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GREAT DAY COMING

Soon it will come. The great fleets of winged messengers sowing the holocaust along the storm-spent Atlantic wall, the LST's grating into the sandy beaches, the tanks splashing into the surf, lumbering forward to do destiny's job.

Already the time-fuse ticking under the wall of Hitler's Festung Europe is heard spluttering, its flame hissing bule in the night.

No seer, no occult conjurers need gaze into the crystal to foretell the time, the witching moment when men will rise in wrath to strike down the incarnate evil of our time.

For the time is now. It is heard echoing along the windswept wastes of the Pripet marshes, where fierce riding Cossacks send the conquerors reeling back into their lair, wherever the indomitable Russian Army fights, burning with passion to squelch the spider in his dark abode, to trample the sucking tentacles of the squid, to cauterize with fire and sword the crawling leprosy of the fascist idea.

From wan and bloodless lips the word passes like flame to the fighters for freedom underground. Courage! The time is now. The Greek, the Pole, the Frenchmen, the Czech, the Dane, the Hollander, the Belgian, the Yugoslav, the Norwegian, take heart, and dare to fight again. Another train is derailed. Another warehouse fired. The war of attrition continues.

The invading army has already landed. It is alive in the hearts of men everywhere yearning to be free.

YOUR MENTAL OUTLOOK

"If a G. I. doesn't gripe he isn't a good soldier," is a saying every one has heard since being in the Army, and perhaps long before the draft board became an American institution. Some of the beefing is legitimate, and often is just a means to let off steam. But some complaints are out of bounds. At the psychiatric clinic in the Station Hospital, Major Howard T. Felder is often asked: "Why am I in the Army when I could be contributing more to the war effort building ships; or why am I classified as just another soldier when I could be more valuable in another type of work or in another branch of service?"

Gripes that a soldier would be of greater service in a war industry are foolish. No matter how essential to the war effort a job is, the worker is not essential if there is some one else to replace him. Under the Selective Service system no irreplaceable man has been taken into the Army.

Although the production of war materials is vital, the men who fight with the weapons actually win the war. The war effort can be compared to producing a football team. The war workers are the trainers and managers who provide the means and equipment for playing, and the armed forces comprise the team. As an athlete sacrifices his glory for the benefit of the group, every member of the war team performs the duties for which he is best fitted.

When a man enters the Army he faces a battery of classification tests and psychological techniques that show his abilities as a high school football player faces a try-out when he reports to a college team. A prep school running star may become a blocking back in college. The Army makes correspond-changes on the military team. In football the team that has assigned the right men to the right positions wins. This Army team has been clicking in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and the South Pacific.

Sometimes a man is qualified for a job he is not performing in the Army because the Army has little need for many civilian skills. For instance only one lawyer is required for 10,000 soldiers. Almost the same ratio holds for most civilian skills.

The qualifications of every soldier are a part of his Army record. Sometimes when a man attempts to perform duties of which he is not capable, he will be replaced by some one who can do the job. The Army is not planning to fumble its way to victory.

If you are angry about your duties



"Here Is Your War," Ernie Pyle: From out of the foxholes of North Africa, the soldier's favorite reporter, Ernie Pyle, here sets forth in book form at last his fascinating chronicles of the men from the Broadways and Main Streets of America who accomplished so much, while so green, to drive the Nazis out of North Africa and the Mediterranean. Ernie Pyle was just a plain roving reporter for the Scripps-Howard papers when, in unaccountable fashion, his journalism took hold with the American people and his column after six months of war writing became one of the most widely syndicated in the country. Probably this quote best explains why Ernie's words are so important to us: "He takes you to live with them (our boys) on the great adventure of their lives, and tells you the thousands of little things you want to know about how they are living from day to day."

"A Tree Grows In Brooklyn," Betty Smith: The biggest best-seller of the year, this book is not for Brooklynites alone (as certain GI's coming from a certain New York borough might be inclined to think). Why Johnny Nolan craved the bottle, and Aunt Sissy re-married countless times without benefit of regulation divorces, and what made July Fourth, Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving and Christmas so full of bursting with the passionate flow of life—these will become the intimate concern of everyone who reads Betty Smith's fine work. There is much mature writing here, despite the fact it is a first novel, and moreover this effort touches upon a theme hitherto reserved for the masters alone: that humanity is both good and bad, is neither, and can never be, wholly one or the other.

NOTE: Only Betty Smith's and Ernie Pyle's books are presently available at both libraries; the remainder are on hand only at Library Two.

Cpl. Peterson Weds

Cpl. Leonard Peterson, of Atlanta, Mo., and Anna Edgar, Clinton, Iowa, were married in Chapel 1885 Monday afternoon Post Chaplain Orin D. Swank officiated at the services.

or classification in the Army, remember the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor and the Nazis started the fight in Europe. Take it out on them.

Christmas Stocking Fills With Funds

The stocking T-5 Herman Westcamp received for Christmas is carrying on its good work.

When T-5 Westcamp's stocking was emptied of the cookies and candy it contained some practical joker tacked it to the Incoming Records bulletin board. Continuing in the vein of a practical joke, five pennies were deposited in the empty stocking.

Then the joking stopped. Cpl. Glenn DeHann made a poster pointing to the stocking, and reminding passersby that the money would be used for the Infantile Paralysis Fund. Now, when the men pass the bulletin board they drop loose change into the stocking. The amount has already grown to over five dollars and it keeps mounting every day.

Cpl. DeHann is in charge of the fund. "A few days before the President's Birthday, we're going to take the stocking off the bulletin board and count the money, then send it on to the Commander-in-Chief," he states. "It's gotten so heavy, I guess I'll have to put a support under it so it won't fall off the board. The more support needed, the better."

Incoming Records is in building T-306 and is under the supervision of CWO Stanley Spencer.

Compact Kit For Testing Water

A testing kit that makes simple and sure the Army's testing of its chlorinated water supplies has been developed by Major Lloyd K. Clark, Sanitary Corps, Office of the Surgeon General, the War Department has announced.

The Army uses calcium hypochlorite to purify water for drinking and cooking purposes. The new testing kit, used to determine the calcium hypochlorite content, is small and compact and is easily operated.

The new device consists of two plastic vials: One is used for testing and has a one-inch yellow band around it; the other contains orthotolidine tablets. The test vial is filled with a sample of water to which calcium hypochlorite has been added. Orthotolidine is dropped into the water which turns various shades of yellow, depending upon the chlorine content.

If the water turns a lighter yellow than the yellow band, more hypochlorite must be added. If an orange shade is obtained, the water is over-chlorinated and should be diluted. If it turns a yellow equal to the color of the band or a yellow darker, the water is satisfactory. Thirty minutes should elapse before the water is used.

Heretofore, the method of testing chlorinated water has been largely one of guess work. Liquid orthotolidine was used, and no accurate color test could be applied since there was no standard for color comparison. Tablets standardize the amount of orthotolidine used in the test, eliminating the problem of bottle breakage, and requiring less space.

One of Original "Ink Spots" With Army Band

Charles Fuqua, guitar player and baritone singer with the Ink Spots, is in the Army now, at Camp Shanks, N. Y.

Private Fuqua, one of the four original Ink Spots, always introduced the group with his distinctive guitar rhythm. The Ink Spots were organized in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1933, and received their first break in radio with Station WHK there.

After remaining at the Cleveland Station for four months, another offer was received from Station WLW at Cincinnati. Four months of singing over WLW brought more publicity, and so the group made its next appearance in London, England, and also Glasgow and Aberdeen, Scotland.

Upon returning to America in 1938, the Ink Spots were given their first big chance on Broadway. These Broadway successes finally brought contracts for parts in Hollywood productions.

Private Fuqua was inducted into the Army at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and was assigned to Camp Shanks.



Camp Stewart, Ga.—Every soldier visiting the WAC Detachment here Christmas Day was searched. If he had a piece of mistletoe it was OK. If he didn't possess any, he was led into the day room where "excuses" were hung at six inch intervals.

CHAPEL SERVICES

CATHOLIC SERVICES

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a. m., Chapel 985 and 2485; 9:30 a. m., Post Stockade; 10:00 a. m., Chapel 985; 11:00 a. m., Hospital Red Cross Building T-156.

Week Days

Mass, 5:30 p. m., Chapel 985 and Chapel 1885; Novena, 5:30 p. m. Friday, Chapel 1885. Confessions any time during day. Chapel 1885 and 985.

Office Hours: (Catholic Chaplains) 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., T-985 and 1885.

Saturday

Confessions: 6:30 to 9:30 p. m., Chapels 1885 and 985; Hospital Red Cross Building, 3:00 to 4:00 p. m.

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Sunday

Protestant Worship, 10:30 a. m., Chapel 68L.

Protestant worship, 9:00 a. m., Chapel 985.

Protestant Worship, 11:00 a. m., Chapel 985.

Evening Song Service, 7:00 p. m., Chapel 985.

Protestant Worship, 10:00 a. m., Hospital, Red Cross Building.

Episcopal Communion, 11 a. m., Hospital, Red Cross Lounge, T-156.

Holy Communion (Episcopal) 9 a. m., Chapel 985.

Protestant Worship, 10:00 a. m., Chapel 1885.

Protestant Communion, 11:00 a. m., Chapel 1885.

Evening Song Service, 7:00 p. m., Chapel 1885.

Protestant Worship, 11:00 a. m., Chapel 2485.

Evening Song Service, 6:30 p. m., Chapel 2485.

Stockade Worship, 2:00 p. m., Post Stockade.

Wednesday

Servicemen's Christian League 7:00 p. m., Chapel 985.

Song and Bible Study, 7:00 p. m., Chapel 1885.

Thursday

Mid-week Service, 7:30 p. m., Chapel 68L.

Song and prayer service, 6:30 p. m., Chapel 2485.

JEWISH SERVICES

Tuesday and Friday at 8:00 p. m., Chapel 1885.

Friday, 4:00 p. m., Hospital Red Cross Building T-165.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, 6:30 p. m.

the inquiring line

Q. As a civilian I held several life insurance policies on which I find it difficult to pay premiums in the Army. Will the Government protect my civilian insurance while I'm in the service?

A. The Government may protect up to \$10,000 worth of your life insurance policies with certain qualifications provided that you took them out at least 30 days before you entered the service. Get in touch with your CO. He'll give you the details.

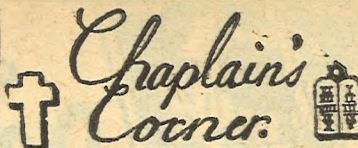
Q. I want to contact a buddy of mine who has shipped overseas but I don't know his address. All I have is his old address at a camp in Louisiana. Shall I write to him there?

A. Yes. If you have your friend's serial number and his original APO, write to him there. If possible the Army will forward his mail to him.

Q. Is it true that the Army Specialized Training Program is being discontinued?

A. No. The War Department has denied persistent rumors that the ASTP is "in the process of liquidation." It is true, however, that the program is being somewhat reduced. There are now about 140,000 soldiers in the ASTP and more than 2,000 have already been graduated and assigned to their new duties. By springtime ASTP students will be graduated at a rate of more than 10,000 a month.

Uncle Sam is considering his own production of "The Mikado" now that he has acquired the Gilbert and Solomons.



A THOUGHT FOR THE YEAR

By Chaplain F. X. Cronin

Man or Animal? Are you a man created a little less than the angels? Or are you a mere super-animal dominated by animal appetites and instincts? Modern pagan morality and the you're-in-the-Army-now school of thought say, in effect, that you are the latter. They like to keep repeating: "It can't be done. Chastity is a myth. It is unnatural. The sexual urge is the voice of nature. Man must yield to it or he'll break down."

Face the Facts: Obviously, the answer is that the "voice of nature" for man is the voice of the nature that God gave him, and it happens to be a different nature from that of Fido, the dog, or Felix, the tomcat. It is man's nature to guide his instincts reasonably, not to follow them blindly.

When God created sex, He established laws for its functioning. And God's law of chastity doesn't need an MP to enforce it. It carries its own rewards and punishments, just as the law of nature. Disregard the laws of ballistics and you'll blow up the barrel of your rifle; try running a tank without oil and you'll burn out the bearings. Disregard the law of chastity and you'll end behind the eight ball.

There is no question about it—one of the chief problems in the service is sex. Amongst some men, women are the chief topic of conversation and weekends are spent in a hunt for bar-flies, easy pickups and prostitutes. Many fellows have little or no respect for women; they seem to believe that women exist merely to satisfy men's desires. Others seem to get a kick out of telling about their "experiences" to any and all who will gather around, regardless of the fact that they are pulling others down to their own low and rotten level.

Through such influences men become obsessed by the idea of sex. They lose the sense of disgust and repulsiveness that one ordinarily associates with sins of impurity. They debase the sacredness of married intimacy. They come to regard the pleasures of sex no longer as a means to an end but as an end in itself.

This habit of impurity becomes a thorough-going tyrant; it is worse than any dictator. It keeps making more and more demands. It eats away ideals of moral goodness, dignity and self respect. It makes a person afraid of the open. It breeds selfishness of the worst kind. The impure man will sacrifice anything to satisfy his passion. The will becomes like jelly. Reason becomes a slave to mere physical instincts, when it should be their master.

G. I. QUIZ

By Camp Newspaper Service 1. The American general who has been named to lead the invasion of Western Europe is—

A—MacArthur B—Eisenhower

2. Following the conferences held at Cairo and Teheran one of the United States military leaders, Gen. George C. Marshall, made a world-wide tour of inspection of fighting fronts. He is the U. S.—

A—Chief of Staff B—Adj. General

3. The estate of the late Edsel Ford, who died last May and who was the only son of Henry Ford, has been revealed as totaling—

A—\$99,000,000 B—\$66,000,000

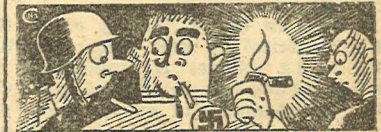
Answers: 1-B; 2-A; 3-B.

"How hard do I have to hit it to knock it into the water?" asked the nervous wife of the mayor, about to do the honors at her first ship launching.

LIFE SAVERS



DON'T THROW or leave papers, boxes, tins, cans, munition cases or any refuse in the open. They should be concealed or buried as they indicate activity in the area.



FLASHLIGHTS and matches should never be lighted outdoors at night in a combat area. Such lights serve the enemy as well as a beacon does a pilot.