



NICE IS PARADISE

THE RIVIERA---

UNIT SCHOOL HOLDING ITS OWN

BUT WHO'D BELIEVE IT!

For those who have wanted to go to the Riviera on the southern coast of France for a seven-day rest but have not thus far been able, this short account of the facilities and surprises offered by the USRRA (United States Riviera Recreation Area) staff in Nice France, and its environs is related so that, even though your chance to go there may not come, you will have a vague idea of what it's like to spend a few days at Nice where the international set submerged into a life of "at ease" and merriment before the war.

First it should be said that the writer of this article has been there. All that is told here is told from an EM's viewpoint, and it's told by an EM who wants to give credit where it belongs; and certainly the USRRA staff has done a wonderful job and deserves credit for making an EM's paradise of Nice.

The group of EM, WACs, Officers and Nurses who leave from Leghorn harbor bound for a rest is made up of personnel from all over Italy. The Italian boat is one which has been remodeled to furnish comfortably a place to eat and sleep for the passengers during their 16-hour voyage. It's not like the Queen Mary, but accommodations are

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The infant school of the 12th, although having lost a bit of its birth weight, so to speak, in the form of disenrollments, has settled down to a fairly stable group. Now that the school has completed its second week, there will be no more drops save for valid cause; even though initial enrollment was voluntary, there can be no organized class where the group is constantly shifting. Class members are reminded that this is a duty school and they will be accountable to department heads for absences. On the other hand, department heads are requested to encourage attendance, and, except in the case of emergency situations, not to prevent interested men from attending; there are enough men in the unit with little or nothing to do at the present time that detention from classes can scarcely be justified.

A new class in Music Appreciation will start tomorrow in Room 5 at 0930 hours, meeting Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. This class promises to be one of the most popular in the school, enrollment already having exceeded the thirty mark. The textbook drawn for the course is History of Music by T.M. Finney, but actual class hours will be largely occupied by the playing of serious recorded music with subsequent discussion and criticism.

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NICE REST CENTER (Cont'd from Page 1)-
better than those offered most soldiers coming to this hemisphere from the USA.

UNIT SCHOOL (Cont'd from Page 1)
Another popular class recently organized is the informal series conducted by Lt Col Crowder on The Physics of X-Ray. This class meets in Room 1 at 1300 hours, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and all interested are invited to attend.

After arriving at Nice harbor, the boat is quickly tied up and personnel are allowed to disembark onto the pier immediately. At this time the old Army custom of waiting around is broken and is forgotten during the stay at the rest area. After the group gathers on the pier a member of the USRRA staff orientates them on their privileges. The first shock comes when he advises the EM that it is not necessary to wear hats or even shirts, nor to salute at any time. "Just see that you wear sufficient clothes to conform with decency. From now on while you are at this rest center you may do what you wish with your time. Go to bed and sleep for seven days, or don't go to bed at all. That's your privilege. The bars close at midnight; curfew is at 0200 hours. Have a good time!" It doesn't seem possible at first, but it is actually the way it happens in Nice. The restees are given hotel reservations, meal tickets, a map and guide of the town, and Courtesy Passes with which PX rations and many other "extras" are obtained. A charge of 100 francs (\$2.00) is required of everyone for incidental expenses.

Not to be outdone by the better schools back home, the 12th now boasts a Visual Aid Room which has been established for the use of organized classes. This room, located on the 2d floor (above the regular class rooms), is completely blacked out and set up for instantaneous use. A projector is available for training films that apply to the subject taught. A new combination balopticon, stereopticon, and film-strip projector is also available. Many men are apparently unaware of the Supervised Study Hall which has also been set up on the 2nd floor. This room has been made as comfortable and attractive as possible so that the environment will be conducive to study. A liberal supply of fine reference materials are available here. However, these references may not be removed from the room, for, in most instances, the school possesses but one copy of each title, and it is important that they be available to interested personnel at all times.

Soon the restees are taken in Army trucks to their hotels and shown to their rooms. The hotels are the fin-

Education in the upper brackets also got away to a flying start with the submission of five names for attendance at the Army University Study Cen

*"Redeployment
Bope"*

MECHANICAL BRAIN KEEPS TRACK OF GIs

Hawaii (CNS)----The Army's electro-mechanical brain, the most marvelous machine of the age which can read, write, add, subtract, and do almost everything else but talk, has been given the task of keeping track of Army personnel scattered throughout the vast Pacific.

Set up in a small room at Fort Shafter, the "brain" goes through its amazing calculations daily. It's all done, not with mirrors, but through machine records.

Fort Lewis, Wash (CNS)--Lt Regis R. Forbes received this wire from his wife: "GOING TO HOSPITAL 9 AM FOR EXTRA 24 POINTS HOWS THAT FOR COOPERATION".

Twin boys were born to Lt and Mrs. Forbes on May 12, 10 hours before the deadline for computing points toward discharge.

MEDICS HEAD EAST

Pacific (CNS)--More hospitals, hospital ships, doctors, nurses, and enlisted medics are being diverted to the Pacific to care for casualties and to prevent and cure the diseases peculiar to the Far East, the Surgeon General has announced.

VETS GET GOOD JOBS IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia (CNS)---Of 70 World War II veterans placed in jobs with private industry by 7 Philadelphia branches of the U. S. Employment Service during a week's period 93% were placed in jobs paying 70 cents an hour or better; 26% were placed in jobs paying 90 cents an hour or better. Highest wage obtained by a veteran during the week was \$1.35 an hour

TWO-THIRDS OF GIs PLAN TO TAKE

JOBS AFTER WAR

Washington (CNS)---More than 3/4 of all men now in the Army worked for an employer before entering military service and more than 2/3 definitely plan to take jobs as employees after discharge.

That is indicated by a survey of postwar plans of troops made by the Information and Education Division, Army Service Forces.

On the basis of present plans, according to the survey, about 2/5 of all men are likely to go back to their old employer, roughly 2,500,000. About 8%, or about 625,000 men now in the Army are definitely planning to attend full time school, while another 13%, more than a million men, definitely are planning to be self-employed.

Dear Editor

Have You Heard?

Dear Editor:

It is time that somebody voiced a loud protest against the stupid motion pictures that are being foisted on the poor overseas troop. I refer namely to two lulus we had recently: "Can't Help Singing" and "Marriage is a Private Affair". In the first-mentioned picture, aside from some beautiful technicolor shots---the picture as far as entertainment value was concerned, was a "Grade A" stinker. If lovely Miss Durbin really can't help singing (at \$75,000 a picture), why must we be forced to listen. I use the word "forced" since we have no other choice of entertainment available to us. And the second of the above-mentioned films---"Marriage is a Private Affair" is aptly named. If all marriages are as dull as the one portrayed in this film.....I fear that our men, after seeing this picture, will hesitate to take the leap and therefore cause a lowering of the birth rate of our nation. In other words, what I am trying to say, is that this marriage should really have been kept private without the benefit of an audience.

With shipping space as cramped as we are led to believe it is, I am in favor of the army shipping over more comic books in preference to these childish films. I am certain that the men will get more entertainment out of
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YOU, TOO, CAN GET THE

BRONZE SERVICE ARROWHEAD

Of the many notables stationed at the 12th General Hospital, one in particular, must be brought to the attention of all concerned. He is now a high-ranking non-com and the deed that warrants this article and a niche for the Sgt in posterity is his role in the Dieppe raid in 1941. None of us will ever forget the sacrifice and devotion to country that propelled these men to volunteer for the almost suicide task of seeking information across the Channel for the Allied cause. He is not wont to talk about this feat and it was only by a perusal of certain records that the matter was brought to light by a signed affidavit of participation in a raid that tore the heart-strings of every Allied nation. The Sgt humbly gave his rank at the time as PFC.

This document is forever a part of the archives of the 12th General and will eventually rest in the archives of the WD in Washington, D.C.

We SALUTE YOU, Mon SERGEANT!

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If you know any unknown "hero", please submit "his version" of the tale to MEDI-CALL, so that he may also receive his "rightful" share of praise and glory!

MALE CALL by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates" BUM CHECK AT A BLOOD BANK



G-I NEWS

SUPPLY CRISIS PROBLEM IN PACIFIC

Here are some figures which portray graphically the tremendous logistical problem involved in redeploying American troops and equipment to the Pacific and Asia in order to concentrate our full strength against Japan. ----

SUPPLIES: Every time 100 men are sent overseas with 100 rifles, 60 more rifles must be shipped each year to replace those lost or damaged. For every 100 machine guns, 85 extras per year must be shipped. To keep the tanks alone in an armored division in operation for one year requires about 8000 different kinds of parts and assemblies, or about 1,500,000 individual pieces packed in 15,000 boxes and packages, transported to ports of embarkation by 600 freight cars. The 471 jeeps in an armored division require about 471,000 spare parts for one year of operations.

An infantry division in one day of active combat may require more than 500 tons of ammunition; an armored division may use 75,000 gallons of gasoline for each 100 miles of operation.

The initial requirements to service and maintain 1000 B-17s are: 1000 tons of ammunition; 15,000 tons of bombs; 30,000 tons of gasoline; 700 tons of oil and grease; 44,000 tons of miscellaneous supplies. For 30 days of operations, the requirements go up to 145,000 tons. (CNS)

MEDICAL OFFICERS TO HAVE CHOICE

OF DUTY IN US

Under a new War Department program medical officers released from service overseas can decide for themselves whether they wish to accept continuing assignments with the Veterans Administration in the United States, Maj.

Gen. George F. Lull, deputy surgeon general of the Army announced recently.

The new ruling, he said, would replace present regulations under which officers returned home from the battle fronts have been compelled to accept transfers to veterans' hospitals even though many have protested that such assignments violated the terms of their enlistment for military service only.

While the new regulations go into effect immediately, they would not change the status of officers now serving with veterans' facilities in the United States until sometime in August or September, General Lull said. (ANS)

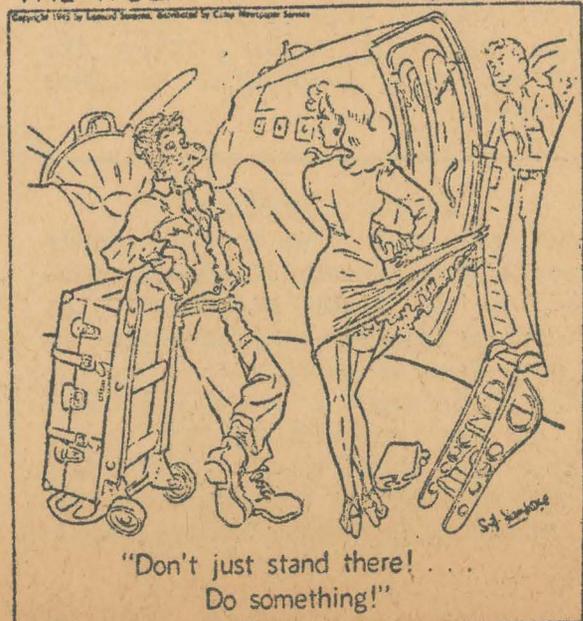
'TAKE CARE OF THE PENNIES-----'

(ACS)--The Camp Hood 'News' comes up with a novel 61-day plan for buying extra War Bonds with pennies. Here's how it works:

On the first day you save one penny, the next day 2, the next day 3, etc. At the end of 2 months your final piggy-bank payment is only 61¢ and you've accumulated a little more than the \$18.75 needed to buy a bond.

THE WOLF

by Sansone



"Don't just stand there! . . .
Do something!"

UNIT SCHOOL (Cont'd from Page 2)----
 ter at Florence. The first session, lasting for one month, is scheduled to begin the 30th of June. The lucky men include: T/Sgt Harvey J. Swartz; T/4 Melvin E. Rosenbaum; Cpl John B. Glasgow; Pfc Luther Dawson; Pfc Maynard Dodge. Selections were made on the basis of AEP questionnaires filled out some weeks ago subject to these limitations: availability of the subject field preferred; essentiality of the individual in the present situation; preference for the Study Center rather than foreign university; personal contact, where the genuineness of the interest was the domination factor. If there are any who would like to check their questionnaires to make sure that they have expressed true choices, stop in at the Unit School Office. Qualifications for eligibility include one of the following: (1) former college student; (2) high school graduate; (3) an AGCT score of 105 or more.

Every effort is being made to make this Unit School of ours a worthwhile experience for all involved. The opportunity is open to everyone, though no one is forced to participate. It is true that we would like to see the project grow, and yet size is by no means a valid criterion. If but one student meeting with one teacher gets only one hour of instruction in a subject he sincerely wants, then the school has been successful to just that extent!

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Although most of us were too young to recall this speech, if it was published, we no doubt recognize the quiet and persuading tone in which it must have been delivered:

"We must demand a great enlightenment on the subject of the peace treaty. With thoughts of love? No! But in holy hatred against those who have ruined us."--Adolf Hitler, 1922.

NEWS BRIEFS FROM HOME

Indianapolis (CNS)--A woman stick-up artist tapped passer-by Charlie Whinney on the head with a brass-headed walking stick, relieved him of \$125 and pinned this note to his waistcoat: "Sorry. Had to do it. Baby needs new shoes."

Cleveland (CNS)--Robert Harris was found guilty on a drunken driving count. "\$100 and costs," said the judge, "to be executed Monday." Harris promptly fainted. He thought he was going to die.

San Francisco (CNS)----A friendly rummy game was going on in the back room of a local sporting club when a couple of stickup artists came in, removed the players' pants and winnings and prepared to depart. They were detained, however, by a couple of other stick-up artists who arrived at that moment, removed everybody's pants and all the cash in the house--and left.

Indianapolis (CNS)----Frank Davis stopped his car to pick up a couple of innocent-looking hitch-hikers. A moment later a police car drove up and removed the free loaders from Mr. Davis' auto. They were 2 escaped PWs.

Tacoma, Wash (CNS)---Pat O'Malley, a handsome cop, was patrolling his beat when a strange blond rushed up and hugged him impulsively. Unimpressed, Officer O'Malley arrested the blond--- for disorderly conduct.

Teaneck, N.J. (CNS)----John Daddy watched a suspicious looking man lift a package from a parked car. "Hey," said Daddy, punching the man's nose, "put that back." In court Daddy learned to his chagrin that the suspicious looking stranger was the owner of the parked car.

HATCH AN EGG WITH SOLDIERS!
 DEPOSITS AT 4%

S P O R T S

PBS BIG-TEN LEAGUE STANDING

TEAMS	W	L	PCTG.	GBH
REDBIRDS	9	0	1.000	-
Boomers	8	2	.800	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bladers	6	2	.750	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Laundry Reds	7	3	.700	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
White Hats	1	3	.250	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Motor Macs	2	6	.250	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cobblers	2	7	.222	7
Flying Cats	1	6	.143	7

HOSPITAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDING

TEAMS	W	L	PCTG.	G.B.H.
Med. Serv.	5	0	1.000	-
Mixers	3	0	1.000	1
Stripes	4	1	.800	1
Medi-Call	4	3	.571	2
Mess	2	2	.500	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Utilities	2	2	.500	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Deadbirds	2	2	.500	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Laboratory	2	5	.286	4

LAST SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Bladers 16; Cobblers 5
 REDBIRDS-Flying Cats postponed

GAMES TODAY

White Hats vs REDBIRDS (Ory Field)
 Cobblers at Boomers
 Motor Macs at Flying Cats

REDBIRDS RESUME PLAY AFTER WEEK-LONG LAYOFF

Well rested after a 7 day respite the Redbirds swing back into action this afternoon when they meet the "White Hats", an MP outfit, in a PBS Big Ten League Game at Ory Field at 14:00 hours. The White Hats are a new entry in the League and therefore, of unknown strength.

Lefty Prymicz, yet to be beaten, will try for his 11th straight win, and the 'Birds will be strengthened by the return of Vince Kelly and Ed Subjeck.

* B A S E B A L L T O D A Y *
 * O R Y F I E L D - 2 : 0 0 P M *
 * *Redbirds* vs W H I T E H A T S *
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(2 clubs have dropped out)

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

TONITE.....Medicall vs Deadbirds
 Mixers vs Med. Serv.

MONDAY.....Mess vs Surg. Serv.
 85 Pointers vs Stripes

TUESDAY.....Utilities vs. Lab.

WEDNESDAY.....Mess vs Med. Serv.
 Medicall vs. 85 Pointers

THURSDAY.....Utilities vs Mixers
 85 Pointers vs Surg Serv.

FRIDAY.....Deadbirds vs Mess
 Lab. vs Stripes

SATURDAY.....Medicall vs Med Serv.
 Utilities vs. 85 Pointers

(All games at Central Park, 1800 hrs)

1st PLACE AT STAKE TONITE AS
 MEDICAL SERVICE CLASHES WITH MIXERS

For the first time in weeks, Russ Briney's Medical Service ten have a definite challenge to their undisputed possession of 1st place in the Hospital Softball League. Tonite they meet the strong, unbeaten Mixers.
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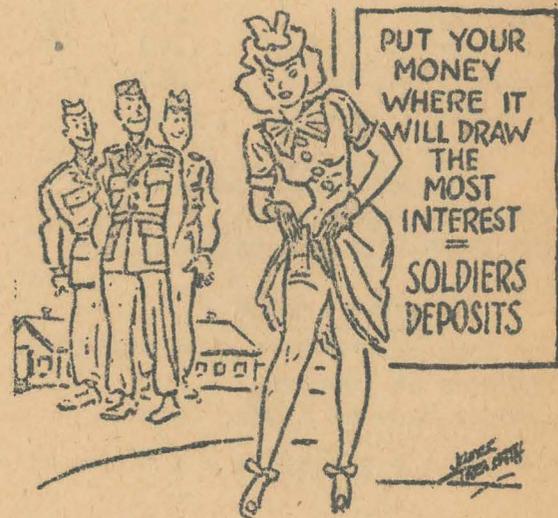
NICE REST CENTER (Cont'd from Page 2)
est in Nice. Each is staffed by civilians who have a thorough knowledge of the city and who can speak American. A shopping guide is there to give suggestions on "where to buy what" and will accompany restees on shopping tours if they so desire. Some hotels serve meals, others don't, but it has been arranged with nearby restaurants for serving meals to restees. The food is GI but very tasty inasmuch as it is prepared by French cooks who know their "onions". Meal hours are from 7-10, 12-3, 6-8:30. Oh yes, food is served to you at the table by mademoiselles. No money is required for hotel room or meals.....just present the Courtesy Pass, and it's all yours for the asking.

It is impossible to describe all of the many nice things offered to restees. Some are all the cokes one can drink and free, too; quantities of ice-cold beer are available at three francs a glass; motorboat cruises along the coast; speedboat rides in Chris-Craft; bicycles for getting around town; tours to nearby towns of Cannes, Grasse, Gorge du Loup, Antibes. While in Grasse you can visit the perfume factories and see how perfume, lipstick (the kiss-proof type), and face powder are made and can buy a bottle of "Evening in Nice" for the girl back home. Don't worry about not having anything to do; for if you become tired of all the above, just don swimming trunks and relax in the wonderful sunshine on the Cote d'Azur.

And now something about the mademoiselles, the ooh la la girls. If a group of them are walking down the street, you immediately think of a rainbow for their hair is dyed all colors from purples and pinks to platinum blondes and they wear it stacked high on top of the head. Above-the-knee skirts are in vogue, as are thick soled shoes and dimpled knees. Many speak American and just as many are willing to take a stroll along the Promenade des Anglais with soldiers

\$275 BILLIONS TO SINK NAZIS

Washington (ACS)--It cost the people of the U.S. approximately \$275,000,000,000 for our part in bringing Germany to her knees, Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr, estimates. About \$109,000,000,000 of that was financed by war loans and about \$13,762,000,000 through E bonds sales. All 6 war loan drives to date have been oversubscribed.



LETTER TO EDITOR (Cont'd from Page 4)
"Superman" than out of these "Hollywood Masterpieces". Such a waste of good films.....when so many of us are trying to get several rolls of it to record our overseas adventure! It is an insult to the mentality of the American soldier when Hollywood can think they are doing us a favor by giving us this sort of junk. Phew!...

"just to see if you, too, have a Brooklyn accent." Another thing..... there are enough mademoiselles to go around.

Nothing should be said about the return trip except that it is a wonderful means of recuperating from a seven-day rest in Nice.