

## Minus Deductions

**Camp Luna, N. Mex.**—Pvt. Milford Springer of the Unit Personnel Office, standing in line to collect his \$50 per, was informed that he had won a \$3,600,000 lawsuit in the U. S. Supreme Court. Pvt. Springer, formerly an attorney for the Federal Power Commission, had filed a brief with the high court in a public-utility rate case shortly before entering the service.

## To Whom It May Concern

**Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif.**—S/Sgt. Frank Alters of the 322d Inf., writing to his current heart-throb, told her of his love, his devotion and his faithfulness. He finished the letter, then reached for an envelope. Then he hesitated, shook his head and tore the letter up. He'd forgotten the girl's last name.

## Some Baby

**Baer Field, Ind.**—When the chaplain called up the WAC orderly room here to request a girl to act as godmother at a christening, Cpl. Anne Crotty volunteered. "What was it?" one girl asked when the cor-

## IT MUST BE LOVE

**Camp Blanding, Fla.**—A young boy, who had to have his mother's permission to work at the motor pool here, returned to camp recently with a note from her which read:

"Dear Lieutenant: I love my son. You will love him, too. Let him go to work for you."

poral returned. "Boy or girl?" Cpl. Crotty said it was a boy.

"How darling! How old was he?"

Cpl. Crotty blushed and said: "Twenty-three."

## Come and Get It

**Camp Irwin, Calif.**—It was a cold morning out on the East Range when Pfc. Francis Gentile, bugler for B Btry., 496th Bn., turned out to blow breakfast chow call.

In the middle of the call his memory faltered and he could not remember how it went. In disgust, he threw his bugle to the ground, cupped his hands and yelled: "Chow!"

## AROUND THE CAMPS

**Camp Roberts, Calif.**—Pvt. John Halpin of the 53d FA Tng. Bn. clutched a bottle under his coat as he waited for a streetcar. An automobile swerved off the street and up on the sidewalk, caught Pvt. Halpin on its bumper and gave him a wild ride before it finally came to a halt. When Halpin extricated himself from the bumper, happy that he and the bottle had survived, the bottle slipped out of his grasp and crashed to the pavement.

**Camp Hill, Idaho**—The Hult family of St. Paul, Minn., is going all-out for war. S. J. Hult, 38, arrived here shortly after his son Richard finished boot training. Meanwhile, another son, 17, is planning to enlist in the Army—just to provide fireside arguments at home after the war.

**Camp Gruber, Okla.**—Pfc. Maurice Roberts and Pfc. Jesse Hardy, cooks at the MP-Band mess hall, were finishing their duties when two gals from Muskogee paid them a visit. GIs stared incredulously as the two girls grabbed mops and helped the pfcs clean the floor.

**ASCTC, Fresno, Calif.**—Pvt. Harold D. Cutter claims the West Coast transfer championship. In 15 months he has been in 10 camps and with 22 outfits, yet has never left the Pacific Coast. He's still looking forward to his first pass or furlough. "Just about time one is due," he says, "I get shipped out."

# CAMP NEWS



**TASKMASTER.** C'mon, get into it! This bulldog took over from an instructor to show these GIs at Camp Beale, Calif., how calisthenics should really be done.



**THE IMPOSSIBLE,** but it happened. After Co. B, 27th Tank Bn., at Camp Campbell, Ky., made a crack showing in gunnery, the CO allowed his company to have breakfast in bed. Sgt. Charles Micklick, in bed, is getting the best of care.



**AIR MINDED.** Patsy and Sandra, twin daughters of Sgt. and Mrs. Marlin Sandri of Bolling Field, D. C., are only a year old but they like planes better than cake.



**SPECIAL ATTENTION.** These leathernecks are wasting no time about showing their preference. She's Pfc. Eugenia (Bonnie) Banner, one of the Women Marines at Camp Lejeune, N. C., who threw a party for some of the Corps' male members.



**Camp Barkeley, Tex.**—Pvt. George Lipscomb found it difficult to stay on his seat in a crowded bus. Beside him sat a large individual who, with each turn of the bus, seemed bent on sliding Lipscomb off the seat. Becoming aggravated, the private dug his elbow into the guy's ribs and told him to stay on his own side. When the bus arrived in camp and the lights were turned on, Lipscomb found that his seat partner was no less than a lieutenant colonel.

**Camp Kohler, Calif.**—1st Sgt. James Jones impressed upon the trainees in his outfit that any orders he gave were to be complied with on the double, or else. One trainee took Jones' instructions very seriously. The next morning he came bounding out of his barracks at the first notes of reveille, ran into a GI can in the dark and knocked himself cold.

### TODAY'S GOOD DEED

**Maxton Army Air Base, N. C.**—Pvt. John E. Michalski, on MP duty during the holidays in Laurinburg, was posted at the bus station. He thought nothing of it when a girl approached him, smiling. Then she kissed him and ducked away, laughing.

He turned quickly to find a GI joker standing behind him, laughing, too, as he held a piece of mistletoe over the blushing MP's head.

### IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY

**H. L. Bruner, a marine at Parris Island, S. C.; Stella Bruner, a Wac at Camp Crowder, Mo., and P. L. Bruner, an Army MP at Fort Screven, Ga., are son, mother and father, and all corporals.**



**Patterson Field, Ohio**—Pfc. J. R. Hancock of the 478th Guard Sq. was busy in the supply room making a platform to be used by guards in directing traffic at the main gate. His masterpiece finished, he stepped back awaiting the praise of the supply men. None came. The platform was too big to go through the supply-room door.

**Stinson Field, Tex.**—T-4 Howard Johnson was in something of a fog when, having finished his noon meal, he got up from the table and headed dreamily toward the barracks. There he was recalled to consciousness by the laughter of his barracks mates and the discovery that he was still carrying his tray, cup and silverware.

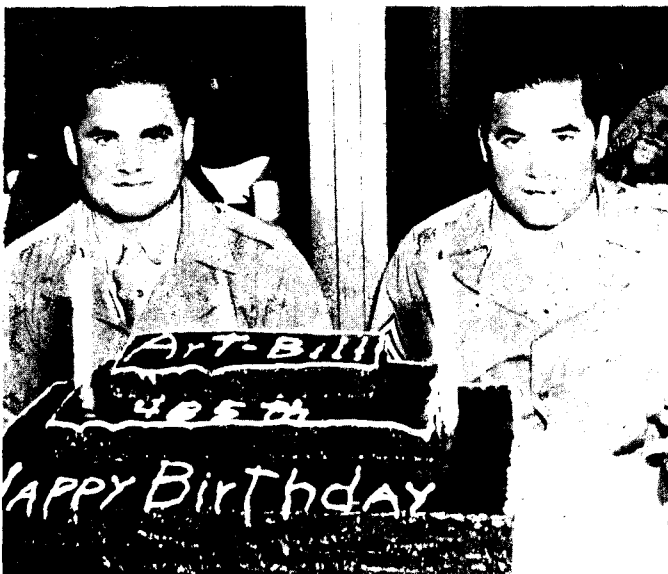
**Fort Eustis, Va.**—Cpl. Ralph B. Robinson, Radio School instructor, is awakened each morning by no harsh, nerve-grating alarm clock. Instead, his clock gives forth with the melodic and sprightly strains of "Off to Work We Go," the hit tune from "Snow White." The clock is a Christmas gift from Robinson's wife.

**Camp Davis, N. C.**—Pfc. Gilbert Owen was taking golf lessons from Sgt. Charlie Dow, who teaches GIs at Daytona Beach, Fla. Dow had about given up when, on the short fourth hole, Owen miraculously hit the pin on his drive. "See if you can do that again," said Dow. Owen teed up, took an unprofessional swipe at the ball. This time it landed in the cup for an ace.

**Fort Sheridan, Ill.**—A former Nazi storm trooper, who served in Hitler's forces for about a year, is among the trainees in the 1672d STU. He is Pvt. Frank Seiferman, who came to the U. S. before Pearl Harbor and is now applying for American citizenship.

**Gardiner General Hospital, Ill.**—Another candidate for the shortest name in the Army is nominated by Cpl. Walter Thoresen who reports that a recent patient here was Pvt. John Ey, who has a sister named Dot Ey.

**Scott Field, Ill.**—Pvt. John T. Shearer, fireman in the 30th TSS, discovered why the hot water supply in one of the barracks dwindled very rapidly after first-shift students went off to class. Each morning, after the students left at 0515, one of his assistants would close himself in the latrine, turn on all the hot-water faucets in the shower room and take a steam bath.



**DOUBLE BIRTHDAY.** Sgt. Arthur L. and Cpl. Bill Hafits, twins, celebrate their 26th birthday together at the Kearney Army Air Base, Nebr., with the help of the mess-hall bakers, who gave them their cake.



**TAG WARMERS.** Cpl. Rosella Malone, mail clerk in the Engineer Replacement Center, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., knitted special "bootees" to tie over her dog tags. They stop them jingling and keep her warm.



**BASEBALL EYES.** Maybe he could call a strike, but Art Passarella, first major-league umpire to be inducted, is having a hard time threading a needle to sew on his T-5s at Camp Grant, Ill.



**PLAIN GUY.** M. Sgt. Henry Lalumendier, 51, Tinker AAF, Okla., fought in four World War I battles, at Pearl Harbor and Midway, but he wears no ribbons.

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What goes on in the

# ENTERTAINMENT WORLD back home

Dinah Shore has started work on "Belle of the Yukon." Johnny Burke and Jimmy Van Heusen are doing the songs. . . . At Marjorie Reynolds' urging, the girls in the cast of "Up in Mabel's Room" have selected Chief Gunner's Mate Jimmy Fitzsimmons, Pacific veteran, as "the man they'd most want to find Up in Mabel's Room." . . . Elsa Lanchester, in "Passport to Adventure," plays the part of a London charwoman planning to kill Hitler. . . . Vivien Leigh returns to the screen in a film version of George Bernard Shaw's "Caesar and Cleopatra." . . . Barton MacLane has been signed for one of the principal roles in "Pilebuck," which stars Pat O'Brien. . . . Dorothy Lamour plays an Indian Princess in the new Technicolor musical, "Princess on the Warpath." . . . Benny Goodman checked into Hollywood recently to play himself in "Sweet and Lowdown," a semibiographical tale of his own musical career. . . . The first Hopalong Cassidy film without Bill Boyd went into production this month. . . . Ruth Hussey, who provides the chief feminine appeal in "Marine Raiders," was recently made an honorary member of "The Wolf Pack," a group of Marine fighter pilots who held Henderson Field on Guadalcanal. . . . James Craig has the romantic lead opposite Lana Turner in "Marriage Is a Private Affair." . . . Lena Horne was selected by the magazine *Mademoiselle* to receive one of the 10 Merit Awards for high achievement among young women in 1943. . . . Joseph Cotten has the leading male role in "The House of Dr. Edwards," thriller which Alfred Hitchcock will direct. . . . Esther Williams, former Olympic swimming star, will play her first dramatic role in "Thrill of a Romance." . . . Chester Morris has the lead in "Sub-Busters," a Merchant Marine story. . . . The story of Gen. Billy Mitchell is to be filmed from the biography written by Isaac Don Levine.

Amy Arnell, former vocalist with Tommy Tucker, has left to go it alone. . . . The new thrush with Al Donahue's band is a New Orleans gal, Dana Phelps. Donahue found her singing at the Casino Royale. . . .



Amy Arnell

Karl George, former trumpet player with Lionel Hampton, has joined the Stan Kenton band on the West Coast. . . . Freddie Slack is in the Navy. . . . Count Basie's orchestra is due to return to the Lincoln Hotel in New York City next month. . . . Billy Bishop is the envy of most band leaders; he has an all-4-F crew. . . . Georgie Auld's orchestra followed Enric Madriguera into the Commodore Hotel in New York City. . . . Gracie Barrie, who took over the baton when her husband, Dick Stabile, went into the Coast Guard last year, disbanded her orchestra recently and went back into circulation as a soloist. . . . Teddy Powell, who goes into the College Inn of the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, later this month, has a 4-F rating. . . . Louis Prima won a fiddling contest in New Orleans at the age of 10 and organized a 12-piece band to cash in on his fame. . . . Hal McIntyre has written a book about the dance-band business titled "Chords and Discords." . . . Kitty Kallen, vocalist with Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra, left that outfit to join the Bing Crosby air show. . . . Roy Eldredge, who has been working night-



RITA HAYWORTH in Columbia's "Cover Girl"



club dates with a six-piece band, has organized a 15-piece outfit. . . . Charlie Agnew and band are at El Rancho Vegas in Las Vegas, Nev.

## COAST TO COAST

Evelyn Knight, singing star of CBS, introduced a song, "Ship at Sea," written by Pvt. Sol Parker while aboard ship en route to North Africa. Parker, with Frank Sinatra, also wrote "This



Evelyn Knight

Love of Mine." . . . After she closes at the Palmer House, Chicago, Hildergarde is scheduled to star in a Broadway musical to be produced by Mike Todd. . . . A road company of "Arsenic and Old Lace" with Boris Karloff did capacity business at the Kansas City (Mo.) Music Hall, the Des Moines (Iowa) Shrine Auditorium and other spots in the Middle West. . . . Stage shows were dropped for a straight film policy by the Central Theater in Passaic, N. J. . . . Sophie Tucker will follow Jimmie Durante into the Copacabana in New York. . . . Bingo games, which have kept many theaters going, proved no boon to the Palace Theater in Mt. Jewett, Pa.; the house shuttered recently for "lack of cooperation." . . . Dramatization of Arthur Train's character, "Mr. Tutt," is in the offing, with Raymond Massey in the title role. . . . The Cafe Loyale, Fifth Ave. (N. Y.) restaurant for many years, has been turned into a night club. . . . Reviewers of George White's "Scandals of 1944" at the Orpheum in San Diego voted the production White's best in recent years. . . . The Houston (Tex.) Symphony Orchestra provided the background music for a wrestling show put on at the Houston Municipal Auditorium for the recent War Bond drive. . . . KSTP, Twin Cities NBC outlet, moves on Mar. 2 to a new location on the second floor of the former Minnesota Theater in Minneapolis, now named the Radio City Theater. . . . The American Music Theater's successful English rendition of "La Traviata" at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium will be followed by similar offerings of "The Marriage of Figaro" on Mar. 7 and "La Boheme" on May 9. . . . The public-relations committee of the Philadelphia Board of Education is issuing monthly bulletins to teachers and parent-teacher groups, recommending radio programs for in-school and out-of-school children.

## War Sinks Showboat

Capt. Billy Bryant's Showboat, a tradition of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers for almost 50 years, has passed out of the picture for the duration. It was sold recently and will sweat out the war as a wharboat in Huntington, W. Va.

Bryant, reports have it, will take his show under canvas in the Spring, covering the same Ohio Valley towns he once did by water.

## Toscanini on Film

Three years ago a movie company offered Arturo Toscanini \$250,000 for a single picture, but the maestro turned it down cold. Recently behind locked doors at NBC, New York, a short featuring the great conductor was made by the Motion Picture Bureau of the Overseas Division of OWI. Informal takes were also made at the maestro's home in Riverdale, N. Y.

The short, which will be distributed soon overseas, and for which Toscanini offered his services gratis, features also the NBC Symphony with Jan Peerce, Met tenor, as soloist, supported by the Westminster Choir.

## The Three Senses

LATEST gag going the rounds of the radio game has the 9 P. M. (EWT) slot on Wednesday night tagged as the "Battle of the Senses." The "Eyes" (comedian Eddie Cantor) are on NBC, the "Voice" (swooner Frank Sinatra) is on CBS, and the "Brain" (mind-reader Dunninger) is on the Blue Network.

## Music Rest Camp

A rest camp, part of a plan for the rehabilitation of former musicians and singers who have been given HDs by the services, may be established at Cape Cod, Mass., next summer. The camp, which will afford ex-GIs an opportunity for public performance before returning to the actual professional field, will be opened by the Cape Cod Musical Arts Center, East Brewster, Mass., and will be staffed by a group of resident directors and teachers.

The organization will be housed in a building on the East Brewster beach, accommodating 150 persons, and will offer opportunities for public performances of light operas and ballet.

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