



At bat, Fort Custer 1942



## OFF-DUTY

Medical personnel engaged in a variety of leisurely pursuits while off-duty. They went to the movies, attended dances organized by the American Red Cross, congregated with their colleagues in the Officers' and Enlisted Men's clubs, and watched USO entertainers, including Bob Hope and Bing Crosby, perform. Athletic activities remained popular diversions from military and hospital responsibilities. The staff organized a basketball and baseball team called the "Redbirds" that played in highly-publicized tournaments.



Swimming, Fort Custer 1942



GIs visiting Leaning Tower of Pisa, c. 1944

Many individuals in the 12th General Hospital Unit had never before traveled abroad. They took advantage of exploring historic sites on Army-sponsored excursions as well as on their own. In particular, when stationed on the outskirts of Rome, they experienced Italian culture through plays, operas, and museums.



Trip to the Villa Cimbrone, Revello 1944

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ARMY EXCHANGE SERVICE DRINK CARD

Coke	Coke	Coke	Coke	Coke
1	1	1	1	1
Bottle	Bottle	Bottle	Bottle	Bottle

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Beer—	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Smoking Ration	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Candy Bar 5c/	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Candy Rolls 5c/	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Chewing Gum	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Tobacco Chew	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Soap Laundry	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Soft Drinks	8	7	5	5	4	3	2	1

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Candy, Package	4	3	2	1
Soap, Toilet	4	3	2	1
Blades, Razor	4	3	2	1

EVERY FOUR WEEKS

Fruit Juices	1	1	1	1
Paste or Paper	1	1	1	1

MEMBERSHIP CARD  
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