, N.Y.
Pfc. George J. Olney, Jr.,
West Turnville, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. William E. Coffman,
Bonne Ferre, Mo.
Pfc. Kenneth P. McBee,
Catowbos, W.Va.
Sgt. Charles E. Moore,
Jackson, O.

Pfc. Gerald W. Flanagan,
Fredonia, Tex.

Pfc. Maximiliano Gutierrez,
Chama, N. M.

Pfc. Albert C. Boulden,
Gloucester, N. J.

Pfc. Charles L. Fransen,
Bryant, S. D.

Cpl. Pax Tratt,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Tony Cussimonio,
Culver City, Cal.

4th ROW

Pfc. Orville E. Myers,
Riners Burg, Pa.

Pfc. Columbus Hatfield,
Bilbert, W.Va.

Pfc. Kenneth C. Burton,
Atlanta, Mo.

Pfc. John S. Demko,
Trenton, N. J.

S/Sgt. Daniel J. Marinola,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Joseph W. Feiner,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Alfred S. Elston,
Granville, N. D.

Sgt. James A. Hill,
Thomasville, N. C.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. Willis T. Spencer,
Farmville, Va.

Pfc. Joseph L. Buckler,
Hughesville, Md.

Pfc. Carl R. Christensen,
Goshen, Utah

Pfc. Benjamin H. Frost,
Keego Harbor, Mich.

Pfc. Tommie B. Grayson,
Releigh, Miss.

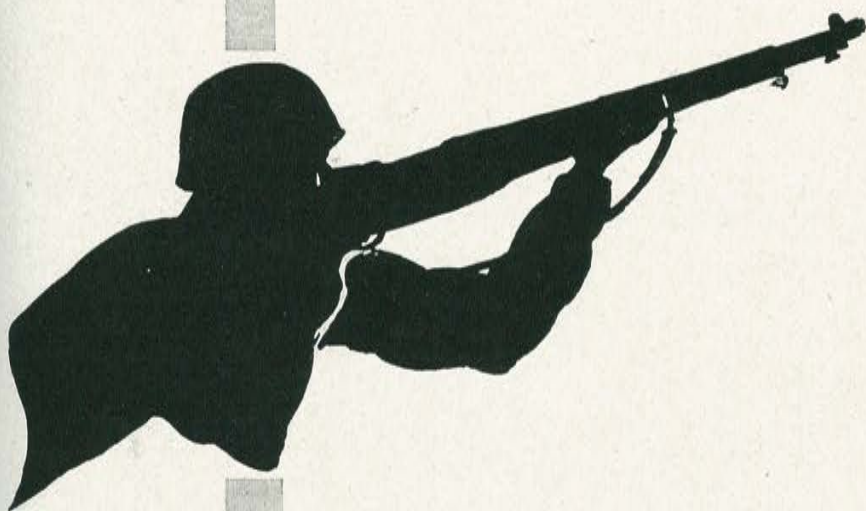
Pfc. Delmas N. Long,
Quaker City, O.

Pfc. John M. Nick,
Columbus, Mont.

Pfc. Clyde B. Sanders,
Belgrade, Mo.

Pfc. Frank M. McKinnon,
Kosciosko, Miss.

Pvt. Norman L. Farnham,
Waren, Pa.



"C" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. John W. Voller, Commanding



HOB-NAILED BOOTS THROW KRAUT INTO AMERICAN PW CAGE

Pfc Robert Slayton is quick to tell you that sitting in a jeep on a lonely night in no-man's land isn't the world's most comforting feeling—especially when you hear the clunk-chunk of hob-nailed boots coming down the road.

Slayton, West Va., and Sgt Elaster Johnson, San Francisco, got lost one night during a ration delivery to their company. His jeep Slayton stayed with for a look while the sarge got out for a look around. When he heard Virginian approaching, the West Johnson thought at first it was the caller returning, then realized the shoes was wearing hob-nailed shoes.

He got out, crept into the shadows alongside the road and when the kraut came along, jumped out and pressed a rifle into his back. "We found out from this hun his company was just around the next bend, so it's a good thing we stopped when we did," explained Slayton.

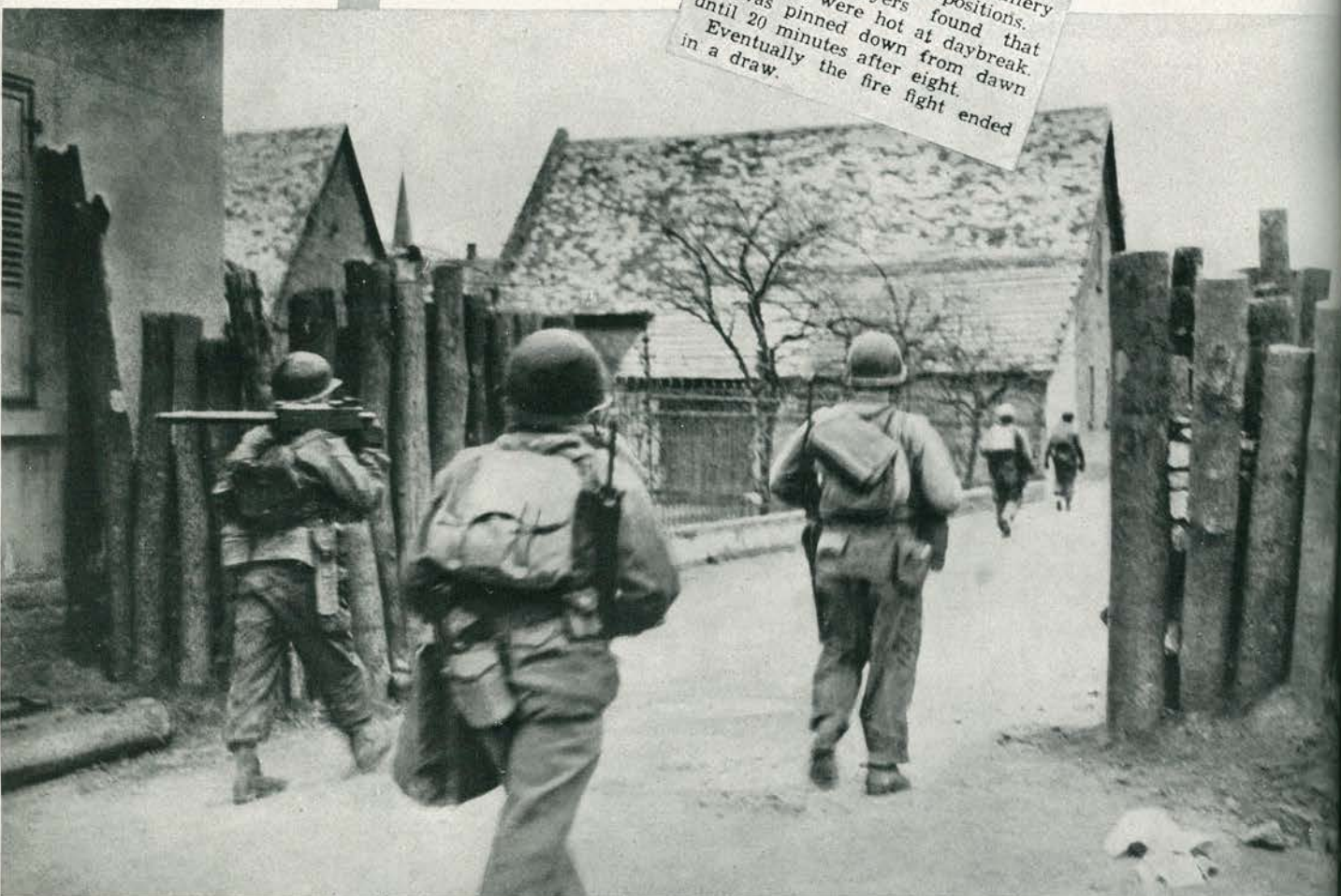
Siegfried Fire Fight Is a Draw

"The town was battalion sized, and we tried to take it with a platoon," recalled Pvt. Norman Trautman, Co. C, 180th Inf. The first objective was a house at a crossroad, and it also proved the last for that company in that town.

First three German machine guns pinned down the assault squad, and one man was hit. The grenadier got busy then, lobbing grenades through the windows of the house, and is believed to have killed or wounded four Germans.

Pfc Thomas Patton was the grenadier on this occasion. After he fired the grenades, he walked right into a German who had a burp gun. Both fired simultaneously, both missed, and the German fled.

Later, Pfc and St Sgt. Bethel Roberts found a wounded man and carried him 300 yards across open ground, with German rifle bullets singing all around them. Confusion increased, because the night was so dark, and it seemed that Germans were fighting Germans, while Americans were fighting Americans. Pfc John Myers found that things still were hot at daybreak. He was pinned down from dawn until 20 minutes after eight. Eventually the fire fight ended in a draw.



Weapons platoon entering Wattenheim, Germany



D-Day, H-Hour,
St Maxime, France

'Most Shot Up' GI Has Strong Belief God Eased His Wounds

ABILENE, Tex. (UP)—The 45th Division's "most shot up soldier to return alive" is back in the States and a firm believer that Almighty God took care of him through the times he was wounded in Sicily, Italy and France.

He is Lt Charles A. Brandt of Muskogee, Okla.

The first five times the Nazis got him, he returned to action with new medals to show for his "extraordinary heroism and aggressive leadership" that brought on his battlefield promotion from sergeant to lieutenant.

Brandt, who stopped off here to visit Camp Barkeley, where he trained for war, while en route back to a California hospital, wears

the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, a Presidential citation and the Purple Heart with five oak leaf clusters.

Before he was put out of action near the Swiss border in France, Brandt suffered the following wounds:

1. Shrapnel in the arm (Sicily).
2. Knee injury (Italy).
3. Shrapnel in both ankles (Venafro, Italy).
4. Chest injury (Anzio beach head).
5. Shrapnel in elbow (Anzio).

An artillery shell that exploded in his foxhole in France spelled the end of action.



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pvt. Max C. Garrett,
Hannibal, Mo.

Pfc. Kenneth M. Culbertson,
Oil City, Pa.

Pfc. Norman L. Gregory,
Aubrey, Tex.

Pfc. Jesse Grabkowitz,
Bronx, N. Y.

Pfc. Robert H. Belyea,
Baintree, Mass.

2nd ROW

Pvt. Charles M. Bishop,
Denver, Col.

Pfc. George K. Brynteson,
Dassel, Minn.

S/Sgt. Robert A. Langhoff,
Sheboygan, Wis.

1st Sgt. Ethiel Z. Edwards,
Huntington, W. Va.

S/Sgt. Franklin P. High,
Reading, Pa.

S/Sgt. Norman D. Wilson,
Dundon, W. Va.

3rd ROW

Pfc. John W. Christ,
Scranton, Pa.

Pfc. Clyde W. Brooks,
Staunton, Va.

Cpl. Charles H. Ward,
Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Pfc. Joseph C. Ellerbrock,
Wapakoneta, O.

Sgt. Sundae Yomboro,
Akron, O.

Pfc. Chester A. Burnell,
Gorham, Me.

Pfc. Myron C. Scofield,
Inverness, Fla.

Pfc. Joseph F. Zayszly,
Philadelphia, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

1st Lt. John W. Voller,
(Comdg. Officer)
Cicero, Ill.

Cpl. Spencer B. Belyea,
Baintree, Mass.

Pfc. Woodrow P. Macksey,
New Orleans, La.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Stanley Pederson,
Anoka, Minn.

Pfc. Jack Stevens,
Muskogee, Okla.

S/Sgt. Dearl J. Wilson,
Sault St. Marie, Mich.

S/Sgt. John Ivey,
Montgomery, Ala.

Sgt. Chester G. Windle,
Denver, Col.

Pfc. Cecil L. Golden,
Quapow, Okla.

2nd ROW

Cpl. Albert D. Rich,
Morgan, Utah

Pfc. Phillip Dellos,
Worland, Wy.

S/Sgt. Roger F. Rogers,
Louisville, Ky.

Pfc. Eugene Williamson,
Catron, Mo.

Pfc. George W. Stoops,
Lincoln Park, Mich.

2nd Lt. Paul T. Stienbacher
(Plt. Ldr.),
South Williamsport, Pa.

Pvt. Lorenze J. Hammack, Jr.,
Lawrenceville, Va.

Pfc. Glenn I. Wiggins,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Pvt. Dennis L. Keefe,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Paul A. Willock,
Fairbanks, Alaska

Pfc. Gerald N. Green,
Elba, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Elmer D. Shearhart, Jr.,
Independence, Kan.

Pfc. William A. Henderson,
Ackerman, Miss.

Pfc. Leal D. Clauson,
Trivoli, Ill.

Pfc. Walter Kempf,
Parnell, Iowa

Pfc. Carl E. Smith,
West Frankfort, Ill.

Pvt. Eugene A. Clyne,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Emmett Cady,
Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Lewis R. Allspaugh,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Pfc. Theron E. Moore,
Columbus, O.

Pfc. Warren Kempf,
Parnell, Iowa

Pfc. William Greaff,
Connelsville, Pa.

Pfc. Arthur T. O'Leary,
Malden, Mass.

Pfc. Dudley E. Swenson,
Summerville, Mass.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Allie P. Zielinski (Medic),
Manistee, Mich.

Sgt. Robert W. Bowman,
Springfield, Mo.

Pvt. Roy E. Plume,
Lake Grove, L. I., N.Y.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Stanley M. Brassington,
Philadelphia, Pa.
S/Sgt. Albert Dvoske,
Lawrence, Mass.
Pfc. Charles E. Graham,
Coleman, Fla.
T/Sgt. Arthur C. Gott,
Brockton, Mass.
Pfc. Carmen Gagliardi,
Carnegie, Pa.
T/Sgt. Quellin T. Box,
McKinney, Tex.
S/Sgt. Robert D. Metzger,
Toledo, O.
Pfc. Orlie E. Hooper,
McEwen, Tenn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Joseph P. Colombo,
Hackensack, N. J.
Pvt. George E. Murray, Jr.,
Wellsville, N.Y.
Pfc. Chester H. Gonse,
Minneapolis, Minn.
Cpl. John A. Kulasza,
Madison, Ill.

Pfc. Darrell E. Spaulding,
Dawson, Neb.

Pfc. Anthony Pucci,
Bronx, N.Y.

Pfc. Patsy P. Cassese,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Henry L. Damsen,
Clovis, Cal.

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"D" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Chauncey B. Scott, Commanding





Numerous river crossings earned the nickname of "paddle feet"

20 Soldiers Beat Battalion Of SS Troops

This is the story of 20 gallant Thunderbirds who stuck to their guns in an Alsation engagement against a battalion of SS troops.

Down in a little town a battalion of crack Kraut troops were trapped by a flanking movement that surrounded them. To prevent any raiding parties from coming to their rescue, two sections of 180th machine gunners set up a line four kilometers outside the town.

The trouble started not to their front, but to their rear. Under cover of a heavy mist one morning, the Jerries slipped out of town and started down the road toward their lines.

"They bumped into one of our machine gun posts and the boys stopped them cold," explained St. Sgt. Joseph Burke, Carbondale, Pa. "They withdrew, but only to re-organize."

The SS men came back. In five waves the battalion threw themselves at the machine gunners who calmly picked them off.

"That first gun was knocked out," continued Burke, "and the gunners were killed. We stuck in the face of wave after wave of Krauts that came at us. It lasted an hour, but we stopped them. We had a score to even when that first gun was hit."

They more than evened the score. The Germans finally surrendered and out in front of the line of machine guns lay almost 100 dead SS men.

Grenade Each Sixty Seconds Hurlled at SS

While the supply lasted and the Krauts attacked, Sgt. William Rautzhan, Norristown, Pa., pitched grenades out of his machine gun position at the rate of one a minute.

The Co. D, 180th, gunner was set up at the crest of a hill that commanded A Company's positions.

The fan was hit in the middle of the night when a company of SS troops loosed an attack for the hill. They grabbed A Company's two LMG's and started for Rautzhan's heavy.

Luckily, Rautzhan had lugged several crates of grenades up to his position several days before and was well prepared for the Kraut attack.

The SS'ers held the hill in front of him for the remainder of the night, but in the morning Rautzhan chased them off with his water-cooled 30.

Dog Co's Party, Put Off 3 Years, Is Rescheduled

Dog Company of the 180th is planning a company party during this rest period and keeping its fingers crossed.

This party was promised Dog Company's dog-faces almost three years ago. In Fort Devens at the time, it was planned to hold the shindig the night of September 13, 1942 — a Friday night. Everyone thought that was a bad omen, but no one changed the date till the regiment was up in New Hampshire on a maneuver that Friday morning and wouldn't be back for several days.

The company party was postponed. But on the new date, the 180th was aboard trains and trucks heading for Pine Camp.

In the snowbound New York camp, Dog Company planned well in advance, but just a little too far ahead. This time, the night of the planned

party, they were on their way to Virginia and Camp Pickett.

The date set at Pickett found the division on the high seas heading toward North Africa.

The subject of the party was brought up again at Piedmonte when the 45th was pulled back from the Gustav Line, but this time they took off for Anzio before the party could take place. And the same thing happened last July when Dog Company was running through a dry run at Battipaglia. The heavy weapons men were in France and had to stand up the Battipaglia signorinas.

Last November at Xertigny was the last time the date of the shindig went haywire. All the postponements haven't dampened the spirit of Dog Company, and they'll hold their party in this rest period or they'll put it off till the next one.

Sweeping Attack Surprises Chavez

Cpl. Tranquilino Chavez, Las Cruces, N.M., came home late one night last week and walked upstairs to where the rest of his squad from Co. D, 180th, were sleeping. The next thing Chavez knew he was being beaten over the head with a broom.

On the business end of the broom was the lady of the house, and when she stopped beating him and began to explain, it was all Chavez' fault.

Chavez took the wrong turn at the darkened head of the stairs, and the lady of the house has a daughter.

Blitzkrieg on German soil





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and these were my
buddies on the line.

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2nd BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Albert L. Luger Jr., Commanding



Thunderbirds Claim Sad Sack Championship Title for Outfit

WITH THE 5TH ARMY, Italy—Ask any Thunderbird parked just outside of Rome and he'll tell you that right now he's the saddest of sad sacks.

This condition has resulted from a series of events leading up to the Thunderbird dogface finally seeing—but from a distance!

When the 45th landed at Salerno, it was the ambition of every member of the division to visit Naples. They headed north—it was the right direction. But, alas, just as they got near the famous and romantic Napoli their course abruptly changed east and they wound up in Venafro, the capital of shellhole valley. Some of the boys—a fortunate few—got to see life ala Neapolitan during a brief but hectic rest period, but the majorities just learned about the signorinas and bisteck from wornout paddlefeet returning from the rest camp.

And then came the Beachhead! So close to Rome and yet so far. They longed for the day when they would visit the Eternal City—St. Peter's Cathedral, the Vatican, the Coliseum and all points west. They felt that they had earned the right to visit the historic and sacred city, they hated to think they had been all through Italy and missed the only thing worth seeing.

Enthusiasm ran high among the Thunderbirds when the Big Push started and they were at last on the road to Rome. They didn't care especially to be the first outfit to march triumphantly through the City of the Seven Hills, but they did very much want to revert to the traditional status of American Tourist and see the town.

So what happened? When they got within seeing distance of the seat of European culture, they were shunted sharply to the left of it and parked on a hill. Sure, they could see St. Peter's stately dome, the King's Palace and Mussolini's sanctum—but from a distance when the mist five or more miles when the mists lifted. Even that didn't dampen their spirits too much because they could still hitch-hike and walk through the streets—if only to be able to tell their grown sons and daughters when they get back home that they really and truthfully were in Rome. But when the "Off Limits" sign was hung up right smack in the face of the 45th Division, that was the straw that broke the camel's back!

"I sure hate like hell to be so close to Naples and Rome and not get a chance to see them!" is the way one Thunderbird summed up the situation in a nutshell. Another one just said—"War is Hell!"

Battlefield on
German Soil



Story of Moselle Crossing Tale of T-Bird Determination

River crossings are old stuff to one infantry regiment of the 45th Division. Maybe that's how the infantrymen happen to be called "Paddlefeet" in this outfit. The inner amphibious operations began way back in Italy just about a year ago. That was the first river crossing and it took them into Venafro.

To these "Thunderbird Paddlefeet," a river isn't just something you wait for the engineers to throw a bridge across; it means wading, sometimes swimming, in ice cold water, while wondering if that next burst of machine gun fire or volley of mortar shells has your number on it.

Then there was another river crossing. This time in France.

The Germans held a strong position at Baume les Dames smack on the bank of the Doubs River and were very reluctant to relinquish same. However, by a combination of overwhelming firepower and Yank ingenuity and guts, "another river was crossed."

But the crossing which will remain indelible in the minds of this regiment is the one which was made recently at Epinal on the Moselle River in the face of Mr. Hitler's elite—the vaunted SS troops.

Epinal, where the Germans elected to dig in and make their stand, is one of a series of fortress towns constructed by the French prior to the Franco-Prussian war. Other such bastions are

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SS TROOPS FAILED TO STOP MOSELLE CROSSING

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Verdun, Metz and Besancon, previously reduced by the Yanks in this campaign.

Three German battalions of infantry reinforced with tanks, artillery and anti-tank guns were in position on the East bank of the river which divides the town. A strong delaying force manning concrete blocks of felled trees and barbed wire entanglements and ingeniously conjured booby traps, faced the regiment on every road at the approaches to town.

After much bitter street fighting, dogfaces of a battalion commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Daniel K. Ahern succeeded in clearing the krauts from the western edge of town. But then there was a Moselle to be crossed, and the krauts had blown the last bridge in town.

Engineers with bulldozers were then called up and succeeded in clearing the roads, thus enabling tanks, TDS, SP artillery and organic infantry transport to move into position to support the attack. Meanwhile, this is the problem that faced Colonel Robert Duhaney, the regimental commander: how to cross a river eighty feet wide backed by a twenty foot vertical concrete wall and defended by a nearly equal force of fanatical last-ditch-stand Germans.

The colonel elected to pass a battalion commanded by Lt. Col. Chester G. Cruickshank, who throws his weight around in more ways than one, he being national AAU hammer-throw champion, to the left of Ahern's battalion and cross the river at the north edge of town, simultaneously with the crossing of Ahern's men.

First Lieutenant Adam Mikovitch led the first patrol to the river bank at night, and reconnoitered crossings for the battalion. Additional supporting weapons including anti-tank guns and anti-aircraft guns sighted for fire at ground targets were set up as a base of fire to smother anybody who lifted his head in defiance to the crossing.

About noon next day the attack started. Scores of weapons from medium howitzers to carbines opened fire while doughboys with boats, ladders and ropes pushed down to the selected crossing sites and paddled, waded and swam amidst enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire. Some of the ropes and ladders were lost and in more than one instance, men scaled the vertical concrete walls by forming pyramids of themselves and helping each other over the top.

Tanks churned up and down the west bank shooting at Germans who braved the hail of lead to fire back at our troops in the river. One tank commander flushed 30 krauts from a building into an air-raid shelter and promptly di-

rected his fire into the entrance. The second round was a bullseye and it was fire for effect and goodbye Jerry.

It was the same story with Col. Ahern's battalion on the right. Superior firepower and fortitude routed the nemy and he started for the hills. Everything except the well-known kitchen sink was thrown at the running krauts, as they peat a hasty retreat.

As the attack progressed, the regimental commander committed his reserve battalion commanded by Maj. Earl M. Cooper and they passed through Cruickshank's battalion and took positions on a hill about two kilometers east of Epinal on the left of Ahern's battalion in time to slaughter a German counterattack which had been launched against that unit.

By this time Jerry had had enough, orders or no orders, and pulled out for the Fatherland. Thus was established another bridgehead by these soldiers of the "Thunderbird" Division.

Lt. Col. Everett W. Duvall, c. o. 180th Inf. presents Bronze Star Medal to Lt. Col. Joseph C. Sandlin, c. o. 2nd Bn.





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Cpl. Frank G. Puglisi,
Buffalo, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Robert E. Snyder,
Gettysburg, Pa.

Cpl. John J. Charron,
Shelburne Falls, Mass.

Pfc. Earl E. Hinkle,
Weeksby, Ky.

Pfc. Walter E. Eis,
San Antonio, Tex.

S/Sgt. Florent G. Briere,
Woonsocket, R. I.

Pfc. Aubran E. Martin,
Madison, W. Va.

Pfc. Carl Rogers,
New York, N.Y.



COMMUNI- CATION PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. Harold A. Taub,
Hazleton, Pa.

Pfc. Frank A. Zaremba,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pfc. Everett J. Easton,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Philip R. Baker,
Jackson, Mich.

Pfc. James J. Barretta,
Whitesboro,
Oneida City, Ky.

Pfc. Patrick J. Brody,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Albert P. Kupcinkas,
Millbury, Mass.

Pfc. Lawrence J. Costino,
Camden, N.J.

2nd ROW

Cpl. Howard A. Black,
Hartford, Wis.

Sgt. Walter E. Richards,
Houghton, Mich.

Pfc. William H. Brand, Jr.,
Logansville, Ga.

Pfc. Elbert W. Sly,
Welch, W.Va.

Pfc. George Schiller,
Lorain, O.

Sgt. Merlin M. Mitchell,
Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

Sgt. Edward J. Palmer,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Joseph Shultz,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Pfc. Edwin F. Gehlert,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Walter E. Wade, Jr.,
Willsboro, N.Y.

Pfc. James E. Price,
Washington D.C.

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S/Sgt. Merle W. Henry,
Indiana, Pa.

Sgt. Paul Simkovitsch,
Girard, Pa.

Sgt. Dallas F. Slessler,
Danville, Pa.

Pfc. Vernon V. Ledbetter,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Robert W. Lowe,
Union, N.J.

Pfc. Charles A. Willard,
Washington, Pa.



PIONEER PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Theodore Ferencz,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Alfred J. Stasium,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Carmine A. Camaro,
Middle Village,
Queens, N.Y.

Pfc. Benjamin Goldberg,
New York, N.Y.

T/Sgt. Herman L. Turnage,
Live Oak, Fla.

Pfc. Arthur F. Selzer,
Lindsey, Okla.

Pfc. David Reige,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. John C. Was,
Lackawanna, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Pfc. David D. Paul,
Oroville, Wash.

Pfc. William L. Salmons,
Charleston, W.Va.

Pfc. Charles C. Antczak,
Chelsea, Mass.

Sgt. Jack A. Beach,
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Pfc. Henry J. Lera,
Thompsonville, Conn.

Pfc. Strickland S. Gehret,
Easton, Pa.

Pfc. Arthur D. Henry,
Thomaston, Me.

Pfc. Frank P. Dorgan,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Matthew Elesser,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Sgt. Frank S. Lelakes,
Taunton, Mass.

Pfc. Joseph P. Cilluffo,
Cleveland, O.

Cpl. Arthur W. True,
Cincinnati, O.

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Sgt. Angel Lamiquiz,
Mariners Harbor, S.I.,
N.Y.

Pfc. Cecil K. Bell,
Hugo, Okla.

Pfc. Carl A. Nichols,
Meadville, Pa.



ANTI-TANK PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Charles N. Ward,
Washington, Pa.

Pfc. Leo W. Wiklinson,
Kinmundy, Ill.

Pfc. Paul P. Asselin,
Calumet, Mich.

Pfc. Dayton J. Woods,
Gap Mills, W.Va.

Cpl. John E. Walthour,
Greensburg, Pa.

S/Sgt. William G. Welling,
Canonsburg, Pa.

S/Sgt. Henry Bauer,
Chicago, Ill.

Cpl. Warren W. Watson,
Ardara, Pa.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Bernie G. Lucas,
Darlington, S. C.

Cpl. Albert Fisher,
Long Island City,
Queens, N.Y.

Pfc. Clyde M. Nolen,
Rotan, Tex.

Pfc. William J. Oschea,
Altoona, Pa.

Cpl. Clitus D. Burrow,
Elmer, Okla.

Pfc. Billy R. Kennedy,
Tuckerman, Ark.

Pfc. Howard Molden,
Nancy, Ky.

Pfc. John K. Price,
Delaware, O.

Pfc. George W. Davey,
Albany, N.Y.

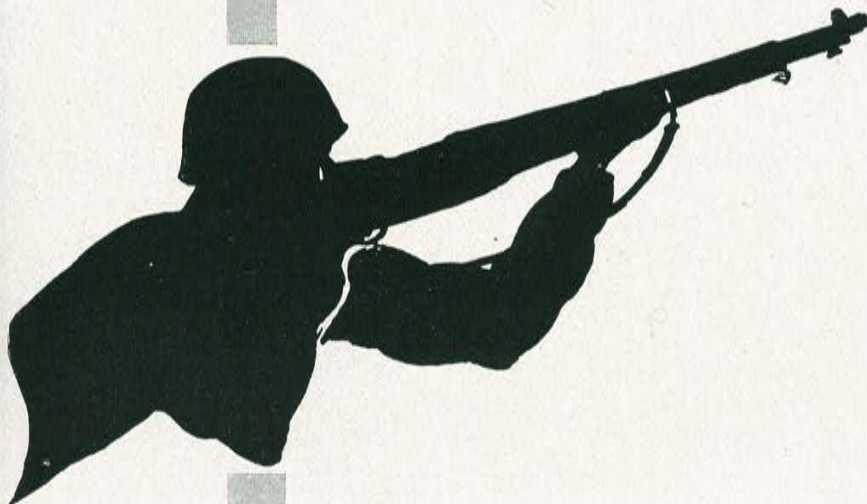
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S/Sgt. Dan L. Anderson,
Durant, Okla.

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Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Neil J. Walsh,
Whitmore Lake, Mich.

Cpl. Leo F. Bonenberger,
Pittsburgh, Pa.



"E" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. Paul L. Peterson, Commanding



Unit Takes Prisoner Every 50 Seconds

By Norbert Salpeter

A prisoner every 50 seconds on the average over a 10-hour period is the record set by 3rd Platoon, E. Co., 180th Inf., during the fight for Nuremberg. Or, if you prefer, you can say each of the 27 members of the platoon took 28 prisoners. It was a fight, too.

Third platoon was ordered to make a frontal assault on fortified positions. As the supporting tanks and artillery poured shells into the positions, the infantrymen scaled the ancient walls, much as archers used to scale walls of besieged cities centuries ago.

Buildings near the wall quickly were cleared, and by noon 300 German soldiers had been dispatched to the cage.

The afternoon was tougher. Walled up in several buildings were 400 Germans who seemed determined to make a last stand.

Then a new weapon was brought into play. Division men are familiar with it. The monster unloaded its projectiles onto the houses occupied by the Germans in a brisk 10-minute barrage.

The Germans changed their minds about a last stand, or maybe they decided that had been their last one. The platoon moved in, and found very little fight left in the besieged Germans.

The PW total was swelled that day by 750 Germans.

Members of the platoon are:

St. Sgts. Ross A. Challberg, Alfred E. Rose, Edward Hoffman, D. Lindine, James Coffey; Sgt's. Charles Trimble, Jack Dunwoodie, jr., Travis E. Smith, jr., Vernon M. Rush,

Pfc's Howard D. Johnson, Howard K. Swaim, Wyatt E. Thomas, Theodore A. Thompson, William Ward, Matthew C. Urbin, Francisco J. Guerra, Dorsie E. Weathered, Clyde J. VanPelk, Mack F. Lyle, Don A. Holt, Clarence G. Jester.

Pvt's Leland Burrows, Henry S. Boratyn, Filadelfie Padilla, Hilry C. Burnette.

Cpl's. Talmadge H. Faulke, James P. Vest.

Easy Co Builds Own Span Over Main River

Easy Co., 180th Inf., was ordered to cross the Main River and secure a bridgehead, and they not only accomplished their mission but they built the bridge they used to carry out their orders.

The Krauts had blown the bridge to slow down the assault on one of their towns, then covered the demolished span with artillery and mortars.

When Co. E reached the bridge, 1st Lt. Louis Calico, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., asked for two volunteers to cross the blown bridge and cover the rest of the company. Pfc's Paul Cavazos, San Antonio, Texas, and George Crawford, Yuma, Ariz., answered the call. They crawled over one steel girder that remained intact and set up in position at the far side of the bridge. Meanwhile, the Kraut artillery and mortars opened up.

In the pall that hung over the bridge, the Krauts did not notice the rest of Easy Co. carrying and laying planks for a bridge of their own.

An hour and a half later the bridge was done and Co. E. secured their bridgehead.



Sarreguemines, initial starting point for the last drive which ended in Munich, Germany

24 Easy Co. Boys Give GRO 123 Hun

The men in Company E of the 180th don't think they'll ever see the hill again and none of them recalls its height or location, but they will remember the hill. It was the last one taken by Easy Company before it was relieved and ranks high on the long list of battles the company staged.

In one day, 24 men supported by one tank rushed the hill and cleared it of a greatly superior force of Krauts. Then they held onto their prize and staved off constant Kraut counter-attacks for two more days before they were relieved.

The number of prisoners taken was small. Only 12 of the SS troops decided to quit. The others chose to fight it out. And for the three days E Company commanded the hill, the GRO carted off 123 of Hitler's best. The Graves Registration men were still rounding up stubborn Krauts when Company E came down off the hill.

The two dozen Thunderbirds suffered only six casualties.

For the three days, the fighting was the most stubborn Company E ever encountered. The Krauts attacked so regularly that Pfc. Robert Manes, Statesboro, Ga., the BAR man, had his assistant do nothing but load magazines.

Pfc. Francis Sidle, Toledo, Ohio, captured a wounded Nazi captain at one point of the battle and dragged the casualty into his hole with him. While potato-mashers bounced and exploded outside, Sidle listened to the wounded captain's moans. Sidle tried questioning him in his smattering of French and Italian, and was surprised when the captain answered him in fluent English. He'd like a drink of water.

After pushing off one Kraut attack by whooping like a pack of Comanches and the accurate fire of their M-1's, Pfc. Norman Hansen, Smithfield, Utah, and Pvt. Horace Appleby, Toledo, Ohio, crawled up to the hole of an SS lieutenant. The loogie was lying at the bottom of the hole but stubbornly refused to surrender when Hansen called to him. He was willing enough, though, when Hansen poked the muzzle of his rifle in the Kraut's stomach.

At the end of the three days, E Company had built up on the original skirmish line. And ironically, just as they were being relieved, three replacements came down to reinforce the 24 men who took the hill.

A short break before pushing on to the next objective





COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Vinton M. Redetzke,
Osakis, Minn.
1st Lt. Robert P. Brink,
Flushing, N.Y.
1st Lt. Clement E. Medley,
(Exec. Officer),
Greensboro, N. C.
1st Lt. Paul L. Peterson,
(Comdg. Officer),
Prairie du Chien, Wis.
1st Sgt. Ross A. Challberg,
Davenport, Iowa
S/Sgt. Fred E. Reuter, Jr.,
Cincinnati, O.
S/Sgt. Lester D. Railey,
Louisville, Ky.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Edward W. Lempke,
Washington, D. C.
Sgt. Arthur V. Aloise,
Patton, Pa.
Pfc. Wilfred F. Paro,
Oswegatchie, N.Y.
Cpl. Charlie T. Whitfield,
Altha, Fla.
S/Sgt. Kingsley T. Crapp,
Streator, Ill.
Pfc. Vaughan B. Hendrix,
North Wilkshow, N. C.

Sgt. Angelo Trimboli,
Huntington, W.Va.

Pfc. Joseph D. Natiello,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. Herman C. Pude,
Erie, Pa.

Pfc. Wilfred G. Lemm,
Minneapolis, Minn.

3rd ROW

Pfc. George Pechenak,
Corning, N.Y.

Pfc. Lloyd F. Day,
Bell, Cal.

Pfc. David E. Brumleve,
Louisville, Ky.

Cpl. Alver Carr,
Baton Rouge, La.

Pfc. Norman T. Hansen,
Smithfield, Utah

Pfc. Kasmer Koziol,
Omaha, Neb.

Cpl. Louis A. Schlachta,
Cincinnati, O.

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Pfc. Joe Ostrowski,
Scranton, Pa.

1st Sgt. Ugo E. Napolitano,
Weymouth, Mass.

S/Sgt. Hilra J. Cook,
Bill, Okla.

Sgt. Robert P. Van Houten,
Newark, N. J.

Sgt. Donald G. Campbell,
Earville, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Thomas G. Ernest,
Phillips, Tex.

Sgt. Jim C. Brinkley,
Anadarko, Okla.

Cpl. Frederick T. Sheehan,
Bronx, N.Y.

Pfc. Robert W. Seimon,
Union Town, Pa.

Pfc. Harry L. Fischer,
Cincinnati, O.

Pfc. Henry W. Crosby,
Salt Lake City, Utah

Pfc. John H. Henriksen,
Salt Lake City, Utah

Pfc. Everett B. Bevenue,
Sapulpa, Okla.

Pfc. Walter J. Sokolowski,
Cicero, Ill.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Frank W. Cousins,
Newton, Tex.
Pfc. Louis A. Lucadamo,
Hazleton, Pa.
Pfc. Robert W. Dowden,
Livingston, Tex.
Pfc. Benjamin F. Uschin,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pvt. Edgar E. Thompson,
Kincaid, Kan.
Pfc. Alfred J. Perri,
Muskegon, Mich.
Pfc. Eli B. Tanner,
Dallas, Tex.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Ray W. Hickey,
Chamberlain, S. D.
Pfc. Eugene J. Laky,
Chicago, Ill.
S/Sgt. Clarence F. Jernigan,
Miami, Fla.
S/Sgt. Ray H. Russell,
Mt. Vernon, Ill.
1st Lt. Gerald C. Mack,
New York City, N.Y.
T/Sgt. Harry M. Chazin,
Chester, Pa.

Pfc. Moody Thompson,
Albany, Ga.
Pfc. Rollin H. Phillips,
Wilson, N.Y.
Pfc. Grady W. Cox, Jr.,
Straw Plains, Tenn.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Russell Knott,
Albertville, Ala.
Pfc. Lee L. Blount,
Albany, La.
Pfc. Monroe G. Myers,
Blanch, N. C.
Pfc. Graham Conner,
Johnson City, Tenn.
Cpl. Francis L. McGrath,
West Field, Mass.
Pfc. Francis J. Hylka,
Dudley, Mass.
Sgt. Thomas H. Hastings,
Westville, Okla.
Pfc. Francis R. DeJaeger,
Danville, Ill.
Pfc. Russell A. Denham,
Thomaston, Ga.
Cpl. Robert E. Frey,
Smithsburg, Md.

Pfc. James C. Parker,
Odessa, Fla.

4th ROW

Pfc. George Leniart,
Norwich, Conn.
Cpl. Albert C. Bellisario,
Pittsburg, Pa.
Pfc. Ernest R. Overman,
Kenly, N. C.
Pfc. Glen C. Scaggs,
Worthington, Ky.
Pfc. Leo J. Lukatch,
Hazleton, Pa.
Sgt. Harry F. Healy,
Fairview, N. J.
Pfc. Atley W. Barnhart,
Lindside, W. Va.
Sgt. Ottis G. Lindsey,
Nashville, N. C.
Pfc. Merritt Steffens,
Lincoln, Ill.

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S/Sgt. William D. Cabot,
Rapid City, S. D.
S/Sgt. Theron E. Haedtke,
Minneapolis, Minn.
S/Sgt. Peter J. Lasowski,
Chicago, Ill.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Harold H. Barnheart,
Bachus, Minn.
Pfc. Samuel W. Causey,
Rome, Ga.
Pfc. Charles R. Hott,
Booth, W.Va.
Pfc. Raul Cavazos,
San Antonio, Tex.
Pfc. Adolph F. Beitel,
Black Duck, Minn.
Pfc. Markus B. Burton,
Alden, Minn.
Sgt. Frank W. Degnan,
North Bergen, N.J.
Pfc. Kenneth H. Hill,
Cederville, Cal.
Pfc. Richard R. Loidolt,
Pierz, Minn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Johnnie H. Homier,
Dover, Okla.
Sgt. Robert L. Manes,
Statesboro, Ga.
S/Sgt. Truman J. Hagen,
Arlington, S. D.
S/Sgt. Ravon L. Thomas,
Wichita, Kan.

T/Sgt. William F. Loughlin,
Grosse Pt. Farms, Mich.
1st Lt. Edward R. Bobowski,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Patrich J. Guimont,
Manchester, N. H.
Pfc. George K. Di Cicco,
Somerville, Mass.
Pfc. John A. Stivason,
McGrann, Pa.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Benjamin E. Bolton,
Beaumont, Tex.
Sgt. Howard Hegeman,
Port Washington, N.Y.
Pfc. Cleo M. Potter,
Indianapolis, Ind.
Pfc. Wilbur O. Prickett,
Rivesville, W.Va.
Pfc. Aaron Haught,
Payson, Ariz.
Pfc. George F. Draper,
Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Orval L. Jernigan,
Vera, Tex.
Pfc. Fred H. Ennis,
Marshfield, Vt.

Cpl. Stanilaus D. Cappucci,
East Boston, Mass.
Pfc. Everett E. Collinsworth,
Georgetown, Ky.
Pfc. Warren Christopherson,
Martinez, Cal.
Pfc. Randolph G. Collins,
Galax, W.Va.

4th ROW

Pfc. Stephen L. Grimes,
Williamston, N. C.
Pfc. Harlow M. Carr,
East Lansing, Mich.
Pfc. Arturo Palacios,
El Paso, Tex.
Pfc. Norman T. Hansen,
Smithfield, Utah
Pvt. Melvin L. Amundson,
Hoople, N. D.
Sgt. Eugene C. Kelso,
St. Louis, Mo.
Pfc. Alfred F. Buessing,
Baileyville, Kan.
Pfc. William C. Kress,
Cullman, Ala.
Pfc. Vernon F. J. Hoops,
Byron, Neb.
Sgt. Joseph M. Kotuski,
Perth-Amboy, N. J.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Vernon M. Rust,
Woodville, Okla.
S/Sgt. Alfred E. Rose,
Waldwick, N. J.
Pfc. Mark L. Lyle,
Conley, Tex.
Pfc. Leland Burrows,
Gooding, Idaho
Pfc. Clarence G. Jester,
Cullman, Ala.
Pfc. Walter E. Hennings,
Elizabeth, N. J.
Pfc. Don A. Holt,
Salt Lake City, Utah

2nd ROW

Pvt. Delfon Holmes,
Cullman, Ala.
Cpl. James P. Vest,
Cullman, Ala.
Pfc. Theodore A. Thompson,
Dallas, Tex.
T/Sgt. Clarence E. Hickman,
Baltimore, Md.
2nd Lt. Charles D. Dinnie,
Springfield, Mass.

Sgt. John S. Dunwoodie, Jr.,
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pfc. Howard D. Johnson,
Ashtabula, O.
S/Sgt. Edward G. Hoffman,
Bethlehem, Pa.
Pfc. Tony J. Pataky,
Clifton, N. J.

3rd ROW

Pfc. James L. Fielder,
Beaumont, Tex.
Pfc. Billy J. Ward,
Dallas, Tex.
Pfc. Raymond H. Reisman,
Atlanta, Ga.
S/Sgt. Dominick L. Lendino,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Phillip Schrager,
New York City, N.Y.
Pvt. Donald E. Henry,
McVeytown, Pa.
Pfc. John W. Dunn, Jr.,
Adel, Ga.
S/Sgt. Walter R. Wincek,
Massillon, O.
Pfc. Matthes C. Urbin,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Francis J. Guerra,
Laredo, Tex.
Pfc. Clyde J. Van Pelt,
Leon, Iowa
Pfc. Filadelfio Padilla,
Eagle Nest, N. M.

4th ROW

Sgt. Travis E. Smith, Jr.,
Pelly, Tex.
Pfc. John G. Quaranto,
Floral Park, N.Y.
Pfc. John C. Perinelli,
S. Philadelphia, Pa.
Pfc. Dorsie E. Weatherd,
Darlington, Mo.
Pfc. James A. Norris,
Kildare, Okla.
Pfc. John T. Poulos,
Council Bluffs, Iowa
Pfc. Jim Yearty,
Temple, Ga.
S/Sgt. James Coffey,
Eadsville, Ky.
Sgt. James J. Sword,
Cedar Bluff, Va.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Alex Toaso,
Creighton, Pa.

Pfc. James H. Duggan,
Oroville, Cal.

Pfc. Michael J. Turso,
Fort Lee, N. J.

Sgt. Vito J. Maglio,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Lawrence Pederzani,
Lynn, Mass.

Pfc. Leonard Salvador,
Detroit, Mich.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Henry S. Boratyn,
Detroit, Mich.

Sgt. Gerald F. Arthur,
Carbondale, Pa.

S/Sgt. Albert E. Daniel,
Chicago, Ill.

2nd Lt. Kenneth L. Ohran,
Burlingame, Cal.

T/Sgt. James F. Sheridan,
Cambridge, Mass.

Sgt. Donald L. Dailey,
Portleyden, N.Y.

Pfc. John L. Dunbar,
Chicago, Ill.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Edwin A. Bash,
Apollo, Pa.

Pfc. John J. Quirk,
Oak Park, Ill.

Pfc. George W. Crawford,
Yuma, Ariz.

Pvt. John Croce,
Seattle, Wash.

Sgt. Norman J. Cassidy,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Leroy F. Clark,
Falkner, N.Y.

Pfc. Michael Bartoe,
Whitman, W.Va.

Pfc. Joseph W. Kouba,
Montour, Iowa

Pfc. Earl Reed,
Greenup, Ky.

Pfc. Folke E. Larson,
Alta, Iowa

4th ROW

Pfc. Horace W. Appleby,
Toledo, O.

Pfc. Johnnie Farrar,
Wilmington, N. C.

Pfc. Robert R. Sizemore,
Wausau, Fla.

Cpl. Talmadge W. Faulk,
Pottstown, Pa.

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Berwyn, Ill.

Cpl. Oscar L. Brooks,
Geneva, Ala.

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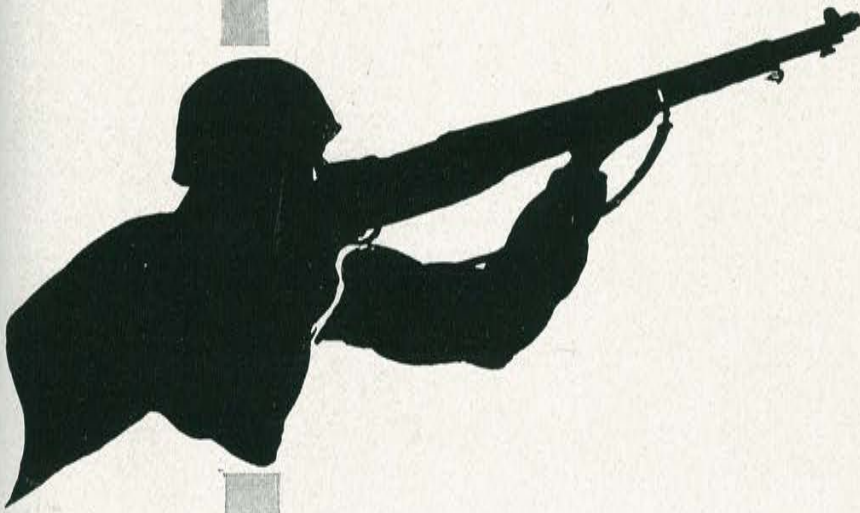
1st Lt. Paul R. Franz,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Pfc. Leonard A. Cortez,
San Francisco, Cal.

Pfc. Vernon J. Windler,
Fowler, Ind.

Pfc. Paul C. Carol,
Centrallia, Wash.

Pfc. John J. Quinn,
Wakefield, R. I.



"F" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. Vernon B. Whithead, Commanding



Five Casualties Hit Eight-Man Patrol Rest Fight for All

BY NORBERT SALPETER

The story of the 45th's, push through the Siegfried is one of sweat and guts defeating concrete and steel. Our casualties weren't light, but when one man fell wounded, his buddy, fighting mad, went on to do the job for both.

The 180th Inf. sent out an eight-man combat patrol to capture a single pillbox. Five of the men were hit, but before the patrol came back, a total of three pillboxes had fallen to the remaining trio-Pfc's Lawrence Spicers, Port-land, Me., Bernard Jackson Reisterstown, Md., and Thomas H. Johnson, Leonardtown, Md.

The eight dogfaces started the incident by rushing a trench about 30 yards in front the first box. Three of the men were wounded here, but the trench was cleared and the five remaining went on to tackle the fortification.

One man fired his BAR at the aperture while another gave all the openings a going-over with his bazooka.

"A few minutes of this treatment and we had closed the box," related Jackson. "While the BAR supported us we advanced. One of the boys climbed up on the rood of the pillbox and dropped a

grenade through the ventilating system. That did the trick, but a sniper from another position wounded this man as he was crawling back down."

There were just four left then, and one of these accidentally burned his leg on the smoldering remains of the smoke grenade when they entered the box.

That left just three--and they were all fighting mad.

From their newly acquired pillbox they had excellent observation on two other forts. They radioed back and directed artillery on the Jerries.

"As soon as some of them would try to get out, we'd let 'em have it with our rifles," continued Spicers. "After nearly an hour both boxes surrendered, and we rounded them up. There was a little trouble with the last box when a few die-hards wouldn't come out, but a grenade took care of mat."



"Pillbox Annie" in action in the Siegfried Line

Williams 'Joins' the SS Men For Attack on F Co.'s Own CP

Fifty doped-up SS men attacked Co. F, 180th Inf., at dawn in their white robes. They infiltrated along the front of the whole white-robed Thunderbird battalion, and before matters were finally straightened out that sector, to put it mildly, was confused. They cut the telephone lines first and all communications were out. In their white cloaks the Germans looked as GI as the guy in the next foxhole, and with lead flying all over the hill, it was SOP to shoot and ask questions later.

St. Sgt. Doff Williams, Long Branch, W. Va., took his life in his hands. « I'm going down to the house at the bottom of the hill, » he told his platoon commander, « and see what's cookin' down there. »

He crawled for awhile, and then he got up and walked. As he rounded a bend in the road he came upon about 50 white figures coming down the hill

toward him. He figured them for GI's until he saw their German rifle belts. Then he held his breath. But the Krauts didn't recognize him. They thought he was another SS man as Williams fell in with them. He walked in their midst until he was within 25 yards of the house. Then he broke into a run. His dashing figure was picked out by G Co. men who had the house in their sights, but Williams made it. One German followed Williams, but he didn't shoot. Still under the impression that the Yank was a Kraut, this SS trooper must have admired Williams' guts as he « attacked » the house. He followed the 180th man around the corner of the house, but he never made it. Company G brought him down. Williams brought the aid of a tank which pounded HE into the house and the Jerries around it. The Kraut attack ended there and the Yanks spent the rest of the morning policing up dead SS men.

Karl Holtz Died From Tank Fire, Lieutenant Says

Karl Holtz, political leader of Nuremberg, was not a suicide, but died when a shell fragment from tank fire hit him in the head, 1st Lt. Vernon Whitehead, Co. F, 180th Inf., asserted this week.

Lieutenant Whitehead was on the scene at the time of the attack, and Holtz's body was found in the Co. E sector, which Co. F was assisting in clearing after having cleared its own sector.

« I saw the body, saw where the shell had hit, and inspected the wound », Whitehead stated. « I'm certain he was killed by one of our tanks. »

Holtz's aide, a lieutenant, was captured. The aide said Holtz had ordered troops in the city to fight to the last man. The aide thought Holtz's death hastened the fall of Nuremberg.

Prisoners taken from pillbox at top of hill near Nieder-Wurzbach





COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Geo. C. Pate,
Kaufman, Tex.

Pfc. Earl C. Hibbs,
Morgantown, W.Va.

Pfc. Harry P. Spoonmore,
Lenox, Iowa

Pfc. Harley L. Flynn,
Sopopa, Okla.

Pfc. Donald F. Lyle,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Pfc. Clifford L. Van Orden,
Riverdale, N.Y.

Pfc. Geo. A. Koenig,
Vernon, Tex.

Pvt. Filiberta Carrillo,
Laredo, Tex.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Thomas W. Nolan,
New York City, N.Y.

Sgt. Walter G. Bardsley,
Waltham, Mass.

Cpl. Louis Saslovsky,
Brooklyn, N.W.

Pfc. Earl Webster,
Westville, Ill.

Pfc. Sidney F. Stratton,
Marion, Ind.

Sgt. Salvador S. Flores,
McAllen, Tex.

Cpl. Joseph F. Pabis,
Dickson City, Pa.

Cpl. Joseph Terri,
Brooklyn, N.W.

Pfc. Wendall H. Sanders,
Vienna, Ill.

3rd ROW

Cpl. Michael Cinquegrano,
Braintree, Mass.

Pfc. Harry A. Azure,
Dunseith, N. D.

Pfc. Edward R. O'Donnell,
Avon, Ill.

Pfc. Charles H. Walker,
Fordsville, Ky.

1st Sgt. Kyle W. Rutherford,
Bristol, Va.

1st Lt. Vernon B. Whitehead,
Dallas, Tex.

1st Lt. Everett L. Bishop,
Comanche, Okla.

1st Lt. William E. Anderson,
Joilet, Ind.

1st Sgt. Jeremiah Pietrovich,
Flushing, N.Y.

Pfc. Frank Hallen,
Jackson Heights, N.Y.

Sgt. Harvey E. Sharpley,
Menasha, Wis.

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Cpl. Walter Milos,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Pfc. John B. Nappi,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Cpl. Robert C. Koontz,
Everett, Pa.

Pfc. Thomas Hustvet,
St. Paul, Minn.

S/Sgt. Jos. Campo,
Corona, N.Y.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Francis T. Wade,
New Orleans, La.

Sgt. James A. Bounds,
Tacoma, Wash.

Pfc. Peter J. DiPietro,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Billie E. Hudson,
Goree, Tex.

Pfc. Frank V. Redavid,
Norfolk, Va.

Pfc. Malcom W. Gilbert,
Covington, Va.

Pfc. Warren J. Hufstetler,
Cartersville, Ga.

Pfc. Maxim R. LaFountain,
Springfield, Mass.

Pfc. Wyhibe G. Haddad,
Waterbury, Conn.

Cpl. Frederick L. Bluhm,
Depew, N.Y.

Pfc. Robert C. Johnson,
St. Peter, Minn.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Howard W. Kisor,
Wellston, O.

Pfc. Herman Goudy,
Renton, Wash.

Pfc. Charles A. Bernasco,
Trenton, N.J.

Pfc. Le Roy J. Schneider,
Cannon City, Col.

Pfc. Paul L. Gura,
Oscella Mills, Pa.

Pfc. Vester Kidd,
Defuniak Springs, Fla.

Pfc. Guy Radford,
Wilson, N.C.

Pvt. Billy Harbin,
Huntsville, Ala.

Pvt. Paul K. Adkins,
Dunwoody, Ga.

Sgt. Fred A. Williams,
Orlando, Fla.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Moris R. Amos,
Tucson, Ariz.

Pvt. Paul M. La Hue,
Miami, Fla.

Pvt. Philip H. Mecom, Jr.,
Shreveport, La.

Pfc. Vernon O. Lundstrom,
Hiteman, Iowa

Pfc. Jackson A. Stewart,
West Burke, Vt.

Pvt. Robert M. Heaton,
Norton, Kan.

Pfc. Edward L. Duran,
Santa Fe, N.M.

Cpl. Robert H. Allen,
Superior, Wis.

Pfc. Stanley C. Gurgol,
Detroit, Mich.

4th ROW

Pfc. Elwin E. Ross (Med.),
La Crosse, Wis.

S/Sgt. Jos. R. Hoyo,
Blaine, O.

S/Sgt. Charles M. Rich,
LeRoy, N.Y.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Howard D. McElroy,
Spinadale, N. C.

Pfc. Charles W. McMorries,
Long Beach, Cal.

Pfc. Donald M. Johnson,
Glen, Minn.

Sgt. Gerald Sterling,
Paris, Tex.

Pfc. Lester B. McVey,
Madisonville, Tex.

Pfc. Jas E. Donovan, Jr.,
Kane, Pa.

Pfc. Wm. K. Spinks, Jr.,
Butler, Pa.

Pfc. Emerson Stewart,
Pikesville, Ky.

Pfc. Thomas T. Owen,
Nashville, Tenn.

Pfc. Jas L. White,
Cullman, Ala.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Robert L. Drake,
San Leandro, Cal.

Sgt. Grady L. Srygley,
Guys, Tenn.

Sgt. Geo E. Woodward,
Nicholsville, Ky.

Pfc. La Verne E. Dillon,
Lawerence, Kan.

Pfc. Wm. B. Staples,
Hebbardsville, Ky.

Pfc. Peter M. Haddad,
Waterbury, Conn.

Pfc. Jas W. Gandy,
Pensacola, Fla.

Pfc. Richard E. Fahey,
Cumberland, Pa.

S/Sgt. Leo C. Dailey,
Lowell, Mass.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. John Bobick, Jr.,
Huntington Park, Cal.

Pfc. Walter R. Evans,
Collidge, Tex.

Pfc. Corbett O. Gann,
Amarillo, Tex.

Cpl. Jas B. Queen,
Douglasville, Ga.

Pfc. Sam C. Fulford,
Wartford, Ala.

Pfc. John W. Lowery,
Wingate, N. C.

Pfc. Albert S. Weaver,
S. Connellsville, Pa.

Pfc. Daniel F. Wendt,
Chicago, Ill.

4th ROW

T/Sgt. Carl A. Kelley,
Little Rock, Ark.

1st Lt. Robert L. Martens,
Chicago, Ill.

Pvt. C. J. LaPierre,
Chozy, N.Y.

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Pfc. Wm. E. Edwards,
Hartford, Conn.

Pfc. Jessie Evans,
Baltimore, Md.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pvt. Edgar C. Laware, Jr.,
Port Henry, N.Y.

Pfc. George J. Fagan,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pvt. Thomas E. Deas,
Sumter, S. C.

Pfc. Chester J. Fritz,
Vandling, Pa.

S/Sgt. Robert W. Banks,
Ashville, N. C.

Cpl. Thomas L. Grammer,
Chatanooga, Tenn.

Sgt. Franklin J. Wiram,
Terra Haute, Ind.

S/Sgt. Everett R. Dougherty,
Knoxville, Tenn.

S/Sgt. Clarence H. Sprehe,
Nashville, Ill.

S/Sgt. Clarence O. Wolfe,
Indianapolis, Ind.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Eugene E. Tompkins,
Russelville, Ala.

Sgt. Eldric Jones,
Sour Lake, Tex.

Pvt. A. C. Perceful,
Fort Smith, Ark.

Pfc. Thomas J. Johnson,
Leonardtown, Md.

Cpl. Jas. R. McWilliams,
Towanda, Kan.

Pfc. Edward D. Lowe,
Hardwood, Mo.

Pvt. Kenneth A. Birch,
Summit, Ore.

Pfc. Jos. Mihalich (Med.),
McDonald, Pa.

Pfc. Carl D. Mattson,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Pfc. Clement M. Wasong,
Chicago, Ill.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Carl Darden I,
Dunn, N. C.

Pvt. Paul R. Haley,
Cynthiana, Ky.

Pfc. Wm. C. Hudson,
Jacksboro, Tex.

Pfc. Isidore Moskowitz,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Chas R. King,
Rockwood, Tenn.

T/Sgt. Earl A. Wilcox,
Woodstock, N.Y.

Pfc. Mike Jaso,
Fort Lupton, Col.

2nd Lt. Kenneth L. Bick,
Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. Salvador Vasquez,
Mission, Tex.

Pfc. Stephen R. Foote,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Pfc. Howard C. Johnson,
Salt Lake City, Utah

Pfc. Henry P. Dziok,
Holyoke, Mass.

Pfc. Leonard H. De Bruyn,
Yonkers, N.Y.

Pfc. Raymond McKinnon,
Boston, Mass.

Pvt. Frederick Johnson,
Elk Mountain, Wy.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Elmer G. Fussell,
Polk City, Fla.
Pfc. Llyslle Longdo,
Ottumwa, Iowa
Pfc. Alfonso Doiron,
Central Falls, R. I.
Pfc. Milfred Smith,
Ponca City, Okla.
Sgt. Frank Hall,
Weirton, W.Va.
Pvt. Lester R. Knutson,
Oakland, Cal.
Pvt. Leo Maida,
Tampa, Fla.
Pfc. Jones Mabry,
Summertown, Tenn.
Pfc. Richard A. Palmieri,
Schenectady, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Clifford D. Simpson,
Polk, Mo.
Pfc. Oliver W. Garrison,
Tulsa, Okla.

Pfc. Hammond Dukemineer,
Huntsville, Ala.

Pfc. Bernard L. Jackson,
Reisterstown, Md.

Pfc. Johah C. Jenkins,
Orlando, Fla.

Pfc. Forrest C. Skinner,
Richmond, Tex.

Pfc. Ambrose V. Saner,
Osceola, Iowa

Pfc. Anthony Vecchio,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Richard Green,
Richton, Miss.

S/Sgt. Willoughby L. Barrett,
Ethel, Miss.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Gwyn M. Reeves,
Martinsville, Va.

Pfc. Sol Spielfogel,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Sgt. Patrick J. Reilly,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. Lawrence Spires,
Portland, Me.

Pfc. Irving Birnbaum,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

2nd Lt. Daniel F. Johnson,
Miami, Fla.

T/Sgt. James R. Elder,
Jefferson, O.

Pfc. William C. Hester,
Russellville, Ala.

Sgt. Rex DeBarr,
Worthington, W.Va.

Pfc. Romeo A. Vigeant,
Pawtucket, R.I.

Pfc. Garland L. Huffman,
Newton, N. C.

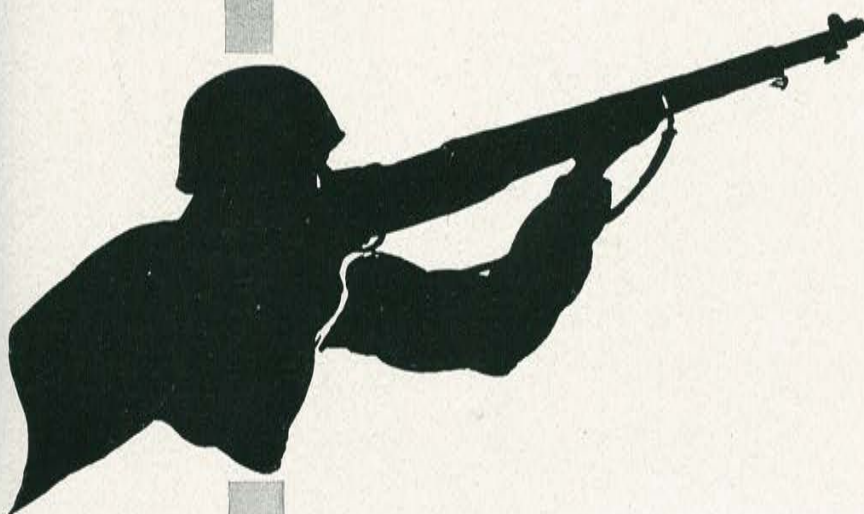
S/Sgt. Jack Pariso,
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Pfc. Jerome Weiss,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. John H. Jessen,
Elkhart, Ind.

Sgt. Edward Puck,
Mahanoy City, Pa.



"G" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. William S. Butler, Commanding





Captain Blackmer Scraps As He Leads His Company

By Norbert Salpeter

This is the "wild and wooly" story of Capt. Benjamin "Batling" Blackmer, South Dorset, Vt., an infantry company commander who fights alongside his men as well as commands.

The Captain's company had just taken its objective and was awaiting orders when the enemy attacked the left rear, using heavy mortar and machine gun fire. Without hesitation the captain took off through the fire to the vicinity of the attack.

Enroute, he killed four Krauts. The attack was repulsed. The enemy then switched their attack to the forward platoons. Again the "Batling" Captain went forward, regrouped his men, and then, fighting side by side with the riflemen, helped to repulse the several thrusts.

Meanwhile, a radio message came ordering the company to return to the positions from which they had "jumped off" that morning. Blackmer started to lead the men back but the enemy in the meantime had built up a strong line of defense across the route of the Yanks.

Firing his M-1, the Captain led the way through the enemy line. Almost within reach of their objective, their progress was halted by the fire of a Jerry machine gun. Again the "Batling" swung into action. Slowly he crawled to a position where he could fire on the gun and with several accurate shots killed the three of the crew.

While engaged with the machine gun crew the Yank had observed that the Krauts now were using the foxholes which they had vacated that morning. Ordering the men to attack, he crawled to within ten yards of another machine gun nest and with a hand grenade destroyed both enemy gun and crew. The men staged a fierce fight, wiping out the 40 Krauts who had made the mistake of seizing their positions.

Shortly before dusk the enemy launched an attack on the company to the right, forcing it to withdraw to defensive positions. The situation was critical. Enemy troops were closing in from all directions. Already they were strongly entrenched on both flanks, and had penetrated through the woods behind the company, cutting off the road to the rear. The Captain made plans for the break through.

Under cover of night he led the men through the thick woods and swamps, liquidating the several enemy gun positions they came upon. Traveling by compass, Blackmer managed to infiltrate his company through the enemy back to friendly elements.

Enemy fire forces doughboys to take cover along ditch

17 Men Trapped Six Days In German Held Village

This is the story of 17 men who for six days remained trapped in the cellar of a house in a town completely in the hands of the enemy.

The two squads of 45th Division riflemen, led by S Sgt John F. Blatt, Philadelphia and Sgt Edward L. Garrett, Washington, D. C. had crossed the river that divided the town, and had fought their way to their objective, a few houses at the far edge of the village. Suddenly, four Mark VI tanks and two flak wagons drove down the road and parked between the two houses the Yanks were in. Enemy infantry infiltrated from the flanks, blew up the bridge over the river behind the Americans.

By nightfall when no rations had been brought up, the 17 men realized that they were the only Americans in town.

That night men from each squad slipped out to the wells in the back of their respective houses and drew water for their buddies. German tanks patrolled the street.

"The second day," continued Pfc Philip S. Puglisi, Paterson, New Jersey, "was relatively quiet. Ar-

tillery pounded the town, but not in our sector."

The third day dawned with bitter artillery barrage. Rations already had been consumed, but the dough-boys had found a few over-ripe apples and musty potatoes in a corner of the cellar.

"On the fourth day," said Pfc Charles L. Bowen, Randolph, New York, "the krauts started to search the houses. A group of 20 stopped in front of our house, started to enter it, then changed their minds and went across the street to another dwelling. Our cigarettes were finished, but one fellow managed to police-up enough butts to give us all a few short puffs."

On the fifth day, American forces made an attempt to seize the town, but strong enemy reinforcements stalled the attack.

At 3 a. m. of the sixth day the 45th launched its attack. Artillery tanks and mortars pounded the town. By noon the German armor was in retreat, and by 2 p.m. the kraut infantry were pulling out.

"Suddenly," related Sergeant Garrett, "we heard a woman yelling something about the Yanks. Cautiously, we stepped out into the street and there were those GIs. Boy, what a pretty sight they were!"

Civilian cleaning up after the battle has passed through the town of Erweiler





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1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. James M. Simpson,
Lagan's Ferry, Pa.
Pfc. Gregory D. Morrissey, Jr.,
West Haven, Conn.
Pfc. Floyd Ely,
Roswell, N. M.
Pfc. Harry D. Mirijanian,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Pfc. Frank J. Urban,
Albany, N.Y.
Pfc. Richard A. Lambertson,
Fords, N. J.
Pfc. Steve M. Muha,
McKees Rocks, Pa.

2nd ROW

Sgt. John J. Gorski,
New Haven, Conn.
Pfc. Philip S. Puglisi,
Paterson, N. J.
Pfc. Charles P. Gallagher,
Drexel Hill, Pa.
Pfc. Ralph J. Ziolk,
Mahanoy City, Pa.

Pfc. James W. Hensel,
New Matamoras, O.
Cpl. Wilmer Hirschbock,
Lebanon, Pa.
Cpl. Raffaele J. Mancaruso,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Sgt. Thomas M. Allen,
Reidsville, N. C.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Robert Fulwiler,
Loyal, Wis.
Pfc. Billy Bustram,
Grand Rapids, Mich.
S/Sgt. Kingsley T. Allen,
Wolcott, Ind.
1st Lt. Oscar C. Rudner,
(Exec. Officer),
Lansford, Pa.
1st Lt. William S. Butler,
(Comdg. Officer),
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
1st Sgt. Floyd Mayhall,
Idabel, Okla.
Pfc. Charles H. Cook,
Fredonia, Kan.

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1st Lt. Charles F. Roberts,
Bradford, Pa.
S/Sgt. James O. Cason,
Idabel, Okla.
S/Sgt. John J. McKeown,
Carnegie, Pa.
S/Sgt. Harold E. White,
Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Sgt. Marvin Henderson,
Anadarko, Okla.
Cpl. Jobert F. Slayton,
Boyer, W.Va.
Pfc. Lawrence Hand,
Bronx, N.Y.
Pfc. Earl E. Foust,
Montoursville, Pa.
Pfc. John Prieslac,
Pittsburg, Pa.
S/Sgt. Earl G. Lovejoy,
Tipton, Okla.
T/Sgt. Joseph Wynne,
Long Island, N.Y.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Sigmund A. Gidelski,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Henry F. Kidd,
Ashton, O.
Pfc. Donald J. Smith,
Butler, Pa.

2nd ROW

Sgt. George Ellis,
Coatesville, Pa.
Pfc. Thomas E. Fischer,
Dayton, O.
Pfc. Buford G. Lewis,
Erin, Pa.
Pfc. Cristobal C. Ortiz,
El Paso, Tex.
Pfc. Alfred G. Hansen,
San Francisco, Cal.
Pfc. Henry R. Thompson,
Tucson, Ariz.
Pfc. Westley W. Whitmore,
Jamestown, N.Y.
Pfc. Winfield S. Frye,
Muscotone, Iowa
Pfc. Alejandro Garduno,
Santa Fe, N. M.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Walter I. Martin,
Yasoo City, Miss.

Cpl. Eugene Kolu,
Duluth, Minn.
Cpl. Paul Gabriel,
Lincolnton, N. C.
Cpl. Orval P. Sims,
Santa Paudo, Cal.
Pfc. Hubert V. Kent,
Vernon, Tex.

Pvt. Joe Wallace,
Crale, Pa.
Pfc. Dewitt Hauser,
Winston Salem, N. C.
Pvt. Randall A. MacDonald,
Johasburg, Vt.
Sgt. Desiderio G. Trujillo,
Albuquerque, N. M.

4th ROW

S/Sgt. Charles Smith,
South Lyon, Mich.
Pfc. Jay Foster,
Olean, N.Y.
Pfc. James T. Soper,
Richmond, Ind.
Pfc. Richard O. Powell,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Arthur Weiss,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Ferrett Watson,
Munising, Mich.

Cpl. Lester Simons,
Menasha, Wis.

Pfc. William R. Sreaves,
Senaca, Mo.
Pfc. Sherman S. Machen,
Birmingham, Ala.
Pfc. Alvin B. Spencer,
Sulphur Springs, Tex.

5th ROW

T/Sgt. Walter E. Spaninger,
Chicago, Ill.
2nd Lt. Arthur B. Evans,
Springfield, Pa.
S/Sgt. Charles T. Bradfield,
Paw Paw, W.Va.
Pfc. Benjamin S. Tomasi,
Silverton, Col.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Anthony Marano,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Pvt. John F. Simermeyer
(Medic),
New York, N.Y.
Pfc. George Miclea,
Toronto, O.
Pfc. Everett Pacheco,
Providence, R. I.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pvt. Charles Ruble,
Boisseveain, Va.

Pfc. Homer I. Parker, Jr.,
Bremen, Ala.

Pfc. Paul A. Jones,
Terrell, Tex.

Pfc. Arthur J. Roy,
East Detroit, Mich.

Sgt. Gilbert Flannery,
Charlottesville, N. C.

Pfc. David W. Holloway,
Revere, Mass.

Pfc. Hyman Feldman,
Colchester, Conn.

Pfc. James E. Phillips,
Douglas, Ga.

Pfc. Thomas R. Coffee,
Seminole, Tex.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Howard K. Brown,
Dayton, O.

Pfc. Donald Gregg,
Burlington, Iowa

Pfc. Howard P. Schreiber,
Dallas, Tex.

Pfc. Wilbur H. Schrieber,
Elgin, Ill.

Pfc. Robert H. Hoffman,
Lebanon, N. J.

Pvt. Robert Barnes,
Bristol, Pa.

Pvt. Jared H. Wiggins,
Montgomery, Ala.

Sgt. George F. Killeen,
Sommerville, Mass.

Pfc. Thomas J. Schloetzer,
Topeka, Kan.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Sherman A. Fillerup,
Spokane, Wash.

Pfc. Fredrick H. Schnapf,
Evansville, Ind.

Pfc. Randall E. Nicholas,
Kinsman, O.

Cpl. Floyd W. Ray,
New Castle, Tex.

Cpl. Victor L. Hickey,
Abbeville, Miss.

Pvt. Warner Cook

Pfc. Odis F. Simpson,
New Burn, N. C.

Pfc. Harry D. Mirijanian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sgt. Carl A. Helfin,
Barberton, O.

4th ROW

Pvt. William Patton (Medic),
Coal Fort, W. Va.

T/Sgt. Donald C. Sargent,
Gilbertsville, N. Y.

Cpl. Roy Kinard,
Cisco, Tex.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Casimir Lacic,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Pfc. James D. Keeling,
Avery, Tex.

Pfc. Edward Mackey,
Seattle, Wash.

Pvt. Roy Mundy,
Buchanan, Va.

1st Lt. Ernest O. Nothelfer,
New York City, N. Y.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Raymond G. Hanson,
Larchmont, N.Y.

Pfc. William L. Zimmerman,
Murlborough, N.Y.

Pfc. James C. Uphold,
Newburg, W.Va.

Pfc. Joseph S. Blair,
Rose City, Mich.

Pfc. Gerald J. E. Roy,
Manchester, N. H.

Pfc. Lester J. Gornito,
Wilmington, N. C.

Pfc. Francis Green,
St. Louis, Mo.

Pfc. Marvin W. Greer,
Gloswow, Ky.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Paul J. Hanlon,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Paul S. Woodard,
Selma, Ala.

Pfc. Manuel Sancillo,
Shaw, Miss.

Cpl. Abe Dornblatt,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Louis A. Martino,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Leander B. Hall,
Lawrence, Miss.

Pfc. Francis M. Smith,
Delkarton, W.Va.

Pfc. John J. Manuli,
Yonkers, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. James E. Kolewelter,
Bradley, Ill.

Pfc. Marvin E. Seifert,
Bethlehem, Pa.

Pfc. Paul B. Bope,
Canton, O.

Pfc. Byron F. Echols,
Oneonta, Ala.

Pfc. Leopoldo L. Delgado,
San Angelo, Tex.

Pvt. Ralph A. Meese,
Wahoo, Neb.

Pvt. William S. Maikanz,
Louisville, Ky.

4th ROW

Pfc. James C. Elmore,
Austin, Ky.

2nd Lt. Arren G. Ayers,
Farmont, N.C.

T/Sgt. Doff Williams,
Bickley, W.Va.

Pfc. Frank L. Zukoski,
Norwich, Conn.

Pfc. William B. Forrester,
High Springs, Fla.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Johnny Szarama,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Mike Bradza (Medic),
New York, N.Y.

Sgt. Raymond C. Sherman,
Coyle, Okla.

Pvt. Clarence E. Davies,
Lancaster, Pa.

Pfc. Robert H. Acker,
Philadelphia, Pa.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Stanley L. Niestyzowski,
Noswich, Conn.

Pfc. Leonard Dubsy,
Cicero, Ill.

Pfc. Bruce B. Eddie,
Long Beach, Cal.

Pfc. Edward E. Harlow,
Bowling Green, Ky.

Pfc. Ray Hardesty,
Platform, O.

Pfc. Nelson E. Gunther,
Eldorado, Kan.

T/Sgt. Harry Jerowski,
Boston, Mass.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Walter J. Schaffer,
Cincinnati, O.

Pvt. David W. Thomas,
Lorain, O.

Pfc. Burton Stotler,
Prague, Okla.

Pfc. Elwood Hagen,
Ogden, Utah

Pvt. Harold E. Backus,
Evansville, N.Y.

Pfc. Cyril D. Skunta,
Johnstown, Pa.

Pfc. Edward W. White,
Wilmington, Del.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Robert A. York,
McKee, Ky.

Pfc. Leon L. Jutras,
Welfeboro, N. H.

Pfc. Harry Trimble,
Lafayette, Ind.

Pfc. Edward H. Scully,
Harvey, Ill.

Pfc. Kenneth Kerr,
Clarksville, Tex.

Pfc. Russel Hamacheck,
Madison, Wis.

Pfc. Donald H. Smith,
Muskegon, Mich.

4th ROW

Pfc. Connie Kamer,
Paris, Tex.

Pfc. Charles L. Godfrey,
Murphy, Ore.

Pfc. Arnold Kalass,
Slayton, Minn.

Pfc. Robert Mehring,
Littlestown, Pa.

Sgt. Frank L. Polasek,
Elcampo, Tex.

Sgt. Richard A. Singer,
Erie, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

1st Lt. Theodore B. Woodward,
Oakland, Cal.

S/Sgt. Glenn E. Koenig,
Seattle, Wash.

S/Sgt. Henry G. James,
Mobile, Ala.

Pfc. Thurman E. York,
High Point, N. C.

Pfc. Woodson Groom,
Grant City, Mo.

Sgt. David C. Arehart,
Johnstown, Pa.

Pfc. Elston L. Thomas,
Ringgold, La.

Pfc. Vincil McWilliams,
Holly, Col.



"H" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. Lionell V. Childress, Commanding



McNeill Totes MG, Ammo; It Comes In Very Handy

By George F. Dennis

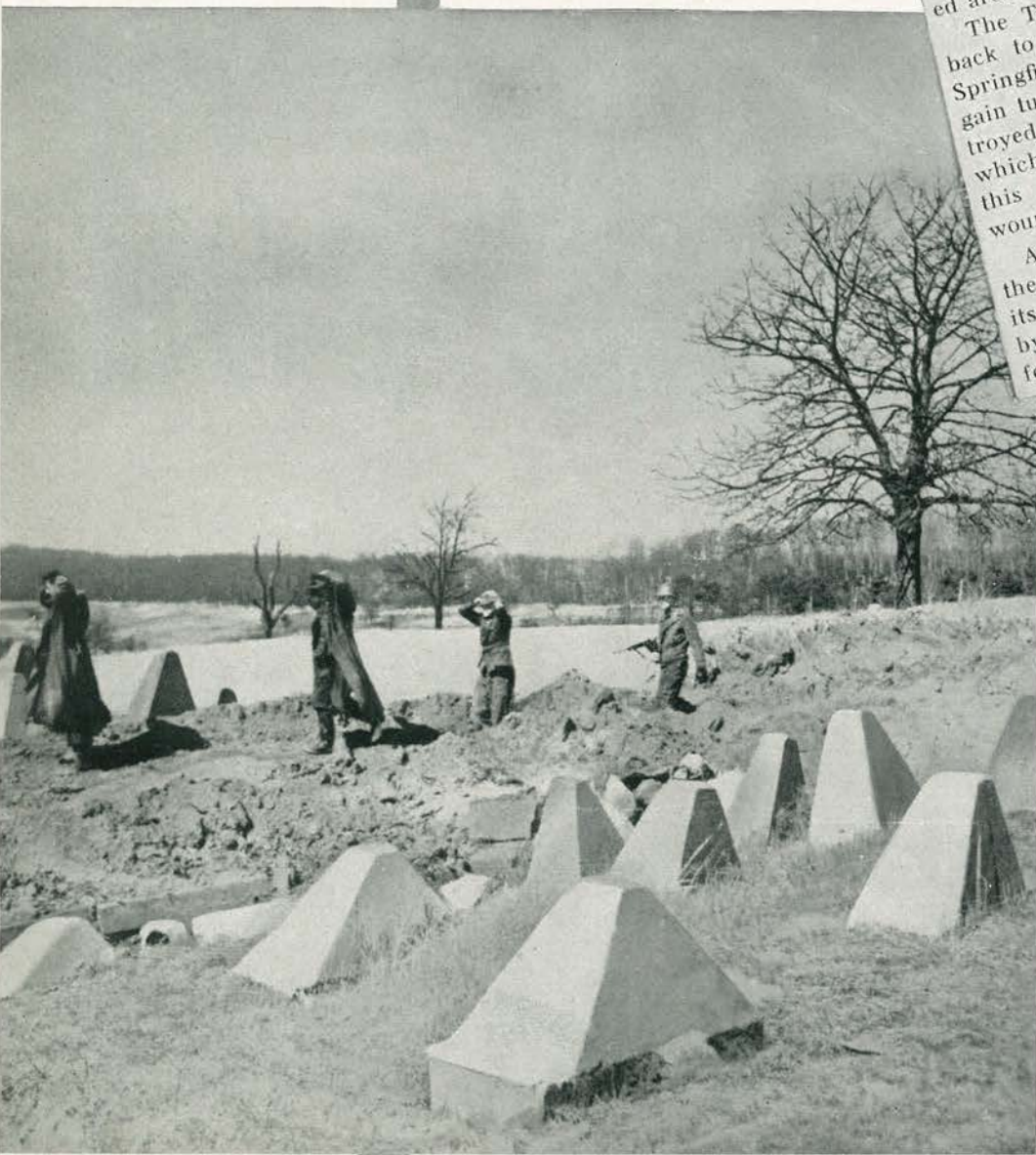
Any GI who can carry a fully mounted light machine gun, weighing 60 pounds, with a box of ammunition so that he could fire it on the way, and at the same time direct a rifle squad in storming enemy strongpoints may be classified as a soldier indeed.

It was during the March on Rome that St. Sgt. John W. McNeill, LaGrange, Tenn., was pacing his rifle squad in an attack across a heavily-mined wheat field against strongly defended enemy positions. Part of the way the American doughboy fired his machine gun from his hip in Western style.

When his platoon was pinned down by Jerry fire, Sgt. McNeill dragged his machine gun to a point from which he was able to kill or wound 10 Germans grouped around a machine gun.

The Tennessean made his way back to his comrades and got a Springfield rifle with grenades. Again turning on the Nazis, he destroyed another machine gun nest which was holding up a squad. In this action he killed two and wounded three Krauts.

As a result of McNeill's deeds the platoon advanced and captured its objective: which was defended by two platoons of Jerries, using four machine guns.



Marching prisoners back
through the Siegfried Line

Thunderbird Corporal Escapes

Makes Good on Second Attempt to Break Away From Forced Labor

Corporal Lloyd C. "Blackie" Greer of Lindsay, Oklahoma, has returned to his Thunderbird Division line company after spending more than three months dodging Germans between Rome and the Anzio Beachhead.

Twice he was captured and twice he escaped. It was in February that the Krauts took Greer and it was in May that the intrepid Oklahoman came back to Allied territory.

Cpl. Greer, although a platoon runner, became a gunner on one of the light weapons when the three-day action began. At one stage of the heavy fighting, the Oklahoman and an ammo bearer held an important position. Greer sent 1,500 rounds of lethal shells into the Kraut and finally ran out of ammo.

Greer sent his buddy forward to the supply dump for more ammo. But when the private failed to return, the Corporal went in search of him. Reaching the dump, Greer found three Nazis covering him. They had taken the ammo bearer prisoner.

The Boche marched the two men back from the lines. Then they joined a group of 11 other prisoners and were escorted to the rear by a score of Germans and while an Allied artillery barrage was in progress.

"Just after we were captured," recounted Greer, "a German colonel told us, 'For you the war is finished. In three days the others will be swimming in the sea.' We were then lined up, face to the wall, with hands over heads, and forced to stand that way for about 45 minutes. 'The enemy didn't bother with the wounded who couldn't walk. They killed them on the spot.'

"I was five yards away from the spot when two of them machine-pistoled an American soldier to death.

"Upon reaching a point two miles behind the lines, we were interrogated by a German officer. Some of our boys talked rather freely, but they didn't know very much. I was informed that I was a poor soldier after being questioned and refusing to give military information," Greer added.

"Can you read a compass?" quizzed the German officer.

"No."

"Can you read a map?"

"No."

"You didn't learn much then, did you?" retorted the interrogator.

"According to the Nazi soldier's viewpoint, our artillery whistles more than does theirs. They are really afraid of it and of our airplanes. They say they aren't afraid of American infantrymen, but they won't face cold steel. They prefer to close in to a point where they can use their 'blorp' guns and other automatic weapons of which they have an abundance.

"I stayed at a sub-prison four days before I was able to escape. For breakfast we had colored water which they called tea. Dinner consisted of sauerkraut and potatoes mixed. Supper was one loaf of bread for five men with each getting a cube of margarine. It wasn't very nourishing.

Red Cross parcels and that we would be moved in a few days. At the time there were 700 English and Americans in one building which could accommodate only about 200. They usually kept from 100 to 150 men there for work details and shipped the others farther north to a base prison.

"I was kept behind to work on roads which our bombers kept knocking out. They kept us busy, too."

Four days later, Corporal Greer made his first escape. He kept dodging German patrols and kept on the move until in April the Nazis recaptured him and two other Americans.

"We were taken to a sub-prison 20 miles north of Rome," the corporal related, "and were quizzed as to where we got our food and clothes, who sheltered us, and did we have any connections with any organizations who were assisting escaped prisoners. We told the officer that we stole everything we needed."

"Upon recapture I was forced to stand at attention in the cold for 24 hours without food or water. Whenever I relaxed, a guard would jab me with a bayonet and straighten me up. During the night, however, I had a Polish guard for two hours and he permitted me to rest.

"The next morning they gave me a loaf of bread and some margarine to split with the two other recaptured prisoners. Then we began working on the road again.

"At one time, three men tried to escape. One made it, but two were caught between two barbed wire fences. They were later beaten severely by the German soldiers. One received a broken nose and both were badly bruised. An American medical captain patched them up the best he could.

"I worked on the road until late April, at which time I managed to escape again.

For one month I covered a lot of territory, staying eight days in Rome and the rest of the time commuting between Artena and Norma. At one time I was taken sick and had a temperature of 103 for three days, but I finally got over it.

"In May I watched an advance combat patrol of the Canadian-Americans wipe out a Kraut machine-gun nest. It was at that point that I managed to join the patrol. The following day I was back with my outfit.

"I was none the worse for my experience," Corporal Greer concluded, "except that I weighed 160 pounds when I was captured and only 130 when I finally rejoined my company three months later."

Maintaining communications by radio during the battle





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Pfc. Melvin D. Jones,
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and these were my
buddies on the line.

Autographs



3rd BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Marcel J. Derouen, Commanding



180th Fights Way Into St. Benoit

The Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star was awarded to:

Lt. Col. Daniel K. Ahern, infantry, Buffalo, Wyo., who commanded a battalion which was heavily counterattacked after a river crossing. Colonel Ahern went to a platoon position and called for light mortar fire on the enemy, assisting the platoon leader in defense of his position. When a LMG was left unmanned because of casualties, the Colonel manned the gun efficiently until a news gunner was assigned. The counterattack was repulsed.

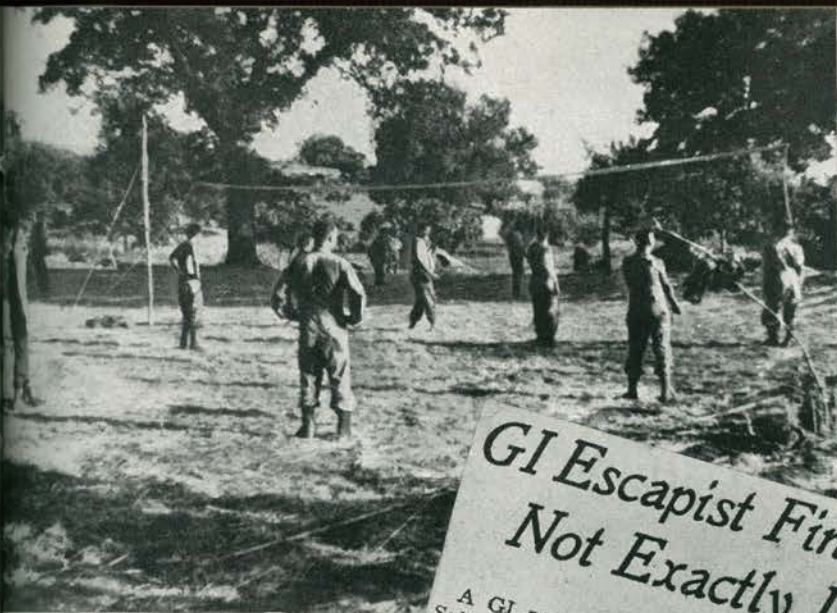
Laveline Virtually Liberated by 143rd

Monday Was Bargain Day for Holder of PW Pass

The strongly fortified town of St. Benoit was liberated by elements of the 180th Infantry Regiment late yesterday afternoon. After pushing forward against tough enemy resistance consisting of artillery, multi-mortar and machine gun fire, the doughboys were forced to smash their way through four strong roadblocks before they were able to penetrate the town. On the eastern edge of St. Benoit, small pockets of krauts were trapped and late last night were being mopped up, 17 from the 192 Armored Infantry Regiment being taken prisoner. Captured enemy equipment in this area included two 20 mm flak wagons.

Captured Germans wearing GI uniforms





Relaxing at the "Dust Bowl", prior to the landings in Southern France

GI Escapist Finds Radio Sally Not Exactly Down His Alley

A GI met Sally in person! Yep, is verbatim from the official report, "she's about 40, a battle-axe young and charming Sally with the endearing voice and the skin you'd love to touch!"

The lucky fellow was Pfc. Lloyd X—of the Thunderbird Div. During our line developed a small salient. Lloyd was out on the point. His ammo ran out. When he went back to get some reserve ammo he had hidden, he found three Germans waiting for him. A trip to a PW camp north of Rome followed.

Then to the camp came Sally and George.

"What", said the interrogating officer, "is Sally like?"

"Well, sir", said Lloyd, (and this is verbatim from the official report), "she's about 40, a battle-axe and had little legs."

"In other words," said the officer, "if she were a foot shorter, she'd be Mrs. Five by Five."

"Yes, Sir," said Lloyd, "any guy who wants something like that sitting under the apple tree waiting for him, there's something wrong with him!"

"And George?"

"He's a German 1st Lieutenant," said the Infantry man.

And it may be added here, that this Thunderbird flew the cage late in April, slowly working his way south through the German lines, finally contacting one of our patrols.

Preparing for the attack





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Pfc. Delmar Brawley,
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2nd ROW

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Pfc. Frank Schultz,
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Sgt. Oliver McGovern,
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Pfc. John Teodorski,
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S/Sgt. George Cunningham,
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Pfc. John Anzolin,
Woodside, N.Y.

Pfc. Charley Adams,
Dayton, O.

S/Sgt. Lester Haydell,
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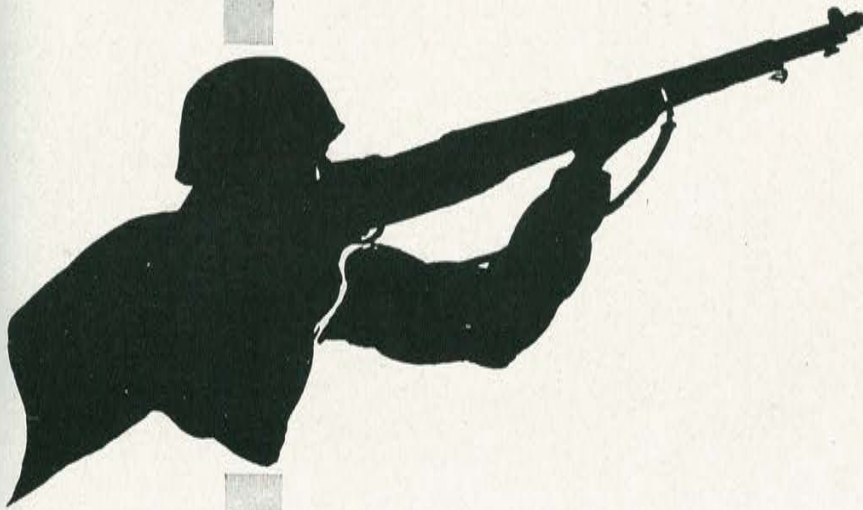
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"I" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. Stephen T. Uurtamo, Commanding





Co. I's Take is 79 As they Cross River

By Fred Sheehan

At 6:30 one evening last week, at the sun was setting behind the hills in back of them, I Company was given orders that was to give them their first taste of river crossing and street fighting. The Krauts already had blown the bridges leading to the other half of town, but one had settled above the river, enabling the paddlefeet to slide down one side, put up a ladder on the other and climb up. Even the French people were enthusiastic; they furnished the ladders, two small ones.

The first platoon pulled the detail of crossing the river first.

The platoon's first scout, Pvt. J.B. Livingston, Algood, Tenn., raced across the damaged bridge carrying one of the ladders, followed by the rest of the platoon. But, while he was still making the ladder fast, Pvt. Francis Boyd, Colton, N.Y., scurried up the ladder and had begun the fight.

"The opened up on me right away," said Boyd, "but the sergeant and I shot right back at them."

The sergeant was Sgt. Clifford Anderson, Webb City, Okla., who followed Boyd up the ladder.

The heavy weapons company, in the meantime, were firing across the river, and machine gun bullets and mortar shells were bursting all around the platoon.

Company L, the night before, had run into a lot of sniper fire on the other side of the river, and I Company's first platoon was taking no chances. They fired at everything — windows and shadows, and even the trees. The artillery, which was short with its first few rounds, burst in the trees lining the river, throwing branches and shell fragments down into the streets. The infantrymen thought, at first, it was snipers. There was too much going on to be sure.

"Our objective," Sergeant Anderson said, "was the high ground up in back of the town, and we made right for it."

But on the way, five Krauts stumbled out of one of the alleys leading into the main street, and

got between the three lead men and the rest of the platoon. Three were shot and the other two escaped down another alley.

At 7:30 — one hour after the river crossing began — the company was in possession of the wooded high ground. They dug in, set out outposts and waited. There were no casualties in the river crossing.

As the dawn broke, the Germans pulled off their inevitable counterattack. They had infiltrated during the darkness, past the outposts and had intermingled positions with the second platoon.

Off to the right the 1st platoon could see what was going on, but they held their fire till the Germans opened up.

The Kraut attack was at first stymied, then beat off, and I Company counted their take, 79 in all. Twenty-three EM, one officer, prisoners; 39 dead, 11 wounded, and five stragglers.

Prisoners being ferried back across the Rhine to PW cage

Co. I, 180th, Wins Commendation On Moselle Crossing

The outstanding performance of Co. I, 180th Inf., in its crossing of the Moselle River near Epinal last September 23 and 24 this week brought a special commendation from Maj. Gen. Robert T. Frederick, division commander.

On the afternoon of the 23rd, the company was ordered to cross the river on a blown bridge and secure high ground on the far bank that dominated the city of Epinal, a vital communications center.

Co. I men took with them several ladders, carrying them into the machine gun and mortar fire the enemy had set up to prevent their crossing.

Racing down the fallen span, they quickly placed their ladders against the next span, still standing. They climbed to the top, and raced across to the far shore.

On land, the company encountered snipers, outposts and patrols, but managed to retain their small bridgehead. Daybreak of the 24th brought a counterattack by two German infantry companies.

Caught in poor defensive positions, Co. I, nevertheless, hung on, and fought tenaciously. From their exposed positions they repulsed the Krauts after killing 40 and taking 35 prisoners.

The resourcefulness, determination and fighting spirit displayed by Co. I, 180th Inf., were largely responsible for the securing of an important communications center, and reflect credit upon the members of the United States and the Army of the United States, the commendation concludes.

Nobody Wet This April But Sakash

By L. B. Sheppard

The month of April has been a comparatively dry month for everyone, but not so for Pfc. Abe Sakash, Co. I, 180th Inf.

At the close of one of the few rainy days Co. I settled down for the night in a small German town and established its CP in a farmhouse. Platoon runner Sakash, from Barnesboro, Pa., was sent with Pfc. Ed Werner, Orange, N. J., to contact their platoon in the woods not too far away.

En route, Sakash spotted what looked like a Kraut Superhighway out in the sticks and it headed in the right direction. He jumped down onto it, but instead of a hard surfaced road, Sakash landed neck-deep in water. Werner, who hadn't been misled by the glimmer of the Kraut stream, reached in and pulled out the dripping platoon runner.

Sakash still in the lead, the two set out again for their platoon over a different route. But they hadn't gone 500 yards when Sakash found himself up to his neck in another creek.

Werner took over the lead and led the runner by the hand back to the platoon.

Winter home on German soil





COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. Joseph M. Tuscano,
Westerly, R.I.

S/Sgt. George L. Le Gross,
N. Cambridge, Mass.

1st Lt. Stephen T. Uurtamo,
(Comdg. Officer),
Chicago, Ill.

1st Lt. Ralph D. Wennblom,
(Exec. Officer),
Hudson, S.D.

Cpl. Andrew Avidisan,
Worcester, Mass.

Sgt. Robert F. Treon,
Shamokin, P.

Cpl. Edward P. Kipp,
Mansfield, O.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Orval P. Leibrick,
Gridersville, O.

Pfc. William Kotas,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. John M. Spreitzer,
Maspett, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Vernon Howard,
Calvert City, K.

Pfc. William F. Trusilo,
Phila., P.

Sgt. Billy Tso,
Shiprock, N.M.

Pfc. Charles Rutledge,
Concord, Vt.

Pfc. John Gertner, Jr.,
Iliff, Col.

Sgt. Aloysius Pecos,
Bernalillo, N.M.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Richard Watson, Jr.,
Eckhart, Md.

1st Sgt. George H. Olsen,
Everett, Wash.

Pfc. Edward Morris,
Oakpark, Ill.

S/Sgt. Gerardo A. DeStefano,
Phil., Pa.

Pfc. Charles P. Combs,
Sioux City, Iowa

Pfc. Elford A. King,
Stockbridge, Mass.

Pfc. William C. Vosicky,
Cicero, Ill.

Pfc. Charles K. Schindler,
Chicago, Ill.

NOT PICTURED

1st Sgt. Paul W. Campbell,
Boston, Mass.

Cpl. Harvey King,
St. Charles, Mo.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Wm. Graham,
Lansing, Mich.

Pfc. Karal L. Stucky,
West Concord, Minn.

Pfc. Jack McNair,
Winnsboro, S.C.

Pfc. Frederick J. Mullavey,
Wheeling, W.Va.

S/Sgt. J. B. Livingston,
Rickman, Tenn.

2nd Lt. George Larry,
Detroit, Mich.

T/Sgt. Wm. R. Booth,
Orleans, Ind.

Pfc. James W. Eickman,
Hermiston, Ore.

Pfc. Norman Frannea,
Detroit Lakes, Minn.

Pfc. Nathan L. Ray,
Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Pfc. Clyde H. Murphy,
Briston, Okla.

Sgt. Charles B. Stevens,
Sagnaw, Mich.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Tyrus R. Rice,
Danville, O.

Pfc. Arthur Page,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Pfc. Robert Hewitt,
Rochester, N.Y.

Pfc. John F. Valentini,
Chisholm, Minn.

Pfc. Erskin W. Peery,
Miston, Tenn.

Pfc. Eldred M. Stevens,
Wabash, Ind.

Sgt. Sam C. Sparks,
Bellflower, Cal.

Pfc. Jim D. Edgar,
Tenabo, Nev.

Pfc. Louis Radulovich,
Chicago, Ill.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Walter A. Yaeger,
Staunton, Ill.

Pfc. Robert E. Gray,
Indian Valley, Idaho

Pfc. Norman H. Flandermeyer,
Blackburn, Mo.

Pfc. Raymond M. Syrjanen,
Embarrass, Minn.

Pfc. George Snook,
Worthington, Mass.

Pfc. Harold Johnson,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. Alberto Moreno,
Corpus Christi, Tex.

Pfc. Andrew H. Savinski,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Cpl. Jesse C. Robledo,
Victorville, Cal.

S/Sgt. Frank Wilcox,
Chicago, Ill.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Clifford Anderson,
Webb City, Okla.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Edwin N. Deboy,
Portland, Ind.
Pfc. Edward W. Werner,
Orange, N.J.
Pfc. James A. Young,
Williamsport, Pa.
Pfc. Wm. D. Gebhardt,
Flint, Mich.
T/Sgt. Huckleberry Scott,
Stilwell, Okla.
S/Sgt. Lowell L. Schaubert,
Marion, Ill.
Pfc. Theodore Moulton,
Lakeport, N. H.
Pfc. John W. Legge,
Ada, O.
Pfc. Rex T. Nobel,
Lacona, N.Y.
Pfc. James R. Nichols,
Franklin, O.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Charles W. Haynes,
Eastaboga, Ala.
Pfc. Adolph Stucki,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Cam M. Morris,
Rash, Ala.
Pfc. Wm. E. McGinley,
Montpelier, Vt.
Pvt. Eligio Mangosio,
Oxnard, Cal.
Pfc. Stanley E. Richardson,
Cambridge, Mass.
Pfc. Wm. C. Schaede,
Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. Albert Garcia,
Oakcreek, Col.
Pfc. Emery A. Sakash,
Barnesboro, Pa.
S/Sgt. Alfred F. Mele,
Long Island, N.Y., N.Y.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Leslie C. Back,
Dumcombe, O.
Pfc. Emil B. Mach,
Ennis, Tex.
Pfc. Lawrence Johnson,
Buyhalia, Miss.
Pfc. Donald L. Lingwall,
Sidney, Neb.

Pfc. Angelo Massimino,
Monaca, Pa.
Pfc. Robert J. Forbes,
St. Simons, Ga.
Pfc. Kenneth D. Lynn,
Jacobus, Pa.
Pfc. Marion Owens,
Oneida, Tenn.
Sgt. Elmer J. Mueller,
Hermann, Mo.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. John Schwartz,
Providence, R.I.
Pfc. John L. Jones,
Ashland, Ore.
Pfc. Lester E. Hawkins,
Mt. Jackson, Va.
Pfc. Robert D. White,
Havana, Ark.
Pfc. Lopey D. Damaso,
Elgin, Tex.
Pfc. Clair Valentine,
La Crosse, Wis.
Pfc. Thorton Horton,
Portsmouth, Va.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Dale C. Light,
Cowallis, Ore.

Pfc. Aaron W. Hay,
Miami, Fl.

Pfc. Ralph L. Stephens,
Atto, Ga.

Pfc. George Lambard,
Phoenix, Ariz.

T/Sgt. Harley L. Stayton,
South Bend, Ind.

S/Sgt. Donald Gaughan,
New Lisbon, N.Y.

Cpl. Ernest Osburn,
Atlanta, Ga.

Pfc. Frank J. Horvath,
Hannibal, Wis.

Pfc. Porfie D. Peralta,
Anaheim, Cal.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Tommy D. Jones,
El Centro, Cal.

Pfc. Angelo Morgante, Jr.,
Astoria, L.I., N.Y.

Pfc. Peter J. Mollo,
Hyde Park, Mass.

Pfc. John C. Steinhouse,
Grangeville, Idaho

Pfc. Eugene J. Kelly,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Arlington E. Storm,
Stroudsburg, Pa.

Sgt. Billy Tso,
Gallup, N.M.

Pfc. Herbert A. Long,
Pittston, Pa.

Sgt. Edward M. Huddleston,
West Point, Ind.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Vernon J. Childers,
Sanborn, Iowa

Pfc. Robert L. Gregory,
Cochmanton, Pa.

Pfc. Cleto Yocomella,
Clayton, Idaho

Pfc. George F. Dahm,
Hillside, N.J.

Pfc. Gerald R. Stacy,
Ashland, Wis.

Pvt. Chester P. Dobrowolski,
Newark, N. J.

Cpl. Murray H. Stacia,
Roanoke Rapids, N.C.

Pfc. Edwin F. Wyre,
Tulsa, Okla.

Pfc. Louis L. Main,
Independence, Mo.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Oscar A. Akins,
Summerfield, Kan.

Pfc. Austin Herb,
Lebanon, Pa.

Pfc. Ernest Zecher,
Franklin, O.

Pfc. Gilbert Goldenberg,
Patterson, N.J.

Pfc. Eugene E. Hofstedt,
Superior, Wis.

Pfc. Joseph H. Greenberg,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pvt. Jose Martinez,
Los Lunis, N.M.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Harry R. Kelch,
New Richmond, O.

S/Sgt. James R. Hefner,
Granite Falls, N. C.

2nd Lt. Robert H. Hall,
Harrisburg, Pa.

S/Sgt. Offie G. Griffin,
Conyers, Ga.

Pfc. Norman L. Spiegel,
Moline, Ill.

Sgt. Clarence R. Nelson,
Erie, Pa.

Pfc. Calvin J. Pease,
Tacoma, Wash.

Pfc. Edwin A. Pagel,
Sandusky, Mich.

Pvt. Maynard E. Francis,
Troy, O.

Pfc. Harley Caithamer,
Cicero, Ill.

Pfc. David H. White,
Lancaster, Pa.

Pfc. Charles Harper,
Elkins, Va.

Pfc. Harry A. Sheeran,
Houston, Tex.

Pfc. Marcel Desfosses,
Nashua, N. H.

Pfc. Harold R. Marker,
Racine, Wis.

Pfc. William J. Brick,
Long Island City, N.Y.

Pfc. J. B. Manus,
Winder, Ga.

Pvt. Dillard Bucklen,
Pilgrim Knob, Va.

Pfc. Charles Berner,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. William J. Otto,
Jacobsburg, O.

Pfc. Edward E. Ashe,
Mineville, N.Y.

Pfc. Harry C. Booe,
Mundaz, Tex.

Pfc. Allen W. Bumpus,
Plymouth, Mass.

Cpl. Auther J. Duva,
Detroit, Mich.

2nd ROW

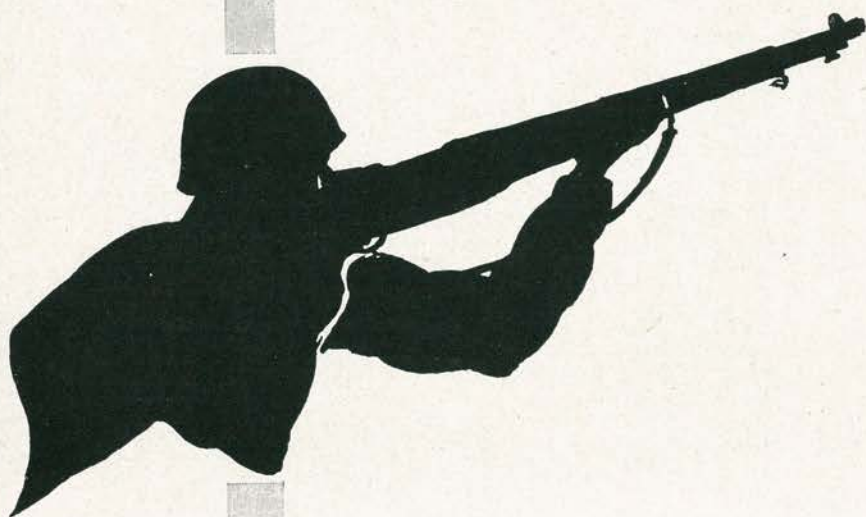
Pvt. Joseph Boutilier,
Kearny, N.Y.

Pfc. Ralph R. Boucher,
Lewiston, Me.

Pfc. Joseph P. Pakos,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Harold J. Kruszka,
Chicago, Ill.



"K" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Elbert L. Bias, Commanding



K Co. of 180th Inf. Wins Unit Citation

For its ferocious attacks on Siegfried Line fortifications last December 17-19, Co. K, 180th Inf., this week was cited. The attacks carried out by the company, without any special equipment or support, resulted in the capture of seven concrete pillboxes, their connecting trenches and 50 prisoners.

Another 50 Germans were wounded boxes and drove off the defenders, using only their standard infantry equipment. They had to beat off two enemy counterattacks before they could go on with their mission.

The action started when other units of the battalion were stopped by fire from the enemy positions, and Co. K was assigned the mission of flanking enemy fortifications and taking them from the rear.

Passing through the sector of another unit, Co. K men engaged two of the pill-

At dusk on the 18th, K men reached the strongly fortified hill they had been ordered to reduce. Before dark, they attacked and took another pillbox. But by this time the enemy had cut off the com-

pany from the rest of the battalion. Wire communications were cut, and no supplies could come up.

While the company prepared for an attack in the morning, the enemy counterattacked it from the rear with a large force firing rocket launchers and machine guns.

K Co. executed a quick flanking movement, killed 15 of the attackers and drove off the rest.

By this time, ammo and food were running low, but the cut-off company ambitiously assaulted four pillboxes, connected by deep trenches, which had been holding up the entire 3rd battalion.

With hand grenades and small arms fire, K men drove defenders from the trenches. They then used white phosphorous grenades to flush enemy personnel from the fortifications.

One company, short of supplies, cut off from the battalion, had cleared the way for the battalion.

Members of the company who participated in the action are entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badges as a permanent part of their uniform. Men assigned since the action will wear the badge as long as they remain in K Co.

Across the Blies River into Germany



Nuremburg Is Taken

45th Routs Nazis From City's Ruins

Adolf Hitler's birthday this year was not celebrated with the usual Nazi pomp and ceremony. The great Nazi day — April 20th — marked the fall of their shrine city of Nuremburg.

The city, only 170,000 of its population still there, was considered captured at 4 p.m. Friday, although a small pocket of Germans continued to hold out in a tunnel and fighting was going on there four stories below the ground.

Nuremburg, which dates back to the 14th Century, was the largest city to be credited to the might of the 45th Division.

As in Aschaffenburg, the high Nazi official at the Bavarian city issued a Fight to the Last order, and also like Aschaffenburg as soon at the order was issued the Nazi leader fled the city. The party leader at Nuremburg was Julius Streicher, who was on hand with Hitler and Goering at the original Munich beer hall putsch when the Nazi Party was first formed. Streicher originally played a much bigger party role but had been shelved because he wasn't considered mentally up to par with the other party big shots.

The city of Nuremburg, too, was a party pet. In the past years the Nazis held their annual festivals there and it was at these shindigs that the party leaders would get together in the back room of a beer stube to formulate the Nuremburg Laws — the basis for the many racial and religious persecutions they carried out.

Nuremburg was taken by the 45th after three phases and three days of fighting. The Krauts' first stand was well outside the city. Later they fell back to the town itself, and from there to the walls of the 14th Century "old city." With only 4,000 troops left, the Krauts put up their toughest fight at these ancient walls, but it was a losing battle all the way.

After the first day, the Thunderbirds succeeded in knocking out or capturing half of the 88's used in the defense of the town. Ninety dual-purpose 88's in all were kyoed at the famous Nuremburg Stadium, and later the artillery commander, Major Schrock, was captured.

One outstanding Thunderbird in the battle for Nuremburg was 1st Lt. Elbert Bias, Washington, D.C.

The lieutenant led the assault of Co. K, 180th Inf., on the walls of the old city and single-handedly accounted for rounding up 30 Krauts who were holding up the advance of the company.

Opposing King Co. were 250 of the Supermen, 30 of whom were holed up in the cellar of a house which formed part of the wall around the old city. A heavy steel door was the only entrance to the Kraut's position. Lieutenant Bias first directed tank fire against the door as the 30 Krauts returned the fire with machine guns from steel reinforced concrete slits in the cellar.

When the tank couldn't penetrate the heavy door, Lieutenant Bias decided to blow it with dynamite. He loaded 50 pounds of the demolition charges on his back and crawled to the entrance of the German citadel, where he set off the primer and raced off to a place of safety. Getting away, Bias was slightly wounded by a Kraut bullet.

As the charge exploded the lieutenant raced to the open door, but the Krauts saw him first. He was wounded slightly again.

This time, Bias decided to wait till morning before cleaning out the Kraut nest.

At 8 a.m. he worked his way back to the blown door, stuck in the muzzle of his M-1 and started a short fire fight. For the third time, Lieutenant Bias was wounded slightly. But by now the 30 Germans had had enough. They marched out with their hands up and opened the way for the Thunderbird breaching of the inner line of defense of the city of Nuremburg.

That afternoon the only defense of the city was four floors below the ground and that was quickly wiped out.



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Tobias Auster,
Jamaica, N.Y.C., N.Y.
Pfc. William H. Cairns
Philadelphia, Pa.
Pfc. Clair E. Summers,
York, Pa.
Pfc. Edward W. Ertel,
Harrah, Okla.
Pfc. Francis H. Dougherty,
Wilmington, Del.
Pfc. Frank Breitbarth,
N.Y.C., N.Y.
S/Sgt. Clay A. Putman,
Melrose, N.M.
Sgt. Eugene Sarkin,
Republic, O.
Pfc. John Dobrzonski,
New Bedford, Mass.
Pvt. Donat L. Turcotte,
Haverhill, Mass.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Ray Poore,
Rosehill, Va.
Cpl. Frank Herring,
Floyd, N.M.
Cpl. Howard P. Woodling,
Ellet, O.

Pfc. Alvie C. Mognet,
Jones Mills, Pa.
Pfc. Frederick G. Allen,
Cleveland, Tenn.
Pvt. Jack W. Mayo,
Miami Springs, Fla.
Cpl. Andrew Christy, Jr.,
Fredericktown, Pa.
Pfc. Damascus D. Byars,
Waleska, Ga.
Pfc. Estevan Sanchez,
Penasco, N.M.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Peter M. Getz,
Cleveland, O.
Pfc. Leon F. Anderson,
Sheffield, Pa.
Sgt. Elmer E. Stewart,
Waverly, Ill.
1st Sgt. Willard M. Gabriel,
Waterloo, Iowa
1st Lt. Elbert L. Bias
(Comdg. Officer),
Washington, D.C.
2nd Lt. Howard J. Henkes
(Exec. Officer),
W. Los Angeles, Cal.

Pfc. Charles E. Conklin,
Sleatsburg, N.Y.
Pfc. Wesley L. Anderson,
Vinton, Va.
S/Sgt. Hilario F. Lopez,
Newkirk, N.M.
Cpl. Hubert E. White,
Fallingrock, W.Va.
Pfc. Elmer Masterana,
Canton, O.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. Walter Murphy,
Charleston, Mass.
Pfc. Herbert H. Muir,
Waverly, N.Y.
Sgt. Albert Freeman,
Sweetwater, Tex.
Pfc. Willie J. Massey,
Coolidge, Ga.
Pfc. William R. Price,
St. Louis, Mo.
Pfc. Warren T. Cover,
Pickerington, O.
Pfc. Samuel F. Torres,
Las Cruces, N.M.
Pfc. John W. Howard,
Galena, O.
1st Sgt. Albert W. Jones,
McCalester, Okla.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Calvin C. Doddroe,
Columbus, Ohio

Sgt. Lester L. Leshner,
Lancaster, Pa.

Pfc. Frank Thompson,
Collinsville, Ala.

Pfc. Winnette L. Throneberry,
Amarillo, Texas

Pfc. John W. Goesle,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Pfc. William H. Teeares,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Walter T. White,
Richmond, Va.

Pfc. Robert S. Tuebner,
St. Albans, N.Y.C., N.Y.

S/Sgt. James R. Durham,
Mendota, Ill.

S/Sgt. John J. Oliver,
Albany, N.Y.

Sgt. Russell S. Saldi,
Le Roy, N.Y.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Francis J. Duffy,
Bronx, N.Y.C., N.Y.

Pvt. Charles H. van Alostyne,
Johnstown, N.Y.

Pfc. Earl Kleinert,
Goldsboro, N.C.

Pfc. William W. Wilson,
Arlington, Va.

Pfc. Keith U. Waning,
Newcastle, Me.

Pfc. Jessie L. Vowell,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Pfc. Robert J. Wilken,
Chicago, Ill.

Pvt. Arthur N. Stein,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Sgt. Theodore A. Noke,
Boston, Mass.

Pfc. Ernest M. Trogdon,
Asheboro, N.C.

3rd ROW

Pvt. Sol Lakin,
Bronx, N.Y.C., N.Y.

Pvt. John H. Baker,
Springfield, Ore.

Pvt. Edward E. Powers,
Leavenworth, Kan.

Pfc. Novin Waters,
Center Ridge, Ark.

Pvt. William R. Jr. Gum,
St. Louis, Mo.

2nd Lt. David D. S. Cecil,
Highpoint, N.C.

T/Sgt. Victor C. Purvis,
Eugene, Ore.

Pfc. Preston D. Tomlinson,
Big Island, Va.

Pvt. Ale H. Pellinen,
Bovey, Minn.

Pvt. Edmund F. Kurdziel,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Nicholas Grieco,
Jersey City, N.J.

NOT PICTURED

Pvt. Stanley G. Knight,
Oxford, Miss.

Pfc. Thomas L. Gibson,
Yuba City, Calif.

Pfc. Nath. W. Hawks (Medic),
Lynchburg, Va.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Peter O. Liebhaber,
Wells, Minn.

S/Sgt. David G. Payne,
Takoma Park, Md.

Pfc. Clair R. Klawitter,
Mt. Caramel, Pa.

Pfc. Leon W. Kelsey,
Jonesboro, Me.

Pvt. Earl Moore,
Reading, O.

Pfc. Edward F. Lundrigan,
Brandon, Vt.

Pfc. Burnes Walton,
Dundalk, Md.

Pfc. Clair J. Urbanek,
Coupon, Pa.

Pvt. Walter C. Stephens,
Bethlehem, Pa.

Sgt. Samuel A. Parker,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Pfc. Joe Uselton,
Shelbyville, Tenn.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Robert D. Gossard,
Spokane, Wash.

Pfc. Edward Kulba,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Junior Slaven,
Osayka, Miss.

Pvt. Tony Attuso,
Baton Rouge, La.

Pfc. Fred E. Tomczyk,
Garfield, N.J.

Pfc. Maurice A. Kindhart,
Quincy, Ill.

Sgt. Henry E. Weikel,
Lebanon, Pa.

Pvt. Robert H. Case,
Penacook, N.H.

Sgt. Harold A. Tracy,
Bangor, Me.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. Maurice B. Schultz,
Lansdale, Pa.

Pfc. Kenneth A. Lagoni,
Madison, Wis.

Pfc. Paul A. Karbon,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Pfc. Sylvester A. Stile,
Indiana, Pa.

T/Sgt. Walter J. Casey,
South Amboy, N.J.

Pfc. Earl W. Lagassee,
Battle Creek, Mich.

Pfc. William D. Thompson,
Alderson, W.Va.

Pfc. Alexander L. Kostka,
Hartford, Conn.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Raymond R. Neuber,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Pvt. David L. Barker,
Phoenix, Ariz.

Pfc. James B. Summers,
Nashville, Tenn.

Pfc. Thomas A. Gloster,
Springfield, Mass.

Pfc. Eugene Gillespie,
Charleston, W.Va.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Kenneth J. Wagschal,
Johnstown, N.Y.
Pvt. Harold Z. McCurry,
Bee Log, N.C.
Pvt. Howard S. Lang,
Annapolis, Md.
Pvt. Edwin Pearson,
Vineland, N.J.
Pvt. Milford M. Weegens,
Freeport, Ill.
Pfc. Quinton V. Hall,
Samiria, S.C.
Pfc. Paul B. McAtee,
Trimble, O.
Pfc. Elijah J. Counseller,
Sicklersville, N.J.
Pfc. William E. Alford,
Leakesville, Miss.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Ernie M. Stokes,
Cambridge, Md.
Pvt. Elmer L. Martin,
Spruce, Mich.
Pfc. Filadelfio M. Cardenas,
Trinidad, Col.

Pfc. Thomas L. Ball,
Milwaukee, Wis.
Pfc. Thedric McConnell,
Henryetta, Okla.
Pvt. Hugh G. Mansell,
Roswell, Ga.
Pvt. Tony L. Martinez,
Big Springs, Tex.
Pfc. Samuel Thompson,
Garden City, Mich.
Pfc. Fletcher D. Mercer,
Georgetown, S.C.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Richard L. Standley,
Grand Island, Neb.
Pfc. Edward A. Henry, Jr.,
Louisville, Ky.
Pfc. James A. Hood,
Eupora, Miss.
Pfc. Vito Tocco,
Detroit, Mich.
2nd Lt. John M. Pearcey, Jr.
(Platoon Ldr.),
Laurel, Miss.
Pvt. George H. Meier, Jr.,
Blairstown, Iowa

Pvt. Floyd W. Clark,
Chincoteague, Va.
Pvt. James J. Harkins,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
S/Sgt. Joseph J. Stillio, Jr.,
Glassport, Pa.
Cpl. Manliff C. McCaw,
Millville, N.J.

NOT PICTURED

Cpl. Hugh D. Hutchens
(Medic),
Greenville, S.C.
T/Sgt. Joseph Barron,
Perth Amboy, N.J.
S/Sgt. Louis R. Mangrum,
Spiro, Okla.
Pvt. Radivoy Tapavica,
Los Angeles, Cal.
Pfc. Marvin F. Sims,
Chico, Cal.
T/Sgt. Stephen S. Pilat,
Northampton, Mass.
S/Sgt. Howard R. Schultz,
Cleveland, O.
Pfc. Mervin E. Owens,
Tanglewood, Tex.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Paul S. Missale,
Bronx, N.Y.C., N.Y.
Pfc. Carmen J. Lombardo,
Hempstead, L.I., N.Y.
Pfc. Bernard Hoinsky,
Bridgeport, Pa.
Pfc. John H. Parker,
Baxter, Ga.
Pfc. Raymond H. Schlapinski,
Chicago, Ill.
S/Sgt. James F. Moxley,
Shreveport, La.
Sgt. Hugo H. Otto,
Three Rivers, Tex.
Sgt. Carl F. Sontag,
Hazy, W.Va.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Calvin E. Payne,
Chusney, Ind.
Pfc. Fred R. Martin,
Bradley, Ill.
Pfc. Sammie H. Rosson, Jr.,
Lubbock, Tex.

Pfc. Victor C. Ricciardi,
Chicago, Ill.
Pvt. Herman Shendell,
West Haven, Conn.
Pfc. Elmer F. Pfeifer,
Portland, Ore.
Pfc. Robert B. Kemp,
Jacksonville, Ill.

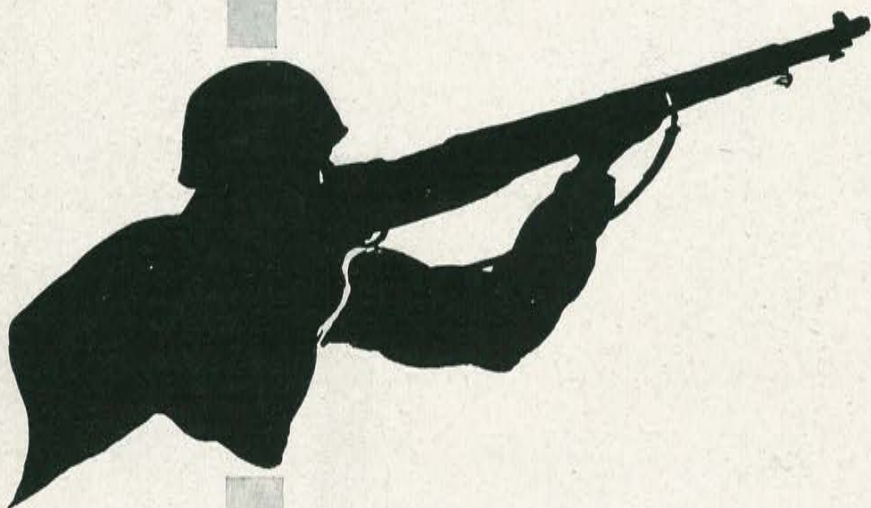
3rd ROW

Sgt. Wayne Bickel,
Knox, Ind.
Pfc. Robert M. Jones,
New Britain, Conn.
S/Sgt. Frank A. D'Angelo,
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
2nd Lt. James F. McKoane
(Platoon Ldr.),
Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. William P. Kelley,
Bristol, Conn.
Pfc. William J. Heath,
Bristol, Conn.

NOT PICTURED

S/Sgt. Joseph L. Vecchio,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Sgt. Joseph Slezak,
Fruitport, Mich.
Pfc. Armand J. Gelinas,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Carlos E. Boyer,
Ellsinore, Mo.
Pfc. James F. Scozzari,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. David M. Elder,
Quail, Ky.
Pfc. Joseph F. Matrangola,
Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Francis J. Silver,
Avon, Conn.
Pvt. Leonard Rose,
Bronx, N.Y.C., N.Y.
Pfc. Walter R. Jones,
Springfield, Mo.
Pfc. Leonard O. Jones,
Shirley, Tenn.
Cpl. Marenus P. Kempe,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Pfc. William Amos,
McAllister, Okla.



"L" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Leland L. Woods, Commanding



Circus Stunt Uncovers Post

It looked like a circus act when Lt. L.G. Delay, Co. L, 180th Inf., Athens, Ga., fell off a cliff and landed in a German camouflage net.

He bounced and turned a summersault in the air. Then the boys knocked out the Siegfried position that was discovered under the net.

Expert? Lucky? Shot Killed Two

"I don't know whether it was just luck, or I'm a better shot than I think I am," modestly explained Pfc. William Tackaberry. He knocked out a Kraut by hitting the rifle grenade on his Mauser.

Bill and his squad from the 180th were attacking a trench manned by several Krauts. Tackaberry's mission was to flank the trench and attempt to enter it as his buddies made a frontal attack.

"Two Krauts were just about to take off. I hollered to them to surrender, but they kept going. I hollered again, and when they still didn't stop I fired one round.

"The shot hit the rifle grenade on the rifle of one of the Krauts, causing it to explode, disposing of both supermen," said Bill.



Scene during the Battle for Reipertsweiler, Alsace, France

L Co. Men First Into Germany

Kraut Hunt Leads Them Over Border

The sign read "Achtung-Frontier," and four months to the day after the 45th's landing in Southern France, the second platoon of Company L stepped over the German border.

The crossing was a photo finish with two other companies in two other divisions, and which outfit was first to enter the Reich on the Seventh Army front probably never will be determined.

The Thunderbird platoon received information from a civilian that there were five Krauts in front of them a little way. They couldn't see anyone, but they deployed and kept going on up the hill.

On the road they passed the Frontier sign, looked at their maps and found a line of X's. This was it—Germany.

St. Sgt. John Kauffmann, Long Beach, Calif., Sgt. Joe Evans, Nathalia, Va., Pfc. John Duke, Charleston, S.C., Pvt. James Lynch, Newark, N. J., and 1st Lt. Richard Barnes, Siloam Springs, Ark., were the first of their company to cross.

They didn't hesitate long on the boundary. They observed small stone markers dated "1826," but at the same time they caught sight of two Krauts up the hill. So they entered Germany firing their M-1's. The two Krauts scampered over the

crest, and lost themselves in the fringes of the homeland.

The crossing came at 12:45 p. m., December 15.

Deeper into the Reich, the men found few civilians. Most of these were feeding their livestock as the Yanks approached. The Germans seemed unmoved by the sight of the invasion of Holy German soil.

In one place paddlefeet reported a few Germans waved to them cautiously.

But none of the first Thunderbirds in the Reich remembered the wild ovations given the advancing division in Sicily, Italy and France. Most of them were replacements.

The day before the infantry entered, 1st Lt. James Griese, Coffeerville, Kas., and St. Sgt. Morgan Walker, Chandler, Okla., flew over the enemy border at 2:30 p.m. at an altitude of 5,000 feet to register artillery. These, so far as the News could learn, were the first Thunderbirds to cross the border.

The Fatherland's first taste of 45th military might apparently came at one minute after six the evening of December 12, when Lt. Col. Russell Funk, Oklahoma City, called for one round from all 12 guns of a battalion on a German coordinate. Target was enemy personnel in a Kraut town, effect was unknown, and the results were unobserved.

Doughboys passing through one of many road blocks during the last drive through Germany





COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Johnny R. Herrian,
Bison, Okla.
Pfc. Chester Hubbard,
Barbourville, Ky.
Pfc. Rodney J. Moulton,
Indian Lake, N.Y.
Pfc. Herbert E. Nelson,
Le Roy, Mich.
S/Sgt. Thaddeus Swiec,
Lawrence, Mass.
Cpl. Floyd J. Sartin,
Kermit, W.Va.
Pfc. Wallace F. Lowe,
Howell, Mich.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Lawrence H. Sonyard,
Anderson, Ala.
Pfc. Allen J. Whitney,
Saugerties, N.Y.
Capt. Leland L. Woods,
(Comdg. Officer),
Hortshorne, Okla.

S/Sgt. John E. Walden,
Lexington, Ky.
Cpl. Willie P. Stanley,
Hartford, Ala.
Sgt. Clair E. Lines,
Rockford, Iowa

3rd ROW

Pfc. Wiley B. Dickerson,
Oxford, N. C.
Pfc. David F. Haynes,
Ingomar, Miss.
Pfc. Thomas M. Umstead,
Newark, N. J.
S/Sgt. Edward J. Traynor,
Auburn, N.Y.
Pfc. Walter Zywar,
Wilmending, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

Lt. Charles S. Parks,
Indiana, Pa.
Pfc. Joseph A. Kelly,
Jersey City, N. J.

Cpl. Maynard L. Olsen,
Fargo, N. D.
Pfc. Eli Bukus, Jr.,
Sharon, Pa.

Pfc. Aaron S. Seidman,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Cpl. Leo R. Weine,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Cpl. William C. Shehorne,
Cache, Okla.
Pfc. John E. Hershberger,
South Bend, Ind.
Pfc. Fred C. Foley,
Lawrence, Mass.
Pfc. Otto A. Rindfleisch,
New Haven, Conn.
Pfc. Oscar J. Joffray,
Belleville, Ill.
Pfc. Leslie J. Schmidt,
Brookline, Mass.
Pfc. Felix W. Bala,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Charles C. Chrisman,
Shenandoah, Iowa
T/Sgt. Andrew K. Thompson,
Duncan, Okla.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Lowell R. Boner,
Mt. Vernon, O.
Sgt. Earl L. Huggins,
Missoula, Mont.
Pfc. Anthony J. McKensie,
Frostburg, Md.
Pvt. Oscar Capiello,
Blue Island, Ill.
Pvt. John F. La Londe,
Osweso, N.Y.
Pfc. Harry Beckner,
Shively, Ky.
Pvt. Carlton R. Smith,
Belfast, Me.
Pfc. Irvin Yorysh,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Fred T. Hart,
St. Louis, Mo.
Pvt. Donald L. Burkett,
Jamestown, N.Y.
Cpl. William T. Evans,
Portsmouth, O.
Pfc. Henry Dziurda (Medic),
Hamtramch, Mich.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Donald C. Carroll,
Chickasaw, Fla.

Pfc. Francis J. Ciolek,
Salamonca, N.Y.
Pfc. Coy Strickland,
State Line, Miss.
Pfc. Paul R. Hastings,
Floris, Iowa
Pvt. Joseph E. Rines,
Palermo, Me.
T/Sgt. Albert Opferman,
Pittsburg, Pa.
Pfc. William B. Wilder,
Rose Hill, Va.
Pfc. Beryl D. Yandell,
Carrizaza, N. M.
Pvt. Chester J. Tollick,
Chicago, Ill.
Cpl. Robert S. Bernard,
Concord, N. H.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Victor C. Carter,
Hampton, Ark.
Pvt. Charlie T. Payne,
Cascode, Va.
Pfc. John W. La Patra,
Watertown, N.Y.
Pfc. Richard J. Bessa,
Monico, Wis.
Pvt. Lowell L. Hunter,
Rockford, Ill.

Pfc. Lester C. Archer,
Ft. Madison, Iowa
Pfc. Raymond Bierbaum,
Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Cpl. Chester M. Skladzein,
Glen Lyon, Pa.
Pfc. August F. Pellin,
Youngstown, O.
Pfc. Kenneth C. Carroll,
Inglewood, Cal.
S/Sgt. Anthony A. Jozaitis,
Nashua, N. H.

NOT PICTURED

1st Lt. Garnet E. Tarr,
Hamilton, Mont.
Pfc. Glen A. Pepple,
Waynesboro, Pa.
S/Sgt. Lloyd Hornsby,
Cinn., O.
Pvt. Lee T. Bailie,
St. Louis, Mo.
Pvt. Buster McCurtain,
McCallister, Okla.
Pfc. David H. Haynes,
Ingomar, Miss.
T/Sgt. Stanley C. Walters,
Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Donald Dirks,
George, Iowa



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Eugene Priester,
Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. Stanley J. Zakrzewski,
Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. Willard Consford,
Bonifay, Fla.
Pfc. Joe Sugar,
Denver, Col.
Pvt. Amelio G. Salvitti,
Watertown, Mass.
Pvt. Howard J. Dupuis,
Breaux Bridge, La.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Robert D. McKellogg,
Lorain, O.
Pfc. William H. Vincent,
New London, Conn.
Pfc. Clive R. Winter,
Wilton, Me.
Pvt. Guy M. Beene,
Hughes, Ark.
Pfc. Stanley J. Waskowitz,
Irwin, Pa.
Pfc. Alvin F. Pepper,
Hopkinsville, Ky.
Pfc. Harry G. Wagnitz,
Oconomowoc, Wis.

Pfc. Hugh C. Logan,
Des Moines, Iowa
Pfc. Richard L. Lantheaume,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Sgt. John L. Duke,
Charleston, S. C.
Pfc. William Loeper,
Ashland, Pa.
Pvt. Alexander Peluso,
Fonda, N.Y.
Pfc. Fred W. Wells,
Cedarhurst, L. I., N.Y.
Pvt. Jesus C. Silvas,
Sabinal, Tex.
Pvt. Willard Miller,
Tahlequah, Okla.
Pvt. Joseph Straub,
Syracuse, N.Y.
Pfc. William Wachter,
Baltimore, Md.
Pvt. William H. Green,
Joppa, Ala.

4th ROW

Sgt. John Fairclough,
New York, N.Y.
T/Sgt. Raymond L. Bonesteel,
Grafton, N.Y.

5th ROW

Pvt. Ted R. Mounts,
Ft. Gibson, Okla.
Sgt. James D. Dunn,
Huntingdon, Tenn.
Pfc. Leonard H. Mazza,
Chester, Pa.
Pfc. Joe A. Cantrell,
Huddy, Ky.
Pfc. George C. Lyster,
Begannock, N. J.
Pfc. G. C. Wray,
Lawndale, N. C.
Pfc. Adrain I. Dillon,
Kearney, Mo.
Pvt. James Neville,
New York, N.Y.
Sgt. James A. Dodd,
Fisher, Ark.

NOT PICTURED

2nd Lt. Marvin C. Pickard,
Burlington, N. C.
Pfc. Frank A. Verbrugge,
San Francisco, Cal.
Pvt. Tommy Leslie,
Greenville, S. C.
S/Sgt. Joe E. Evans,
Nathalie, Va.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Michael Olesh,
Olyphant, Pa.
Sgt. James J. King,
Maspeth, N.Y.
S/Sgt. Felix Schmidt,
Levanworth, Kan.
Pfc. Edwin Zampieri,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Cpl. Charles Owens,
Vernon, Tex.
Pfc. Roland N. Walker,
Sand Springs, Okla.
Pfc. Lester L. Binkley,
Batavian, O.
Pfc. Richard Lampereur,
Green Bay, Wis.
Pfc. James E. Johnson,
Coral Ridge, Ky.

2nd ROW

Pvt. Edward G. Ruff,
Jamaica, L. I., N.Y.
Pvt. Grant C. Mellot,
Needmore, Pa.
Pvt. Lewis E. Drake,
Moravia, N.Y.

Pfc. Joseph J. Zucco,
Chicago, Ill.

Pvt. James Nuttall,
McGrow, N.Y.

Pfc. Monroe Beim,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Pfc. Stanley Wojcek,
Lublin, Wis.

Sgt. William J. Dietz,
Quakertown, Pa.

3rd ROW

Sgt. James S. McCourtney,
St. Louis, Mo.

Pfc. Robert E. Bullock,
Jersey Shore, Pa.

2nd Lt. Robert C. Bryan,
Tampa, Fla.

Pfc. Alex Lepak,
Auburn, N.Y.

Pfc. Paul J. Zachmeier,
Mandan, N. D.

Pvt. Riley L. Crum,
Taplin, W. Va.

Pfc. Arthur Catchpole,
Rimer, Pa.

Pfc. Glen C. LeMense,
Green Bay, Wis.

4th ROW

Sgt. Larry Zerega,
St. Louis, Mo.

Pfc. Prentice Waters,
Glenville, Ga.

Pfc. Claude Fesmire,
Holey Springs, Miss.

Pfc. Edward Miller,
Sheridan, Wy.

Pfc. John McDevitt,
Marshall, N. C.

S/Sgt. Norbert Kammer,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pfc. Charles Bastian,
San Jose, Cal.

Pfc. John Varnadoe,
Lumber City, Ga.

Pfc. George Bachman,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Pfc. John J. Kelly,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pvt. Mike Szegda,
Ann Arbor, Mich.



4th PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Sgt. Walter J. Davis,
Summerville, Tenn.

Pfc. John H. Singleton,
Greenville, S. C.

Pfc. George F. Lallensack,
Manetowoc, Wis.

Pfc. Fred Latham,
Warren, O.

Pfc. Chester A. Duty,
Omar, W.Va.

Pfc. Elmer C. Wade,
Visalia, Cal.

Pvt. George Focks, Jr.,
Duquesne, Pa.

Pfc. Mike Bayus,
Warren, O.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Thomas Zornes,
Bueyrus, O.

Pfc. George J. Davenport,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Gale R. Hershback,
Bremerton, Wash.

Pfc. William Mintier,
Mt. Vernon, O.

Pfc. Joseph Sudol,
Clinton, N. J.

Pfc. James F. Harris,
Bonne Terre, Mo.

Sgt. Woodrow R. Wilson,
Bluefield, W.Va.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Michael J. Sylvester,
Plymouth, Pa.

Pfc. Manuel M. Silva, Jr.,
Newark, N. J.

Pfc. Harvey J. Plamondon,
Sanford, Me.

Sgt. Stephen J. Donchez,
Bethlehem, Pa.

Pfc. George A. Smith,
Derby Line, Vt.

Pfc. John J. Bieszczad,
Olyphant, Pa.

S/Sgt. Eratus Foote,
Burnsville, Miss.

4th ROW

Pvt. Homer Smith,
Dexter, Mo.

Pfc. Prentice Camplin,
Louisville, Ky.

Pfc. Margarito Soto,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Pfc. Harold B. McCool,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Sgt. Charles J. Hannibal,
Upper Sandersky, O.

Pfc. Blanco M. Greene,
Bay City, Mich.

Pfc. Harry Lambing,
Kittanning, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

1st Lt. Leigh De Lay,
Salina, Kan.

Pfc. Robert W. Eskildsen,
Eureka, Mont.

Pfc. Daniel M. Bradd,
Owosso, Mich.



"M" COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

1st Lt. James P. Keefe, Commanding





Swift current, slippery bridge, and mortar fire as doughboys enter Germany

Love, Life and Laughter Screwballs Loose in France

IF THE 45th SAYS IT'S
SO — THEN IT'S SO

They were relaxing in a cafe of a little French town, Thunderbirds Sergeant H. D. Williams, First Sergeant Frank Smith and Corporal Furman Davis. Sipping his wine, the corporal was astonished to have a hen suddenly perch on his table.

"She winked at me," said the Yank, "as if to say, 'buddy, hang around awhile and we'll fix you up with some eggs.'"

"Whatever it was," swears Sergeant Marlow, "Davis insisted on getting out the grease, frying pan and stove. And by gosh, when the hen laid that egg 20 minutes later, he was ready for it."

Anzio Homestead Gardens Produce

Knowing the value of good camouflage Sgt. Charlie D. Evans, Tahlequah, Okla., first cook of Company M, planted some white beans, that he found in an abandoned Italian shack, on top of his dugout. They have sprouted and he looks forward to a good crop. Cpl. Otto N. Thelen, Reg. Hq. Co., mail clerk, Fowler, Mich., has cabbages growing on his roof.

Cpl. Fred Reuter, Cincinnati, and Pfc. Edward Casner, Pinckneyville, Ill., Company E, prefer fresh peas to canned ones. The other day they enjoyed the season's first batch of fresh peas, picked from their garden near the company kitchen. Mess Sgt. Bertie Adcock of Hooker, Okla., featured the vegetable for dinner that night.

86,400 Seconds; They All Seemed To Last An Hour

A day is only 24 hours long, but there are times when each of the 86,400 seconds seem an hour long—take the word of Pvt Josiah Holloway and S Sgt Theodore H. Young for that.

Holloway, a 180th Infantry machine gunner from Hollis, Long Island, and Young, a Jerseyville, Ill., soldier, were bedded down for the night in a house at the outskirts of an Alsatian town.

Their day started in the wee morning hours when kraut artillery started plastering the area.

"Most of the shells landed quite some distance from us," explained Holloway, "and we were beginning to think we had nothing to worry about. Then one shell landed in the next room! We got out of there so fast the only thing I remember is opening my eyes and finding myself in another house!"

Early that morning the pair joined a patrol whose mission was to scout the town for enemy positions.

"We already were in the town, but somehow it seemed too quiet," continued Holloway. "I turned to the patrol leader and asked him if he wanted me to return for my heavy machine gun. He just turned his head and casually answered: 'We just passed through a boche outpost and we're cut off.'"

Young picked up the story: "The krauts let us come into the village and then set up their roadblocks to prevent us from getting out."

"We proceeded down the main street for a few hundred yards when a German burp pistol opened up. We broke into small groups and scrambled into the houses along the street."

The patrol remained in hiding the remainder of the day and early next morning infiltrated back to their own lines.

Bringing the mail up to the front line soldiers

Jack's Reunited With Gal's Photo

Pfc. Jack Fagerstrom, Brooklyn, member of Co. M, recently found a photograph he had lost in Italy.

At Anzio, he left a photo of his girl friend in a fox hole he had to leave. Recently, at the Red Cross, he was surprised to find the photo on the bulletin board.



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pvt. John J. Vilcsek,
Cleveland, O.

Pfc. Robert K. Fisher,
Philadelphia, Pa.

T/Sgt. Boyd C. Vantine,
Temple, Okla.

Pvt. Glen L. Nichols,
Peggs, Okla.

Pfc. Patsy Grandinetti,
Syracuse, N.Y.

Pfc. William C. Macphetres,
Portsmouth, N. H.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Fred Chapman,
Lizella, Ga.

Cpl. Arthur George,
Stroudsburg, Pa.

Sgt. Charles Logvinovich,
Lawrence, Mass.

Sgt. John Fagerstrom,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Richard Wilver,
New Columbia, Pa.

Pfc. Benjamin Wildman,
Kansas, O.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Charley Evans,
Tulsa, Okla.

1st Lt. James P. Keefe,
(Comdg. Officer),
Norfolk, Va.

1st Lt. Albert J. Barron,
(Exec. Officer),
Fresno, Cal.

2nd Lt. John W. Rundle,
Crosby, Minn.

2nd Lt. Brentz F. Thompson,
Richwood, W.Va.

Pfc. Leslie Stewart,
Rochester, N. H.

4th ROW

Sgt. Ernest Brown,
Loco, Okla.

Cpl. Leeroy Neely,
Graham, Tex.

Pfc. Patrick McAvoy,
New York City, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Joseph Acquavita,
Valencia, Pa.

Cpl. Clinton Johnson,
Telehoma, Okla.

NOT PICTURED

1st Sgt. Frank Smith,
Tahlequah, Okla.

S/Sgt. William Walkingstick,
Baron, Okla.

Sgt. Clarence Treadway,
Lawton, Okla.

Sgt. Ralph D. Klene,
Ajo, Ariz.

Pfc. Garie W. Mullis,
Marroon, Ill.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pvt. Orel A. Griffith,
Phoenix, Ariz.

Pvt. Milton R. Floyd,
Corinth, Miss.

Pvt. Lamont H. Gromley,
Marion Center, Pa.

Pvt. Vernon Forbis,
Dixon, Mo.

Pvt. Willard S. Jones,
Evansville, Ind.

Pfc. Robert Dittmar,
Detroit, Mich.

2nd ROW

Pvt. Everett Z. Jones,
Kansas City, Mo.

Pvt. Alton Davis,
Jasper, Ala.

Sgt. Michael S. Vargo,
Portage, Pa.

Pfc. Luis R. Hernandez,
San Antonio, Tex.

Pvt. Henry A. Ellis,
Gaffney, S. C.

Cpl. Theodore Triandofolis,
Newburyport, Mass.

3rd ROW

S/Sgt. William Frattarola,
Greenwich, Conn.

T/Sgt. Roger A. Kutz,
Manson, Iowa

Cpl. Irwin Hoetzel,
Enid, Okla.

Pfc. Earl Wisler,
South Bend, Ind.

Pvt. Joseph J. Dunay,
Stafford, Conn.

4th ROW

Cpl. William C. Miles,
Bloomfield, Ind.

S/Sgt. Theodore H. Young,
Jerseyville, Ill.

Pfc. Gabriel Maldonado,
Gilo, N. M.

Pfc. Malcolm Williamson,
Smyrna, Tenn.

Pfc. Jerry H. Wampler,
Indianapolis, Ind.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Eshmel Adkins,
Charleston, W.Va.

Pfc. Aaron Rosan,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

T/Sgt. George Roach,
Stillwell, Okla.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

S/Sgt. Frank J. Bailey,
Bluefield, W.Va.

Pvt. Glenwood Husby,
Lansing, Mich.

Pfc. Clarke G. Nightingale,
Barrington, Ill.

Sgt. Robert S. Pratt,
Sacramento, Cal.

Pfc. Anthony Schab,
Chicago, Ill.

Pfc. Horace D. Waggner,
Sulphur, La.

2nd ROW

Cpl. Joseph Chervansky,
Fairfield, Conn.

Pfc. Arthur G. Abbot,
Dover, N. H.

Pfc. Harold Alford,
Pleasant Hope, Mo.

S/Sgt. Tony G. Studer,
Cold Spring, Ky.

T/Sgt. Clarence S. Jones,
Humboldt, Ariz.

Pvt. Paul E. Gribus,
Homer City, Pa.

Pfc. Roy E. Eads,
Fresno, Cal.

3rd ROW

Pfc. John D. Baker,
Winborn, Miss.

Pvt. William Guiles,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Pvt. Floyd H. Gerhart,
Ephrata, Pa.

Pfc. Lyle D. Peterson,
Irvine, Ky.

S/Sgt. Melvin L. Glantz,
Winfield, Kan.

4th ROW

Pfc. Garie Mullis,
Maroon, Ill.

Pvt. Herbert E. Chalk,
Melbourne, Ky.

Pfc. Robert W. Smith,
Peewakee, Wis.

Pvt. Able C. Embrey,
Tulsa, Okla.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Richard L. Wilver,
New Columbia, Pa.

Sgt. William F. Scanlon,
Worcester, Mass.

Pfc. Edward Chervansky,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. William Hanko,
Russford, O.

Pvt. Lavrada Chapa,
Wichita Falls, Tex.

Pvt. Orvin Christianson,
Oklee, Minn.

Cpl. Gilbert R. Miller,
Lyme, Conn.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Lloyd Mowery,
Oklahoma City, Okla.
S/Sgt. Alexander Skowronski,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Robert Derr,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Sgt. Ronald C. Smith,
Scottsdale, Pa.
Pvt. William T. Squire,
Waterbury, Conn.
Pfc. Milton Levinson,
Bronx, N.Y.
S/Sgt. Andrew M. Kolange,
Mayfield, Pa.
Cpl. Raymond S. Olowinski,
Erie, Pa.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Vernie B. Miller,
Trenton, Mo.
Pfc. Louis C. Poplaski,
New London, Conn.
Cpl. Claude W. Bolin,
Troy, Ind.
Pfc. Hurley Whitsell,
Greensboro, N. C.
Pfc. Roland A. Gallant,
Newton, Mass.
Cpl. Arthur Hammonds,
Concord, N. C.
Pfc. Thomas L. Tisho,
Hugo, Okla.

S/Sgt. Henry B. Lantry,
Helena, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Robert Wigington,
Akron, O.
S/Sgt. David Krill,
Montrose, Col.
Pfc. Wade L. Calhoun,
Grundy, Va.
Pfc. Thomas D. Lovejoy,
Detroit, Mich.
Pfc. Milan Pollack,
Bronx, N.Y.
S/Sgt. Julius Sword,
Letart, W. Va.
Pfc. George A. Tyler,
Vermontville, N.Y.

4th ROW

2nd Lt. Russell L. Fenn,
East Paterson, N. J.
1st Sgt. Robert R. Tidmore,
Ambridge, Pa.
Pfc. Bernard Q. Norris,
Haleyville, Ala.
Pfc. Elbert C. Thiess,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Charles Moore,
Boonville, Ky.
Pfc. Walter J. Kierkla,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. John M. Pronck, Jr.,
Pompton Lakes, N. J.

Pfc. Frank Halat,
Plymouth, Pa.

NOT PICTURED

T/Sgt. Anthony Rodriquez,
Fitchburg, Mass.
S/Sgt. Wehy J. Garabed,
West New York, N. J.
Cpl. Robert R. Steel,
East Orange, N. J.
Pfc. Eblee M. Robbins,
Sumiton, Ala.
Pvt. Alfred Carpenter,
Rock Springs, Wyo.
Pvt. Gabino Rosado,
New York, N.Y.
Pfc. Gerald K. Tremmel,
Altoona, Pa.
Pvt. Edward T. Fatula,
Linden, N. J.
Pvt. John R. Murdock,
Statesville, N. C.
Pfc. Leslie Stewart,
Rochester, N. H.
Pvt. Joseph A. Boucher,
Eagle Lake, Me.
Pfc. Clayton Woodworth,
Newberryport, Mass.
S/Sgt. Kenneth Chrismon,
Marlow, Okla.

and these were my
buddies on the line.

Autographs



HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Clay Gearhart, Commanding





Trailer used for signal repair shop

Massachusetts Hand Laundry Still Prospers

Pvt. John A. Davidson, jr., Brookline, Mass., and Pvt. James F. Polumbo, North Adams, Mass., GRO boys in regimental headquarters, manage to rake in a tidy sum from their daily washing despite short-live, cut-rate competition.

Pvt. Claude J. Reattoire, Adrian, Mich., just back from rest area and broke, took in washing to relieve his financial stringency. After a couple of days' hard labor, he gave up when he contracted «dishwater hands» and aching muscles. He returned to his duties at message center.

The Bay Staters continued their work nonchalantly, using boiling water, a bench, scrub brush, and their special brand of soap worked into the clothes with liberal elbow grease. Although they guarantee 12 hour service, with the help of the sun, they wish some of the men would stop cleaning their rifles with their clothes before handing them in to be washed.

Slips Away From Enemy Aid as Yank Shells Hit

Slightly wounded, captured and taken to an enemy medical station, Lieutenant Clay Gearhart, took advantage of the confusion caused by American shells and slipped away.

Making his way to a nearby cellar, the Lieutenant hid until it was safe to head for his own lines. Reporting to his unit, the officer described the American shells as the toughest part of his trip back. "Our boys certainly know how to lay them in," he said.

Muskogean Takes Part In International Soccer Game With French Team

Special to the Phoenix

WITH THE 45TH DIVISION, Seventh Army Front in France—In the first international soccer game held recently in France, the veteran Football Club Xertigny, the veterans of the Vosges provinces, champions of the American Liberators from the 45th division, 2 to 1.

For four years the champions were forbidden by the Germans to participate in their favorite sport, so in honor of the liberation the 45th division men were challenged to a game.

Prior to the kickoff the mayor of Xertigny presented the American Liberators with a trophy which was accepted by Pvt. G. Miles of Easton, Pa., team captain.

The Liberators seemed bewildered by the fine teamwork of the French team, but the brilliant playing of Lieutenant Laverson of Philadelphia, former Temple university star, and Pvt. B. Sharp of Marlinton, W. Va., limited the French to only two goals.

Among the Liberator players were S-Sgt. J. Cable of Muskogee, Okla.

MP's evacuating prisoners from Nuremberg





Scene of the first Regimental CP on German soil

CORPORAL ASSISTS IN THE BIRTH OF A CALF

Cpl. Ben Gray's truck had broken down with a flat tire. The 45th Division truck driver was busy repairing the tire when a French woman ran out of a nearby house calling for help. Not knowing what caused the distress, the Yank grabbed his rifle and followed the excited woman.

Entering the barn, he found a cow in the midst of giving birth to a calf. Rolling up his sleeves he went to work, and within a few minutes the calf was introduced to the world.

"The best part of the whole deal was the bottle of cognac that was forced upon me for my contribution. It was a good afternoon's work," concluded the corporal.

CORPORAL ADMITS TO COLONEL HE LIVES IN BARN

IN FRANCE, Oct. 28. (AP)—Eventually it was bound to happen, and Capt. D. O. Turner of Chandler, Okla., swears it did happen to Cpl. Joseph Torre of New York City.

One cold afternoon Joe ambled into his regimental command post along the front, neglecting to close the door behind him.

"Hey, you," yelled a shivering full colonel, "where do you live—in a barn?"

"Yes, sir," responded Joe brightly, "right across the road, sir." Then he closed the door.

Proving That Y' Can't Hang Around the Kitchen

"I captured him with a pair of pliers," remarked wireman Private Stanley J. Szymanski when questioned by his friends as to how he captured a Jerry recently.

The action took place in a kitchen of a barn below which a lot of a barn was laying wire men. The Yank was wisecracking to his friends. Bending over to join some wires, he spied a kraut hiding in the hay. Flashing his pliers, he cried, "Hands up." The kraut responded instantly, "Kamarad."

To the loud applause of his friends, Szymanski turned over his prisoner to an M.P. on the show line. below.



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Woodrow W. Johnson,
Morton, Tex.

Pfc. Carl B. Tennant,
Boston, Mass.

Pfc. Lawrence Brink,
Glasgow, N.Y.

Pfc. George J. Woll,
Winona, Minn.

Pfc. Norbert N. Salpeter,
Philadelphia, Pa.

S/Sgt. Benjamin F. Moren,
Middletown, O.

Capt. Clay Gearhart,
(Comdg. Officer),
Salt Lake City, Utah

1st Sgt. Frederick A. Barrow,
Macon, Ga.

S/Sgt. Andrew J. Crittenden,
Muskogee, Okla.

Cpl. James F. Counter,
Medford, Mass.

Pfc. Harry R. Baldwin,
Babylon, L.I., N.Y.

Pfc. Henry J. Bramhall,
Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Cpl. James C. Chambers,
Moscow, Tenn.

Pfc. Luther Patterson,
Cincinnati, O.

Pfc. Sidney Dennerstein,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. Lung F. Gee,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Pvt. Russel W. Masters,
Laurel, Ind.

2nd ROW

Cpl. Willis D. Emerick,
Altoona, Pa.

Sgt. Nicholas D. Demiankow,
Erie, Pa.

T/Sgt. John Leeds,
Ft. Gibson, Okla.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Alfred J. Texeira,
Boston, Mass.

Pfc. Keith A. Brown,
Blorien, La.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. Arthur J. Bourbonniere,
Woonsocket, R.I.

1st Lt. Arthur D. Searles,
(Exec. Officer),
Oberlin, O.



COMMUNI- CATION PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Stanley F. Poloniak,
Chicago, Ill.
Cpl. Joseph R. Budny,
Chicago, Ill.
Sgt. Elmer W. Knopp,
Toledo, O.
Cpl. Roger P. Desharnis,
Manchester, N.H.
Sgt. Harry N. Williams,
Scranton, Pa.
Pvt. Samuel A. Conforth,
Paterson, N.J.
Pfc. Charles D. Wentink,
Clifton, N.J.
Cpl. Munchello Blogovich,
Braddock, Pa.
Pfc. James H. Davis,
Pascorg, R.I.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Charles F. Bern,
Lowell, Mass.
Sgt. Harold J. Bass,
New York City, N.Y.
Pfc. Aleck H. Chizek,
Pittsburg, Pa.
M/Sgt. William J. Schweikhard,
Byonton, Okla.
Capt. Robert G. McGeary,
Vanderrift, Pa.
Pfc. Jeff D. Forehand,
Metter, Ga.
Cpl. Henry W. Dunn,
New York City, N.Y.
Sgt. Richard D. Campbell,
Reading, Pa.

Cpl. William M. Miller,
Oxford, O.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Donald F. Warner,
San Mateo, Cal.
S/Sgt. Alex Park,
Akron, O.
Pfc. Joshua L. Newhall,
Newburyport, Mass.
Pfc. Charles J. Bowling,
Keystone, W.Va.
Pfc. Herbert C. Porter,
Oil City, Pa.
Pfc. Stanley J. Szymanski,
Chicago, Ill.
Cpl. Claude J. Reattoire,
Adrian, O.
Pfc. Harold C. Moyse,
Cleveland, O.
Pfc. Dallas Calhoun,
St. Petersburg, Fla.
S/Sgt. John H. Insprucker,
Toledo, O.
Cpl. Homer P. True,
Spring City, Tenn.
Cpl. Orville Oaks,
Waynesburg, Ky.

4th ROW

Pfc. Walter L. Couchman,
Los Angeles, Cal.
Pvt. Sewell A. Quinn,
Buelavill, S.C.
Pvt. Joseph F. Mangold,
Camden, N.J.

Cpl. George H. Saph,
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
Pvt. Richard S. Merrill,
Latemer, Iowa
Pfc. Jasper Accardi,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Cpl. Mike Meronoff,
Weirton, W.Va.
Cpl. Richard R. Bond,
Reisterstown, Md.
Pfc. Jacob Schmerzler,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pfc. Burton R. Miller,
Lansing, N.C.

NOT PICTURED

W.O. Joseph R. Griebel,
Muskogee, Okla.
Cpl. Ernest A. Bourke,
Milford, N.H.
Cpl. Bill Adams,
Muskogee, Okla.
Cpl. Dee Crittenden,
Muskogee, Okla.
Pfc. Harold H. Christy,
Tarentum, Pa.
Pfc. William S. Miller,
Alansom, Mich.
Pfc. Edward J. Albert,
Shanokin, Pa.
S/Sgt. Joseph M. Cable,
Muskogee, Okla.
S/Sgt. Abe Goldstein,
Toms River, N.J.
Pfc. Claude J. Hendershot,
Akron, O.



M. P. PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Calvin R. Havard,
Luccdale, Miss.

Pfc. Rowe B. Cox,
Bruceston, Tenn.

Pfc. Thomas W. Dudley,
Honesdale, Pa.

Pfc. A. J. Childers,
Ashland, Miss.

Pfc. Arthur F. Trump,
Reading, Pa.

Pfc. James J. Lanzafama,
Newark, N.J.

Sgt. Michael J. Madden,
Chicago, Ill.

S/Sgt. Maurice J. Quirk,
Buffalo, N.Y.

1st Lt. Robert W. Hamilton,
Crese, Cal.

Sgt. Donald M. Sutton,
George School, Pa.

Pfc. Lloyd G. Simmons,
National City, Cal.

Pfc. George A. Smith,
Corry, Pa.

Pfc. Hugh B. Lee,
Spartanburg, S.C.

Pfc. Olin E. Hamilton,
Freeport, Fla.

Pfc. Vernon G. Berhow,
Brantwood, Wis.

Pfc. John J. Edwards,
Walhalla, S.C.

Pfc. James L. Ellis,
Baltimore, Md.

Pfc. Henry G. Bradley,
Crab Orchard, Ky.

Pfc. Warren L. Grammer,
Granite City, Ill.

Pfc. Jones Llewellyn,
Akron, O.

Pfc. Leonard A. Ham,
Colliersville, Tenn.

2nd ROW

Pfc. George E. Miles,
Easton, Pa.

Pfc. Sammy H. Jarshaw,
New Folden, Minn.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Edmund J. Zembruski,
Detroit, Mich.

Pfc. Everett C. Legner,
Chicago, Ill.



I & R PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Floyd F. Fix,
Reading, Pa.
Pvt. Murray P. Cornwell,
Arlington, Va.
Pfc. Robert P. Davidson,
Washington, D. C.
Pfc. Keith A. Brown,
Florien, La.
Pfc. Edward A. Vincent,
Woonsocket, R. I.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Leo Jackson,
Cincinnati, O.
Cpl. Russel H. Spatz,
Marysville, Cal.
T/Sgt. Jack H. Darrow,
Muskogee, Okla.
Sgt. Marvin G. Wage,
Rochester, N.Y.

Pfc. William G. Bensusan,
North Girard, Pa.

3rd ROW

Pfc. John A. Davidson, Jr.,
Brookline, Mass.
Pvt. Donald E. Barnett,
Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Louis De Celle,
Monroe, La.
Pfc. Thomas J. Behan,
Syracuse, N.Y.
Pfc. Conway T. Brewer,
Winston Salem, N. C.

4th ROW

Pfc. Sam Cohen,
New York City, N.Y.
Pvt. Ted W. Stanola,
Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. Teodoro Sedillo,
Los Lunas, N. M.

Pfc. Richard A. Perry,
Taunton, Mass.

NOT PICTURED

Sgt. Alfred A. Campbell,
Arnett, Okla.
Sgt. Clifford A. Stone,
Oklahoma City, Okla.
Cpl. Olson Jiles,
Fort Worth, Tex.
Cpl. Alfred Knaster,
New York City, N. Y.
Pfc. Henry F. Hube, Jr.,
Sheidan, N. Y.
Pfc. Raleigh J. Phillips,
Gary, Ind.
Pfc. Calvin Robinson,
Caney, Okla.
Pvt. A. W. Stanley,
Byproko, Ky.



KITCHEN G.R.S. AND DEFENSE PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. John A. Puzel,
Ely, Minn.

Pfc. Adeliado Benavidez,
Santa Fe, N. M.

Sgt. Richard D. Slape,
Ft. Gibson, Okla.

Sgt. John W. Smith,
Portland, Ore.

Pfc. James F. Polumbo,
Adams, Mass.

S/Sgt. Ellis W. Vanderwilt,
Salem, Ore.

1st Lt. Henry Fink (G.R.S.),
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Cpl. Louis J. Jacobi, Jr.,
Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Pfc. Robert N. Barry,
Inglewood, Cal.

Pfc. Everett M. Borske,
Alvin, Wis.

Pfc. Leslie E. Rahn,
Whitesboro, N.Y.

Pfc. Royce W. Craft,
Suwanee, Ga.

Cpl. Milo M. Link,
Auburn, Ind.

Cpl. Ernest P. Dickerson,
Lame Jackson, Tex.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Raymond K. Vreeland,
Wanaque, N. J.

Pfc. Richard Green,
Richton, Miss.

S/Sgt. Everett Byrd,
Warner, Okla.

Pfc. Roy W. Smith,
Muskogee, Okla.

Pfc. Louis Scarpinato,
Philadelphia, Pa.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Joe T. Ducci,
Moon Run, Pa.

Sgt. Chester D. Wardynski,
Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. Steve J. Surina,
Seaminster, Mass.

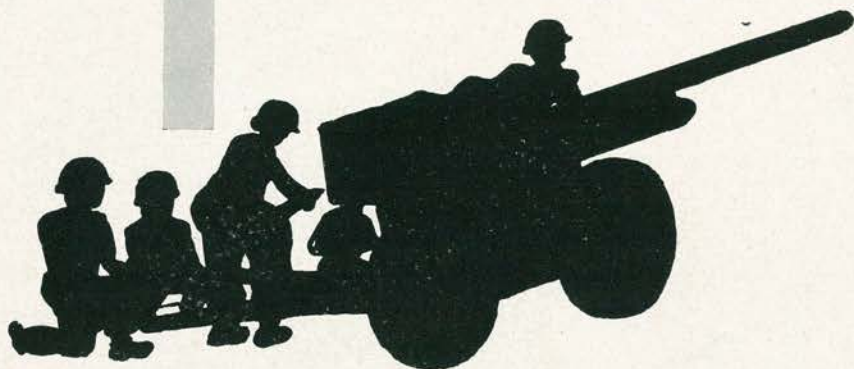
3rd ROW

Sgt. Thomas A. Smith,
Ivyton, Tenn.

Pfc. Paul Bryant,
Belham, S. C.

Pfc. Francis J. Wilson,
Terre Haute, Ind.

Pfc. Wallace Mars,
Ventress, La.



ANTI-TANK COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Gilbert P. Gentry, Commanding



FLASHES from the FRONT

If you had an ammo truck parked right next to a vehicle which was hit by a shell and started burning, and incoming shells were landing within 100 yards of your ammo truck—what would you do? That's what happened to Sgt. Edward Grzella, a 45th Division driver from Herkimer, N. Y. But instead of racing for the furthest fox-hole, Grzella hopped into his cab and drove his truck to a place of safety. Shrapnel from some of the shells which were plopping pierced the cab but Grzella was uninjured. All the guy had to say about it was, "Hell, I had to get that ammo truck out of the way; there were lots of troops in the town."

Poor George! AT Boys Take Him as a PW

Back when the 45th was storming the rubble that once was Nuremberg, Pvt. George Lombard, Phoenix, Ariz., a rifle-squad with Co. I, 180th Inf., left his

One house looks much like another in Nuremberg, these days, being piles of bricks and stones intermingled with dust. It's hard to find your way around a city which is piled at the curbs, and Lombard became lost.

He ran into some boys from Anti-Tank. Well, Lombard's parents are Greek. He doesn't speak Greek, though. He speaks Spanish. Sometimes he speaks very nice English, but not in times of excitement. The AT men challenged Lombard, and he answered in a foreign language. That was enough for them. They wanted PW's, so they took George.

Finding his English at last, even if the English was a little broken, Lombard pleaded with the AT men to take him to a place nearby, where, he said, his lieutenant would identify him. The AT boys agreed. When Lombard spotted Pfc. Edward M. Huddleston, West Point, Ind., he became excited again, feeling liberation was near. "There", he exclaimed, "is my lieutenant."

That made things worse. The AT men know a Pfc. stripe when they see one. But Huddleston came up, identified his buddy, and all was well. The crisis over, George's English re-turned.



Road-block in Germany

Magnifico Learns A Profitable Trade

Pfc. Frank J. Magnifico, Brooklyn, an AT Co. runner, has taken over the Italian business of making combat boots for the boys on the beachhead.

A truck driver in civilian life (and ardent Dodger fan), «Magnifico the Magnificent» watched several pizans do the job. When they were evacuated, he let it be known that he could do as well.

He averages three pairs per day, using a needle made by drilling a hole in a piece of steel and employing tops from old combat boots or cutting leather from old GI shoes. At three dollars per he is doing all right financially.

He Got His Reply And So Did Huns!

"Who's going with me?" The questioner was Pfc. Ted Anderson, a Detrouer of the 45th Division, and the query he put was a ticklish one.

Anderson had been ordered to destroy his truck and anti-tank gun when his unit was caught in a trap, but he hated to take it lying down, so he turned to an officer and asked: "May I fight my way out with the truck, sir?"

When he got permission, Anderson turned to his buddies, Anderson who wanted to go along. "Darned if the whole anti-tank crew didn't pile on," said the Detrouer. "Several fellows sat in the back with rifles while two climbed on the running boards armed to the teeth with grenades and pistols.

"I pushed the accelerator to the floor and we dashed down the road. Then I spotted a kraut patrol blocking the road. The guys in front started shooting at them—so did the guys in the back end. "We scared those squareheads so much that we got through with no trouble—not a bit." Back in friendly lines, the anti-tanker supplied information which enabled the rescue of the Yanks still left in the trap.



Sweeping the road for mines near Munich



COMPANY HEAD- QUARTERS

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Ara P. Begor,
Hampton, Va.

Pfc. Woodrow W. Folks,
Purcell, Okla.

Cpl. Berney Hoover,
Lindsay, Okla.

Cpl. Temple L. Houston,
Foss, Okla.

Cpl. John P. Tuzio,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Cpl. Adam A. Kaleyta,
Disputanta, Va.

2nd ROW

S/Sgt. Jesse E. Howell,
Stratford, Okla.

Pfc. Lloyd E. Brandt,
Columbus, Wis.

Pfc. Frank A. Groshel,
Keewatin, Minn.

Pfc. Henry N. Rapp,
New York, N.Y.

Cpl. Max Kravitz,
Phila, Pa.

Pfc. Horace B. Gore,
San Jon, N.M.

Cpl. Arthur C. Woodward,
E. Bridgewater, Mass.

3rd ROW

Sgt. Clifford E. Wilson,
Wayne, Okla.

Pfc. Horace L. Henderson,
Louisville, Ky.

Sgt. Lewis E. Weeden,
Washington, Okla.

Pfc. Alfred J. Rowe,
Bridgewater, Vt.

Capt. Gilbert P. Gentry,
(Comdg. Officer),
Durant, Okla.

Pfc. Phillip J. Illert,
Dupo, Ill.

Cpl. Orba L. Cash,
Terral, Okla.

Pfc. Aubrey C. Jenkins,
Temple, Okla.

NOT PICTURED

1st Sgt. Bill J. Ross,
Calera, Okla.

S/Sgt. Howard W. Frazier,
Durant, Okla.

S/Sgt. Walter E. Lambert,
Littleton, Mass.

Cpl. William F. Atkins,
Hartford, Conn.

Pfc. Edward Boden,
New York, N.Y.

Pfc. Aloysius J. Groser,
Rosedale, L.I.

Pfc. Hobart Hinkle,
Lureatha, Ky.

Sgt. John Bitsche,
Chiekasha, Okla.

Pfc. Larry T. Meade,
Washington, D.C.

Lt. Edward Dunn,
(Exec. Officer),
Grunsboro, Ga.



1st PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Cpl. Clarence Reed,
Clear Springs, Md.

Pfc. James Carroll,
Flora Park, Fla.

Cpl. Bedford J. Groves,
Still Pond, Md.

Pfc. Homer D. Rice,
West Newton, Pa.

Pfc. Robert V. Ryan,
Chillicothe, O.

Cpl. Frank Paul,
Milford, O.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Daniel E. Buckley,
Baltimore, Md.

Pfc. Andrew Pollock,
Daisytown, Pa.

Pfc. Daniel J. McCann,
Baltimore, Md.

Pfc. Douglas Taggart,
Kearny, N. J.

Pfc. Joseph R. Pate,
Evergreen, Ala.

Pfc. William Green,
Tarpon Springs, Fla.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Alex C. Rozewski,
Bay City, Mich.

Pfc. Lewis F. Wozniak,
Posen, Mich.

Pfc. Vincent E. Boeding,
West Point, Iowa

Pfc. John P. Gillespie,
Pauls Valley, Okla.

Pfc. Robert Lester,
West Hempstead, N.Y.

Pfc. Theodore E. Gerwatowski,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. William C. Gaterman,
Manitowoc, Wis.

T/Sgt. Thomas E. Stauffacher,
Monroe, Wis.

Pfc. Ober A. Shannon,
Durant, Okla.

Pfc. Clark W. Moon,
Atlanta, Ga.

Pfc. Olin W. Bracker, Jr.,
Corry, Pa.

Pfc. Henry T. Wofford,
Foss, Okla.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Thomas J. Lee,
Lometa, Tex.

Pfc. Emmet P. Chambers,
Sulphure, Okla.

Pfc. Robert Grozdanich,
Nashwauk, Minn.

Pfc. John H. Howard,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. William G. Mixter,
Baltimore, Md.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Gerald McLaughlin,
Willow Grove, Pa.

Cpl. Frank C. McCown III,
Wayne, Pa.

Pfc. Delbert Roush,
Pt. Pleasant, W.Va.

Pfc. Robert R. Youngblut,
Waterloo, Iowa

Pfc. Francis K. Clark,
Lowell, Mass.

Pfc. Raymond S. Murphy,
Bryn Mawk, Pa.

3rd ROW

Pfc. James C. Gibney,
Bemidji, Minn.

S/Sgt. William P. Zuidema,
Port Huron, Mich.

T/Sgt. Sam F. Ferster,
Sunbury, Pa.

1st Lt. Ray E. Stephens,
Chickasha, Okla.

S/Sgt. Michael J. Plesko,
Freeland, Mich.

Pfc. Joe I. Klieman,
Chicago, Ill.

NOT PICTURED

Pfc. Benny F. Loyd,
Telephone, Tex.

Pfc. John H. Frahm,
Rae, Ill.

Pfc. Delmont Ronc,
Benton, Ill.

Pfc. David L. Thompson,
Rossville, Ga.

Pfc. Steve Otruba,
Richyville, Pa.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Sam H. Glover,
Beaumont, Tex.

S/Sgt. Ellsworth R. Uden,
Ocheyedan, Iowa

Cpl. Robert Graham,
Renslaer, N.Y.

Pfc. Joseph Salandro,
East Alexandria, Pa.

Pfc. Willard M. Riggs,
West Alexandria, Pa.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Alexander Jamorski,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Gerald Lichter,
St. Paul, Minn.

Pfc. Porfirio C. Cuellar,
Uvalde, Tex.

Pfc. Julian Conner,
Emporia, Va.

Pfc. David C. Franceski,
Forest City, Pa.

Pfc. Stephen Kovacik,
New York, N.Y.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Anthony J. DiGiovanni,
Meridan, Conn.

Pfc. Frank W. Zimmerman,
Wilmerding, Pa.

Cpl. James Rea,
Vina, Ala.

1st Lt. Robert W. Grigsby,
Chicago, Ill.

S/Sgt. Frank B. Fulcher,
Queens Village, L. Isl.,
N.Y.

Pfc. James K. Robertson,
Pulaski, Va.

Cpl. Edward Slavikosky,
Washington, Pa.

Cpl. Michael Jakasz,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Cpl. Norman M. Smith,
Baltimore, Md.

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Pfc. Gerald P. Stroud,
Muskogee, Okla.



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1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Arthur A. Jodie,
McKeesport, Pa.

Pfc. Lovis J. Poirier,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. Anthony Iridro,
New Haven, Conn.

Pfc. William A. Brown,
Lodi, Cal.

Pfc. Kenneth W. Byers,
Cameron, Mo.

T/Sgt. Joseph R. Fraser,
Frushing, N.Y.

Lt. William M. Murrah,
Richland, Ga.

Pfc. Chesten S. Lee,
Hemingway, S. C.

Pvt. Clarence E. Coffey,
Kingsport, Tenn.

Sgt. James R. Lane,
Purcell, Okla.

Sgt. John E. Metcalf,
Sullivan, Ind.

Pfc. Wayne E. Ours,
Antwerp, O.

Pfc. Ernest Wilke,
Austin, Minn.

Cpl. Manuel Natelson,
Dorchester, Mass.

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Pfc. Earnest J. Marlowe,
Purcell, Okla.

Pfc. Alexander F. Dennis,
St. Albans, Vt.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Kelly Stafford,
Providence, Forge, Va.

Pfc. E. W. Mayhan,
Byars, Okla.

Pvt. John Senyk,
Port Hukon, Mich.

Pfc. Gennaro Angellotti,
Mekvindale, Mich.

Sgt. Lord R. Rodgers,
Walters, Okla.

Pfc. Alfred J. Rowe,
Bridgewater, Vt.



CANNON COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Gordon H. McGough, Commanding



Not All World's Kids Are Born in Taxicabs

"It was just like the midnight ride of Paul Revere," remarked Cpl. Robert F. Danielowicz, Providence, R. I., after he and his buddy made a mad midnight dash in a jeep in a race against the stork.

The paddlefoot had just turned in when his landlady awoke him with the news that her sister, Germaine, was giving birth to a baby. Danielowicz, who has taken artillery barrages more calmly, frantically alerted his captain and first sergeant by phone.

Cpl. William Long, Wagoner, Okla., came to the rescue in a jeep to take the extremely expectant mother to the hospital. Danielowicz wrapped the mother in a blanket, carried her to the back seat, and with Long and the landlady took off for the nearest town.

At 50 miles an hour over a dark, unimproved road, the jeep sped, bouncing from ditch to ditch.

With a screech of brakes, the vehicles finally pulled up before a civilian maternity hospital. "Midwife Danielowicz" dashed to the door, pounded and yelled. It was closed for the night.

Frantically he dashed back to the car to tell Long to take out for the regimental surgeon. It was then that he heard a distinct and familiar wail.

"My God!" gasped the worn GI. "Did you have to go and do that before we could get a doctor?"

But the mother and child are doing well.
So are Danielowicz and Long.



In action at Bobenthal

Setting up the 105's



Good Hausfrau Wants Less Shooting

Cpl. John Long, Wagoner, Okla., had to see the European war through almost to the end before he reached the point where he believed he'd seen everything.

With a Kraut 20 mm. shooting at him from down the street, the Cannon Co., 180th Inf., soldier finally sought refuge behind one of the company's half tracks.

Then an indignant German woman came up behind him and demanded that he make the 20 mm. stop shooting while she got across the street.



Cannon Company in support of the infantry somewhere near Munich, Germany



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Idabel, Okla.

Pfc. William W. Hefner,
Chickasha, Okla.

Pfc. George W. Rogers,
Riverdale, Md.

S/Sgt. Robert C. Hicks,
Hopkinton, Mass.

Pfc. John J. Olesky,
Chicago, Ill.

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Pfc. John Adzema, Jr.,
Akron, O.

Sgt. Richard Syvertsen,
Minneapolis, Minn.

1st Lt. Delbert Davis,
Hugo, Okla.

1st Lt. Frank Bacon,
Company Commander,
Arcadia, Cal.

1st Sgt. Thomas D. Blake,
Ewing, Ky.

Sgt. Harold Erickson,
Allston, Mass.

Sgt. Charles T. Hardin,
Wagoner, Okla.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Ambrose R. Head,
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Sgt. Lester I. Myers,
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Cpl. George J. Bembenek,
Chicago, Ill.

Cpl. Frank W. Davidson,
Scranton, Pa.

Cpl. Elfego Madrid,
Vaughan, N. M.

Pfc. James J. Dougherty,
East Orange, N. J.

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Alexandria, Va.

Pfc. Delbert F. Smith,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Pfc. Hulbert A. Hull,
Haverhill, Mass.

Pfc. Virgil A. Hardin,
St. Paul, Minn.

Pfc. Robert J. Finney,
Bloomington, Ind.

Pfc. Inge L. Jacks,
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Exec. Officer,
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1st

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S/Sgt. William S. Shaw,
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Pfc. Franklin J. Garis,
Telford, Pa.

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Cpl. William F. Schrumpf,
Allentown, Pa.

2nd ROW

Cpl. Raymond R. Wallick,
Hellam, Pa.

T/Sgt. Harold L. Eibest,
Chillicothe, O.

1st Lt. Carl W. Crickenberger,
Chickasha, Okla.

Pfc. Warren G. Holliday,
Springfield, Ill.

Pfc. Arthur Haynes,
Newark, N. J.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Donald J. Collins,
New London, Conn.

Pfc. Frederick E. Bennett,
Oneonta, N.Y.

Pfc. Harry T. Cole,
San Francisco, Cal.

Pfc. Norris K. Freeborough,
Youngsville, Pa.

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Pfc. Clayton Brigham,
Fon du Lac, Wis.

Pfc. Frank Leto,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Raymond DeGroat,
Wanaque, N. J.

Pfc. Norman L. Cartier,
Providence, R. I.



2nd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

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S/Sgt. Quirino Paglierani,
Cambridge, Mass.

Pfc. John N. Chartier,
Southbridge, Mass.

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Cpl. George A. O'Reilly,
Dumont, N. J.

Pfc. Stanley Matthews,
Cleveland, O.

2nd ROW

Pfc. Joseph J. Wexler,
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Cpl. James C. Waller,
Auburn, Ala.

T/Sgt. Timothy A. Barlow,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Lt. Delbert Davis,
Hugo, Okla.

Pfc. Francis J. McFadden,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Cpl. James Delore

3rd ROW

Pfc. Joseph F. Zbrzezny,
Baden, Pa.

Pfc. Floyd Vance,
Gracemont, Okla.

Cpl. Paul R. Erickson,
Youngstown, O.

Pfc. Alva P. Westcott,
Franklin, N.Y.

Pfc. Matthew J. Medved,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Pfc. Louis F. Perri,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

NOT PICTURED

Cpl. Eugene H. Patillo,
Caulfield, Mo.

Cpl. Leroy Gaylord,
Lake City, Fla.

Pfc. William A. Barbour,
Four Oaks, N. C.



3rd PLATOON

1st ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT)

Pfc. Earle E. Kindt,
Allentown, Pa.

Pfc. Arthur H. Peters,
York, Pa.

Cpl. Henry Horn, Jr.,
Cumberland, Md.

Cpl. William B. Long,
Anson, Tex.

Cpl. George W. Bayman,
Piqua, O.

1st Lt. Edward Ditmeyer,
Hamilton, O.

T/Sgt. Oliver D. Willett,
Maysville, Ky.

Pfc. John B. Laughter,
Fairview, N. C.

S/Sgt. Edward A. Fonal,
Richmond Hill, N.Y.

Pfc. Robert M. Kirkwood,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Pfc. Joseph W. Bollman,
Long Beach, Cal.

S/Sgt. George A. Hamilton,
Cochituate, Mass.

NOT PICTURED

Cpl. Robert P. Danilowicz,
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2nd ROW

Pfc. Joseph F. Mogan,
McKees Rocks, Pa.

Pfc. Allen N. Cohen,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. Donald E. Bilodeau,
Providence, R. I.

Pfc. Frederick R. Schneider,
Ozone Park, N.Y.

Pfc. Harold H. Klipfel,
Ashley, N. D.

3rd ROW



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Cpl. George W. Coleman,
Delco, N. C.

S/Sgt. Theron Quarles,
Chatsworth, Ga.

Pfc. Roy Sergi,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Thomas Cummando,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. John B. Aims, Jr.,
Harrington Park, N. J.

2nd ROW

Cpl. William H. Stanyard,
Beaver Falls, Pa.

Cpl. Curtis H. Johnson,
Bentley, Mich.

Pfc. George A. DiLello,
New York City, N.Y.

Pfc. Robert L. Gilmer,
Warrenton, Ga.

Cpl. Robert E. Rambusch,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. William C. Greer,
Alpine, Ind.



MEDICAL DETACHMENT

180th INFANTRY

Maj. Samuel W. Gollub, Commanding



Hun Scientist Uncovered By Medical Crew

A world-famous scientist and teacher, Dr. Richard Gans, Jewish physicist who taught at the Universities of Koenigsberg, Prague and Argentina, was accidentally liberated recently by house-cleaning medical aidmen of the 180th Infantry.

The medics were cleaning up a civilian house in which they were to set up an aid station. They found an old man hiding in an upstairs room. He spoke fluent English and told Maj Samuel W. Golup, St. Louis, Mo., regimental surgeon, that he had not long ago escaped from the German while doing forced farm labor.

Dr. Gans feebly told that he was humiliated by Nazis during their early purge of the German Jews, when they made him clean latrines and sweep streets. He was put into a concentration camp. Later internees were sent to farms to harvest crops. It was from a farm that he fled when the aidmen found him.

The 65-year-old professor of physics and chemistry stayed in a locked room of a friendly German's home. These people, along with the village priest, were the only ones who knew of his whereabouts. Even in his cramped quarters Dr. Gans had been doing experimental work on electronics and X-ray.

His appearance was gaunt, but still aristocratic. He expressed no plans for the future.



Evacuating wounded during the battle for Nuremburg

GI Medic Was Scared But Not as Much as the Hun

Medic Harold W. Drukman of the 45th Division, looking for a place to sleep, opened the door to an attic and came face to face with a German officer.

"Naturally, I wasn't armed," said Drukman, "so I was plenty scared—but he was worse off, I guess, because when I demanded his surrender he replied: 'Just a moment until I get my things together.' Then he handed me his pistol and we went to the PW cage."

Medics Buy Freedom With Extra Smokes

By Norbert Salpeter

Two medics from Co. B, 120th Medics, used their gift of gab and a few American cigarettes to ease their way out of one tough situation, then ran into trouble when they tried the same trick twice.

Cpl. Ulisses G. Harper, Wetumka, Okla., and Pfc. Wayne Blauvelt, Shinglehouse, Pa., were escorting three 180th Infantrymen to an aid station when they stumbled onto a German roadblock.

Blauvelt who speaks a little German bargained with the Jerries who weren't too interested in winning the war. The Krauts didn't care if the Yanks passed the roadblock, but they must go through the position instead of re-tracing their steps. Also, they must fork over a few smokes.

Feeling that was a pretty cheap price for their liberty, the Thunderbirds paid the toll and continued on, carefully following the route which the Germans said led to American lines.

It did, too. But 50 yards short of American territory the Krauts had another roadblock set up. And these Krauts didn't smoke.

Harper, Blauvelt and the three paddlefeet who were sick, not wounded, were taken prisoner and

marched toward a rear PW cage.

"We walked 24 kilometers before we finally stopped in a little German town," related Harper, "but the toughest part of the whole experience was the shelling we went through here when an armored division started zeroing in on the town."

Later they took off again with their escort—and were marched straight into a town which was being cleared by American infantry.

"We didn't have weapons," said Blauvelt, "but the Krauts surrendered to us then. In fact, they treated us pretty decently all the while. Guess they had a hunch we'd capture them before the party was over!"

Because He Has No Gun Medic Bailey Uses Wit

Down in the 180th Inf., the guys call Cpl. Donovan Bailey, Parkersburg, W. Va., "The Kraut Catcher."

Bailey is a medic and his business is aiding casualties, not capturing prisoners. He was sent out the other day to bring in a wounded man, and naturally he went unarmed.

"I came upon this Jerry loading his rifle at the side of a road," he relates. "Frankly I didn't know what to do. We were both surprised, and I guess I recovered first."

Bailey tried a strong arm method first. He glared at the Hun and demanded his surrender. The German just smiled and tapped his rifle. The medic thought fast.

"You wanna eat?" he asked in his lousy German.

That did it. The Kraut threw down his rifle and followed the medic back to the CP.

Enlisted Medic Aids Follow Hippocrates

It takes "guts" to go into an artillery barrage and treat wounded soldiers. Pvt. Vincent T. Vasilouskas of Mt. Carmel, Pa., has 'em.

Pvt. Vasilouska is a platoon first aid man in the "Thunderbird" Division. One afternoon the Germans slammed an artillery concentration onto the defensive positions of the heavy weapons company to which the Pennsylvanian was attached.

In the midst of the shelling the Thunderbird medic heard calls for help. Leaving his dugout, he crawled to the wounded soldier, 75 yards away. Ignoring flying fragments, Pvt. Vasilouskas knelt, treated the doughboy, and prepared him for evacuation.

The 22-year-old first aid man headed back for his foxhole.

"Medic! Medic!"

Anguished cries came from the unit on his flank. Although it wasn't his responsibility to serve that platoon, the youthful corpsman made his way through the barrage to treat two injured paddfeet. One died in his arms, but Pvt. Vasilouskas saved the other with skillful treatment.—G.F.D.

PFC. STOKES AIDS STORK

WITH THE 45TH DIVISION OF THE SEVENTH ARMY, FRANCE—In the Army, as in civilian life, the stork will trick a doctor out of a night's sleep.

It happened to Capt. Robert N. Kabel of Winchester, Ind., a battalion surgeon in the 45th Infantry Division. Just climbing into bed after a tough day, he was roused out by this telephone message from an outpost town abandoned by Jerry only moments before: "Get the doc! A French woman is expecting a baby!"

Helping him usher "la petite mem'selle" into the world were three medics: S Sgt. Reo Derrisaw of Muskogee, Okla.; Pfc. Charles Stokes of Bicknell, Ind.; Pvt. Ray Di Orio of Attleboro, Mass. It was their first delivery, but according to Sgt. Derrisaw, "We couldn't help but keep cool under Capt. Kabel's simple directions." Capt. Kabel's wife is the former Miss Virginia Acker of New Castle, Ind.



Medics evacuate two wounded men
as tank shields them from sniper



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Cpl. Norbert J. Lecher,
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1st Lt. I. Robert Mannis,
Stevens Point, Wis.

Maj. Samuel W. Gollub,
St. Louis, Mo.

Capt. Carl H. Resnick,
Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. James J. Eilers,
Sioux City, Iowa

3rd ROW

Cpl. Robert M. Dale,
Atoka, Okla.

Pfc. Charles P. Parker,
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Sgt. Gerald Kotin,
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S/Sgt. John A. Starr,
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S/Sgt. Robert W. Langhorst,
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Sgt. Elmar D. Rockafellow,
Painesville, O.

Cpl. Joe M. Plyer,
Prescott, Ark.

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Capt. Paul F. Price,
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Sgt. Donald J. Allen,
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S/Sgt. Conrad Heskin,
Sharon, N.D.

1st Lt. Marshall J. Hearrell,
Muskogee, Okla.

Capt. Stanley August,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Elton Brown,
Detroit, Mich.

Sgt. Leo Hornsby, Jr.,
Macon, Ga.

Pfc. Thomas La Ferla,
Gluttenburg, N.J.

Pfc. David Silverman,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Raymond L. Brown,
Chouteau, Okla.

Pfc. Ralph Peterson,
Distrikt of Columbia.

Pfc. Sam H. Christian,
Atlanta, Ga.

Cpl. Benson E. Gabbert,
Auto, W.Va.

Pvt. Robert Fuller,
Ceder Grove, Tenn.

Pfc. David H. Summers,
York, Pa.

Cpl. Charles R. Stokes,
Baltimore, Md.

Pfc. Michael Petack,
Minersville, Pa.

Cpl. Wilson E. L. Boyce,
Cleveland, O.

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Sgt. Edward J. Fialka,
Somerville, N.J.

Pvt. Edward Morgan,
Roscoe, Tex.

Pfc. Charles Thomas,
Detroit, Mich.

Pvt. Eannes Slone,
Grundy, Va.

Cpl. Jacob Chazin,
Chester, Pa.

2nd ROW

Sgt. Donovan J. Bailey,
Parkersburg, W.Va.

Cpl. Bernard O'Donnell,
Beaverdale, Pa.

Cpl. Vincent Vasilaszkas,
Mt. Carmel, Pa.

3rd ROW

Cpl. Robert E. Aide,
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Bronx, N.Y.

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Pfc. Elwin E. Ross,
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Cpl. Albert B. Olsen,
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2nd ROW

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Rockhill, S. C.

Pfc. Lauice S. Castillo,
El Paso, Tex.

Sgt. William C. Marble,
Troy, N.Y.

2nd Lt. Amel Anderson,
Wagoner, Okla.

Capt. Robert E. Headlee,
Fort Worth, Tex.

3rd ROW

Pfc. Samuel F. Landreth,
Freis, Va.

Pvt. Jack P. Hedges,
Pawhuska, Okla.

S/Sgt. Wandell L. Raider,
Rockport, Ind.

Sgt. Willis G. Bailey,
Coasta Mesa, Cal.

Cpl. Bernaro H. Solonche,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

S/Sgt. Elton R. Littlefield,
Van Hook, N. D.

Pfc. Kenneth Merriman,
Richmond, Cal.

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Pvt. Everett M. Thornton,
Simms, Mont.

Cpl. Russell F. Shea,
Boston, Mass.

Cpl. Vincent C. Pasqua,
Yonkers, N.Y.



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S/Sgt. Leonard W. Yoder,
Goshen, Ind.
Cpl. Gladys Dixon,
Noble, La.
Sgt. Ralph A. Boerger,
Ft. Loramie, O.

2nd ROW

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Maspeth, L. I., N.Y.
Pfc. Louis L. Main,
Independence, Mo.
Pfc. Onie H. Hill,
Covington, Va.
Pfc. Thomas F. Morgan,
Bronx, N.Y.
Lt. William P. Fillman,
Muskogee, Okla.
S/Sgt. Frank L. Tallon,
Greenville, S. C.
Pfc. Elwood Austin,
Albemarle, N. C.

Pfc. Francis J. Matcho,
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
Pfc. Clifford S. Otto,
Altoona, Pa.

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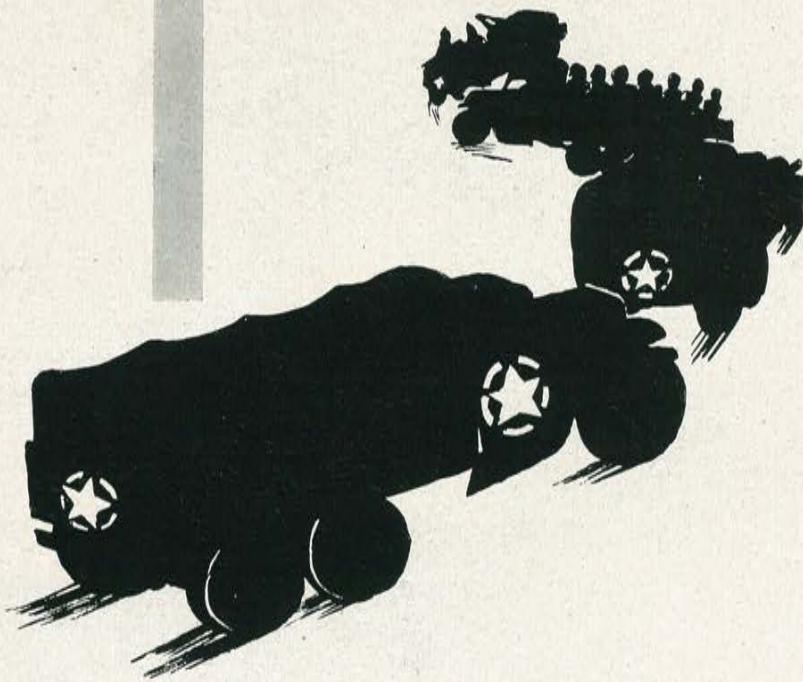
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Tierra Amorella, N. M.
Pfc. George A. Snook,
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Sgt. John G. Fairclough,
Bronx, N.Y.
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Donora, Pa.
Cpl. Hugh D. Hutchens,
Greenville, S. C.
Pfc. Melvin D. Chapman,
Johnstown, O.
Pfc. William H. Smith,
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Pfc. James B. Summers,
Nashville, Tenn.
Pfc. Horace D. Wagner,
Sulphur, La.
Pfc. Henry Dziurda,
Hamtramck, Mich.
Pvt. Nathan W. Hawks,
Lynchburg, Va.
Pvt. John R. Murdock,
Statesville, N. C.
Cpl. Glenn E. Jones, Sr.,
Mt. Jackson, Va.

and these were my
buddies on the line.

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SERVICE COMPANY

180th INFANTRY

Capt. Charlie G. Weaver, Commanding



Clean Socks Lower 180th's Trench Foot Casualty Rate

Every day through the winter, each guy in the 180th Inf. had a fresh, dry pair of socks. Result: trench foot casualties fell to an insignificant number. And behind the program was a chugging Kraut truck, some spinning cylinders and some soap and hot water.

Men of the 180th Serv. Co. maintenance section had taken the Jerry diesel job and built a complete laundry unit upon its ancient chassis. There is a washing machine, a spinner, a couple of driers.

The whole affair is powered by a motor, salvaged from a captured sedan, and slung beneath the truck to run the driveshafts. Clothing goes from the washing machine into the spinner, a device that throws most of the water out of the duds by whirling them in a punctured cylinder.

Then the clothes go into the driers, bigger, heated cylinders, that take out all the rest of the moisture. Afterward, socks are paired for size, and the clothing goes to the clothing exchange.

Elsewhere there's a home-made shower unit, that can take water out of any creek, heat it as it runs through the pipes, and spew it down on soiled GI's. They get clean clothes after the bath.

During the rest period, clean clothing was provided every five days, and made the laundry operators feel that women's work is never done. Heavy winter clothing taxes the improvised facilities to the limit.

Normally, a change of clothing every week is considered pretty good going. The shower unit can handle a battalion in a day, but winter slows that up, too. It takes longer for the men to dress in full winter regalia, and the dress-

sing tents get clogged.

When QM laundry facilities are available, there's a bonus of clean clothing, or the 180th laundrymen get a little breather. All in all, the 180th Inf. was a lot cleaner this winter because of the Kraut

truck, the men who built the laundry and the men who run it.

When summer comes, clean clothing will be available more often. Summer cotton shorts take a lot less time in the machines than winter longjohns.



Portable showers follow the troops insuring a bath whenever possible



Clean clothes for the doughboy

180th Service Co. Wins Unit Plaque

For "outstanding devotion to duty," Service Co., 180th Inf., this week was awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. It became the seventh 45th Division unit to hold the citation.

The award was based on the Service Company's work during the rapid advance from the beaches of Southern France to the Vosges foothills, during which time the company provided a steady flow of supplies under the most difficult conditions.

Trucks hauled supplies from dumps more than 100 miles to the rear, and never did troops of the 180th want for food, ammunition or gasoline when supplies were available in the rear.

Vehicles were in almost continuous operation, but drivers and mechanics kept breakdowns to a minimum.

The company provided improvised equipment to give showers and laundry service to infantrymen.

The citation praises the way in which the personnel of the company handled not only assigned tasks, but also the self-imposed duties which contributed materially to the welfare and morale of the regiment.

Other 45th units holding the plaque are the Service Companies of the 157th and 179th Inf. Rgt's, the 45th QM Co., 45th Sig. Co., 700th Ord. Co., and Clearing Co., 120th Medics.

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Tulsa, Okla.

Capt. Charlie G. Weaver,
(Comdg. Officer),
Atoka, Okla.

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Don Ameche Co-Stars With Cows at Thunderbird Theater

Chaplain Converts Barn Into GI Movie House

When Captain Odus T. Henley, a Thunderbird chaplain, learned that film was available, he immediately scouted around for a suitable theater. He found it in a barn. The barn couldn't be used at night, however, because the cows and horses slept in it. In the daytime it was available between feeding times of the animals.

But the chaplain arranged a deal with the farmer and the doughboys saw movies. Of course, there was a slight inconvenience but the soldiers didn't mind. When it came time for the animals to be fed, the soldiers filed out and the cows walked in. When the cows came out, the doughboys went back in and saw the rest of the show. The funniest part of the arrangement was that the break usually came when Don Ameche was about to kiss the heroine—and in came the cows.

Jews of 45th Celebrate Rosh Hashonah

By Norbert Salpeter

To the traditional sound of the blowing of the Shofar, 250 Thunderbirds of Jewish faith held religious services celebrating the beginning of the Jewish New Year, called Rosh Hashonah.

In an old French castle, the service was conducted by Chaplain Herbert Ribner, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. The large living room, lit only by candle light was the scene of the beautiful ancient ceremony repeated by the men of Jewish faith for centuries. Chaplain Ribner expressed the prayer of all faiths when he said, « May the sound of the Shofar not only sound the entrance of the New Year, but more important the reawakening of freedom for all the subjugated people of the world. »

The service was attended by men from all regiments and attached units of the 45th. Transportation was provided for those distant from the meeting place, and wherever possible, men from line companies were excused from duty and permitted to attend.

Services will be held September 26 for those who wish to observe Yom Kippur, the traditional Day of Atonement. Particulars of the services will be announced soon.

Church Services held 500 yards behind the front lines at Wimmenau, Alsace, France



With our Thunderbird
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