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# E.B. GETS OFFICIAL INSURANCE STATEMENT

# SOLDIERS MUST PAY INCOME TAX UNLESS IN OVERSEAS SERVICE

Brother, if you had notions that income taxes are one of them civvy annoyances like rationing, priorities, etc., wake up. Grab an aspirin, dreamer, if it'll help when you learn that only everseas service men get an automatic postpenement.

GI's in the U.S. rust pay. The enly "unless" is: if the amount you ewo is unquestionably greater than you can pay out of your Arry "salary." Even then you must ask the Internal Revenue (cont. on p. 3, col. 2)

## AER COLLECTS

# HQ LEADS EM SQUADRONS IN PAY DONATIONS

Hq. & Hq. Squadren lod the enlisted men's cutfits of AAFCC in denations to Army Energency Relief last pay day, according to Sgt. Major William H. Duke, collector for C. C. An impressive total of \$644.15 poured into AER's treasury from AAFCC.

The \$55.13 contributed by Hq. supporters ranked the squadron fourth among all C. C. organizations. Other EM squadren totals: 386--\$52.75; Psych--\$23.21; 888--\$19.91; 885--\$14.00; 887--\$10.90.

Biggest contribution was the \$113.40 turned in by Av/C Squadron 106. Proceeds from other Cadet units included: 102--\$106.84; 113--\$58.13; 108--\$48.40; 109--\$40.29; 107--\$35.07; 111--\$28.32; 112--\$21.43; 110--\$16.29.

There has been considerable discussion within the past few days concerning the campaign, which is being put on, pointing out the advantages of National Service Life Insurance to all officers and onlisted men of this command.

In order to fully understand the reasons for this, it will be necessary to go back a little over two years. When the Congress passed the Selective Service Act in 1940, it also provided that each member of the armed forces would be entitled to purchase up to \$10,000 of insurance at extremely low rates. This insurance, which is known as National Service Life Insurance, is under-written by the Government and administered by the Voteran's Administration.

The Act provided that a member of the armed forces could apply for this Insurance without examination provided application was made within 120 days from the date of his entry on active duty. A modical examination was required if application was made later than that date.

A large number of men entering service availed themselves of this opportunity, but since, to the majority of us, war seemed a remete possibility the latter part of 1940 and most of 1941, an extremely high percentage of men did not feel they needed this coverage.

Then came December 7th and Pearl Harbor.

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A large number of our soldiers, sailors and marines who lost their lives at Pearl Harbor and in subsequent engagements, did not have any insurance.

An Act of Congress was passed in December, 1942, which provided that every man who was killed or wounded in these engagements was insured retroactively for \$5,000, and many widows, mothers and other beneficiaries were paid this amount even though the man who had given his life had not made application for the insurance.

Congress further provided that any man in service on December 20, 1941, regardless of the length of his service, would be allowed the privilege of applying for insurance without examination, provided he did so before April 20, 1942. With this opportunity a large number of men applied for the insurance and the percentage of men who were insured increased. Still no particular effort was made to urge officers and men to apply for the full \$10,000 or any part of it. They were, in most instances, merely told that the insurance was available if they desired it.

The foregoing facts, while they may seem a little disconnected, may give you a little of the background of the present "drive," if you want to call it that.

"Why is so much 'pressure' being put on?" That question has been asked on many occasions recently. It is quite true that every man has been urged to apply for Government Life Insurance, but the "pressure" does not emanate from the AAFCC, SAACC, or for that matter from the AAFCCTC. The pressure comes from widows and mothers of men who have lost their lives in recent months, and who did not leave any insurance!

Let us take the example (the names are fictitious, but the facts are not) of two men living in the same town, both of whom were killed in action. The mother of one, Mrs. Jones, was advised by the Veteran's Administration that her son was insured for \$10,000 of National Service Life Insurance and that monthly payments to her would begin immediately. The mother of the other man, Mrs. Smith, heard nothing from the Veteran's Administration and upon making inquiries was advised that her son, Henry, had never applied for insurance. Mrs. Smith took the attitude that her son was just as

thoughtful of her welfare as was Mrs. Jones' son, and she wrote a letter to her Congressman, making the statement that she was sure that if Henry had been offered the opportunity to buy insurance he would have done so: She wanted to know why Henry was not offered the opportunity.

The Congressman immediately took the matter to the Secretary of War, and this brings us up to January, 1943:

"The Pressure" by mothers and widews on Cengressmen has caused "Pressure A-gain" on the Secretary of War, and most of you are familiar enough with Army routine to know what the term, "Through channels" means.

The present drive for insurance has come down through channels and will eventually, in my opinion, reach every man and weman in all the branches of our various forces.

To digress a moment, another reason for the present drive is the fact that if we don't have the insurance now, it is because we think that there is only a remote possibility that we will be shipped to foreign service anytime in the near future. I think that everyone will agree with me when I say that if John Brewn were to receive orders teday, ordering him to a port of embarkation, he would immediately apply for insurance or make plans to do so, provided he were not already insured. This has happened (cont. on next page, col. 1)

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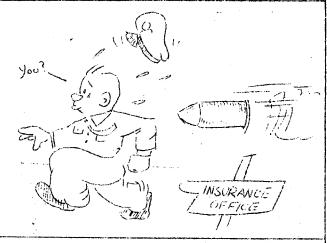
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on many occasions and has caused a bottleneck at the port of embarkation. The doctors are so busy giving immunization shots and attending to their other duties incident to the departure of troops, that there is really no time to give a number of physical examinations.

Again we face the fact that Johnny, before leaving, might write home that he tried to apply for insurance before he



left, but he was unable to have a doctor examine him. Once again the mether goes to the engressman and the Gengressman to the Sceretary of War. Why couldn't Johnny be examined if he wanted the insurence?

I do not believe that any man in this Arry can be forced to take \$10,000 of insurance, or for that matter any anount of insurance, but I do believe that within the next few menths every officer and man in the service will either have \$10,000 of insurance or will have written a letter to his commanding officer, which will eventually reach his scrvice record. This letter will state that he has been offered \$10,000 of National Service Life Insurance and will give the reasons why he has not desired to evail himself of it. I think that this is fair, since if, upon some future date, his videw or nother should write asking why he did not have insurance, the letter could be presented as evidence that he had been urged to take it. Lt. Colonel Sterrie has stated that he would like to see every efficer and man of his command have \$10,000 of National Service Life Insurance, but that if any man can show him that the purchase of this insurance will work a greater hardship on the man, than the lack of

insurance would work on the man's family in the event of his death, he, Lt. Colonel Sterrie, will be glad to give the case his individual consideration.



The above statement was prepared by Lt. F. H. Shuler, Insurance Officer of the ALFCC for EAGER BEAVER. It has the official approval of Colonel M. F. Davis, Commanding Officer of the SAACC, and of Lt. Celonel Walter Storrio, Commanding Officer of the AAFCC.

EAGER BEAVER presents it because the question of service insurance has stirred considerable discussion, much of it mere rumor-mill bunk, among enlisted men.

Read it through EM's--and you'll know the real answers.

GI'S PAY TAX (cont. from p. 1, col. 1)

collector for postponement and you'll still got socked within six nonths after leaving the Arry.

But, you do have advantages as a soldier for Uncle Sam. Taxes apply on your base pay-nothing's due on each food or travel allotments, pensions, annuities and the like. And you married guys can thank the little woman for a tatless \$28 menthly-that allotment from the U.S. metching your \$22 escapes the Treesury hounds completely.

Remember, too, as seldiers you can deduct \$250 (single) or \$300 (married). Read featnote two on 1040-A for instructions.

That Victory tax will blitz you, however. Fortunate are the Pvts. and married one-stripers. Everybody else, including guys everseas, must fork ever on March 15, 1944, the tax being due in a lump sum at that time, instead of the civvy arrangement of being deducted from wage or salary payments.

(The factual source of the above information is the Jan. 27, 1943 issue of YANK, the Army weekly. Get a copy and read the entire article—it's good stuff.)

# SQUDDRON PROP WASH

EM Squadrens all not present and all not accounted for ... Prop Wash has much drag this week...this last minute stuff being almost as confusing as nothing at all.

Strolling through the 855th one finds that Sgt. R. J. Williams has just recovered from two weeks of illness-the furlough type...S/Sgt. D. Blakeslee has a new addition to the family. On to Hq. & Hq., where acting 1st Sgt. E. C. Hunt has taken up where M/Sgt. George Harter left off...Sgt. Harter was relieved of his forner duties and assigned to Plans and Training Office in AAFCC Headquarters. And not a few Hq. non remained on the post for one of the few Saturday nights in their Army

careers...eredit the gig list. Cpl. T.J. White, former manager of theater # 4 has left the service for his ranch near Austin. A-furloughing next week will be Pvt. R. Smith, off for Rochester, N. Y.

News from the PRU is indeed "noving" this week. The entire personnel lent a hand in the big jeb of transferring to the new administration building, south of AAFCC post office. The task was done in record time and the activities of the Unit continued despite the slight interruption...add in passing: Pfc. Jorry Lieberthal, EB correspondent for Psych, knocking off for a three day pass last week.



687th brevities:...Cpl. Tealey in the hospital...Sgt. Spechmen departing on a convalescent furlough--accompanied by one broken arm...said bun wing acquired during the first two minutes of a basketball game...but the Sgt. played through the game nevertheless...Pvt. Albright narried...two weeks age, but whaddya expect from EAGER BEAVER?...Sgt. Reach and S/Sgt. Sofias also spending a quiet period in the hespital, with 887 wendering about its bowling team.

Eight-Eighty-Sixin' around: a double dose of 856 nowsettes to make up for the default last week. Sgt. Massengill left on a furlough, having married status in mind by the time he returns...six ether 856 men also GI vacationing--Rudd, McCarty, Sherman, Kleinlein, Hanna and Hemmer (all Sgts., by the vay)--Dan Cupid whangs away at 886, socking Pfc. Bernard F. Rogan this time...he walked the aisle with Miss Betsy Ross of Bronx, N.Y., yesterday...what a patriotic family they'll make...Sgt. Walter Grady took the best man role. Pvt. Lloyd Wilder of Washington, D.C. received the following wire last week: "Dear Daddy: Arrived Saturday, 6:30 a.m. Mother fine. Love. Remilda Anne." Some baby, "Pop."

Many NEW MEN have come into the EM squadrons during the last week...by now they should be well settled...by mext week, many of them may be stirred by Prep Wesh, EAGER BEAVER hopes...this is your paper, fellows.

Educationally-bound, 1st Sct. R. A. Adams, S/Sct. Larry Abrihams, Sct. John D. Tally, Cpls. Denarias, Harrison and Busby, Pvt. John Carter, all off to clerical and technical schools in Colorado and Illinois from the 28th Aviation Squadren (Sep). The new 1st Sgt. for the 28th comes from the 333rd Aviation Squadren (Sep)...hi, Sgt. Nelson Jones. The 28th advises that it expects to do things soon on the basketball court...they had quite a team at their ferner station. And the 28th gets on the GI insurance bandwagen, with all non being registered for same.

To the 886th, the Prop Wesh star of the week for getting its news in voluntarily-smack on time!

That Oklahena A & M notice went -A' on and off the bulletin boards faster than any other ever has...the thirst for knowledge these EM's have.











by Pvt. Morton Reisfeld

WHAT CHARACTERISTICS MAKE A GOOD SOLDIER?

Pvt. J.E. Van Hoosen, Hq.: "Interest in his job and ambition to get ahead. The ability to take all orders in a good spirit." Pvt. C.M. Lonpert, 385th: "The first thing a soldier must have is to know exactly WHY he is in the Army, and he must truly believe and have faith in the Allied cause. That will make him clear-minded, the first essential point in making him have that cooperative spirit." Sgt. G.J. Solomon, 886th: "Obey all orders whatever you may think. There is a reason with a specific point behind every order. The good soldier must accuston himself to Army life and routine in order to get along with his follow men." Sgt. B. Brognan, 385th: good soldier is one who shows military courtesy and discipline. He is always on the ball, and never off the beam. 11

Pvt. Ragsdale, 885th: "Alortness, good judgment and initiative at all times. He must always act in a becoming manner towards the uniform that he wears."

Pvt. T. Weir, Hq.: "He is willing to learn and to

adapt hiself to the ways of the army."

Pvt. T. Chagares, 888th: "The attitude and desire toward what is being done and the whole Army program is the thing that develops the characteristics of a good soldier." Pvt. C. E. Mason, 887th: "The willingness to help in any task in a cheerful spirit. Courtesy and discipline must be developed in every man."

1st Sgt. John A. Spitzer, 886th: "To be loyal to your country and yourself. Truthfulness to yourself and those about you; and pride and self-respect. Ambition and the willingness to learn. Cleanliness. Every man should give himself a complete check in the A.M. from yearing his dog tags to getting to work on time."

It. C. E. Johnston: "Many things make up the good soldier. The main one is his ability to take and carry out orders. He must be neat, well-ground, know how to wear his uniform correctly, and to present himself in a military manner."

#### FILM CIRCUIT

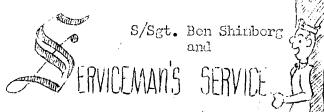
Marqueeing through San Antonio this week end ... at the Majestic for seven days starting Thursday, Feb. 11: "JOURNEY FOR MARGARET," a good human interest wer picture dramatizing the plight of childron in blitz warfare. Starring are Robert Young, Lorraine Day and Hargaret O'Brien...the Aztec is booked with "A NIGHT TO REMEMBER" with lead roles taken by Brian Ahorne and Loretta Young. will run for seven days starting Thursday, Feb. 11 ... "WHITE CIRGO" scorches the seroon at the Texas Theater for seven days from Feb. 11 (held over)...Hedy Tanarr and Walter Pidgeon rate the lights ...native (dusky Hedy) and civilized meet in this drama, with the mixture producing a moral, pleasantly and mildly told ... "IDAHO" begins at the Empire, Thursday, Fob. 11, storring Roy Regers...and Roy

Rogers appears in person on the stage... On a four day run at the same theater, starting Sunday, Feb., 14, will be Frank Buck's "JACARE," jungle picture..."CASA-BIANCA," recent popular hit at C.C. with Ingrid Borgman, Humphrey Bogart and Claude Rains in the lead reles, is the 12 p.n. show at Majestic and Texas, Fcb. 13.

#### NCO DANCE PLANS

Discussions were held by the 1st Sgts about the NCO's next dance at a necting late last week. It was suggested that the next dance would be hold in town instead of at the Cadet Service Club because of the post curfew. Not only NCO's but you, too, Pvt., can go. Before definite arrangements can be made, however, cortain things must be found out. Would YOU be interested in going to such an affair without those usual stags, and by invitation only? If so, contact your 1st Sct.

good soldier ca



Dropped in at the Salvation Army USO the other night to find out "what's cockin" and learned that there'll really be some vittles served there on Feb. 10th. Flo Heller, senier hostess, has arranged an ENCHILADA SUPPER for 6:30 and everyone is invited. Atmosphere will be provided by a group of Mexican singers who will screnade the soldiers while they oat.

Speaking of feed, FREE COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS are served at the Army Y USO at 9:30 Sunday nornings. The Salvation Army USO recently had a Sunday morning vafflo broakfasts which was a big hit. They intend to repeat the affair the first Sunday of every month.

Have any of you se-called "artists" tried your hand at FINGER PAINTING? We were emazed to see what fine pictures soldiers have nade by just using their ; fingers as brushes. There's an exhibit :: of the paintings at the Salvation USO: and naterials; are provided free for any. one the tanta to the his hand (sp finesp) at it. Looks as if it right be a lot or

The Salvation USO has, also, a swell DARK ROOM for mon who want to do their to cum developing and printing. See Mr. Saundors for details.

Both the Arry Y and the Salvation USO are locking for non with DRAMATIC ABILITIES. The Arry Y is producing a concdy called, "It's a Malitary Secret," and has an SOS cut for recruits. Salvation USO is planning dramatic progrens for Wednesday nights and has enlisted the cooperation of the local schools and colleges in helping to stage productions. Hen who are interested should get in touch with the directors at cather one of the clubs.

JOSE ITURBI--a dynamic plano virtuoso and orchestra conductor will be soldist with the Sen Antonio Symphony on Saturday, Fob. 13. Iturbi is well known for his outstanding performances in concert hall and on the air. He is well worth hearing. Tickets for service non are 50 conts, and may be purchased at the Auditorium box office, or at the Salvation USO dosk.

The Contract Action

### GI SERVICE CLUB MAKES HIT;

# DANCE SCHEDULED FRIDAY, FEB. 12

Lounging in soft chairs, listening to hot jive, gnawing on chunks of real "manry" style fried chicken, GI's found a bit of heaven in SAACC last week. And they gave it a rousing welcome in the take-off open house, Feb. 3 of EM's own Service Clv

Dancing, eating, group singing, pool playing--or just plain settin' in confort was the order of the day in the strictly GI territory known officially as Bldg. 629 Pre-Flight. Girls employed in SAACC offices acted as hostesses, serving refreshments and providing fominine atmosphere for a gala affair.

GI's are advised by Pvt. Dick Foote, featured singer on the Skyline Patrol and EM director of the Center under Lt. Harold Telman of SAACC Special Services, of a dance and show, Friday, Feb. 12. Music by Pre-Flight EM band and there's transportation for the gal friends from town.

Other plans include an EM Glee Club. for which the first rehearsal was held last week, and a tutoring group for non taking Arry Institute courses or intereste: in sere self-education : : : : : :

The GI Service Conten is open daily, 9,3.3. to 18 p.m., including sunday. Fyt. Pooto and Pyt. Dana Kostenbaun are the unlisted special services assistants, aiding in the club's supervision and operation. It's all free and GF, so take a pcop, jcop.

# K-DETTE GLUB VELCOMES EM'S

K-dottes, club of civilian girl workers of SAACC, puts a welcome on the doormat for visiting EM's who drop in at their headquarters at the Girls USO Clubhouse, 326 E. Crockett (one block cast of "Remember the Alame").

Organized to promote social activities for the girls, enlisted men and cadets, the K-dettes invite GI's to dance. play ping pong, do their reading or writing, or spend a "quiet hour" at the Club's center. On K+dette night (Thursday) or Open House day (Sunday) or any evening, volunteer hostesses serve coffee and sandwiches. 1.

All girls employed in SAACC may join the K-dettes. Notice of the next meeting will appear in the daily bulletin.

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Mrs. K. Rich Hq., AAFCC



## 881st TAKES LEAD: GUARDS DOWN MEDICS

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| 881st Sq.      | 1.1 | 0     |
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|                | 9   | : 2   |
| 888th Sq.      | 7   | 4     |
| 884th Sq.      | 7   | 4     |
| Guards         | ,7  | 4     |
| 887th Sq.      | 5   | 6     |
|                | -5  | 6     |
| Hq. Sq. (G.C.) | 5   | 6     |
| 886th Sq.      | 4   | .7    |
| 883rd Sq.      | 3   | $\Xi$ |
| Hq. Sq. (P-F)  | 2   | 9     |
| Psych # 1      | 2   | . 9   |
| Psych # 2      | 0   | 11    |

The 881st Sq. tean rules the roost at pres ent by wirtue of a forfoit gained over Psych # 2, and the very elegent play of the Guard Dot women't as they out. fought and out-scored

the hours in a very close game, 27-25. This marks the first time that the lead has not been hold jointly by the two. teams who have dominated play throughout the first part of the schedule. The Guard team deserves a let of credit, for it has core all the vay up the ledder to jump into a tie for third place in the standings, other games included a daugy between the 886th and 887th Squagens, with the 885th slipping one in for a wictory in the last few minutes, 25-22, Hq. (C.C.) smacked 863rd, 42-26; 868rd outlasted Farch # 1, 34-24; and 885th had a field might at the expense of 808th, 37-12. Hq. (FF) and Solst won by forfoit from Stath and Psych # 2, respectively. And fireworks are in the offing when the teams, aget stemight, for the game of the seas we will be played as 881st and Medics got together in the game that may decide the 1st half vinners. The Medics, by winning this one, can got back in the race-- mould 885 win, it will become a. morry mix-up. Other games include: 7882nd vs. Psych # 2, 883rd vs. Psych # 1, 884th vs. Hq. (0.0.), 885th vs. Hq. (P-F), 886th vs. 888th, 887th vs. Guards.

#### BOWLING

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|   | Teams |     |        |     | Points |  |
|---|-------|-----|--------|-----|--------|--|
|   |       |     | Center |     | 18     |  |
|   | 886th | Cl. | Center | Sq. | 15     |  |
|   | 887th | Cl. | Center | Sq. | 10     |  |
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|   |       |     | )      |     |        |  |

836th Squadron team stole a merch on 888th and gained a point as they took 4 straight from the 887th, while 885th salvaged I point team won after a hard outrof their sories. By their clean fight, 52-46... High man sweep, the 836th eased up the pres- for the EM team was Lt. sure 887th was giving, and jumped 5 Vaughn with 22 points, points to second place. Genshein was high man for 886th, and for the gadgets with 14 points. second consecutive week racked in a Considering the caliber 203 game. Siey was high for 888th, of the teams and the boasting a 200 game. Things should terrific scoring punch pep next week when 887 meets 888 and 886 faces 885 on the Kelly Field alleys. After a hard lesing streak, both 887 and 885 should be due, and can cause trouble for the Leaders. Remember, Tuesday might, Kelly Field.

#### SPORTS CHATTER ...by BILL MORGAN

Of interest to sports fans of C.C. is the game between the Kelly Field Enlisted Men's team and the SAACC Codot toam last Thursday night in which the Cadet while Goodycer led the of both teams, this was a pip of a gamo... A total of 98 points in a game is an offense in an man's loague...also up in the sports fight is the 886th squadron's

P.T. program, as they take the field each mprning after a brisk 20 minute calisthenics program, and put six teams of volleyball players and four teams of touch football at play...nakes it mighty interosting. ... CORRECTION DEPARTMENT: last wook this column listed Sgt. Lackowitz as a pro baseball pitcher...the statement was in error, and applications are in order (for the pitchers or the Sgt.?)...Sgt. Lackewitz was a fly chaser in the outer cardens... And attention on the basketball reso conters on the Pro-Flight field house temght as the 881st Sq. and the second place Medies tangle ... outcome of this gape should decide who issue of the first half charmi mahip, but should the Medics win their two remaining games, 881 will have to come through with a finel win to get a tio. What a series for the trophy those treiteans could stage, as both use the fast break sprinkled with a due amount of caution ... But who remembers ever hearing of a team known as the St. Louis Cardinals in the baseball world? Ouch... And Gemshein continues to dreg in a 200 game a week...nice pin knocking.

TO CURE THOSE OFFICE KINKS

Bend from the waist-keep those knees straight...ready, begin...hut-two-three-four...everybedy together...And so en, through knee bending, bedy twisting, Randolph shuffling, until after 15 or 20 minutes of that sort of muscle terture (calisthenics, some people call it), 90% of the GI's in AAFCC feel the effects of deskitis.

It's not a serious disease. "Enlisted men doing routine office work," Lt. E. W. Selomen pointed out to the EAGER BEAVER reporter, "get no exercise. A fellow becomes stale sitting at a desk all the time, and you know as well as I, when a man is stale, he'll get discontended, too."

To provent that acute condition of deskitis, and to keep GI's in good physical shape, Lt. Solonon, who is director of the AAFCC physical training program, prescribes some nuscle medicine.

That hour of P. T. many EM's have been taking daily is part of the remedial precedure. In the near future, according to Lt. Selemen, P. T. will follow a regular schedule. "Enlisted men will have three minutes of disciplinary exercise, 17 minutes of calisthemics and 40 minutes of games," the P. T. dector asserted.

"That treatment plus an occasional dose of cross country running and the recreational program underway in EM squadrens should cure a deskitis patient," Lt. Solomon believes (we know it will), "or prevent the development of that affliction."

To avoid conflict with the work of EM's, the P. T. division plans to take a poll through the squadron first sorgeants to find out from every GI what hour he could leave his work with the least interruption of his regular activities. From that information, a schedule of P. T. classes will be arranged.

Recreational treatment, Lt. Solemon observed, is not strictly in the P. T. department's field, but Classification Center P. T. consults with SAACC Special Services Office, the direct spensor of recreational set-ups such as the basket-ball league.

An Eli baseball tean for the post is

the next othletic development, and that field GI's used to cut across southwest of Eq. & Eq. Squadron area will seen shape up as home diamond for the SAACC tear.

"Other athletic activities are available to AAFCC enlisted men-if they want them," It. Solemon declared. He nentioned bexing as a possibility, and emphasized that men need not be experienced to come out for such teams. Pointing out that Sgt. Poust of SAACC, recent winner of the San Antonio district centest, had never bexed before, It. Solemon said, We'll furnish the instruction, if enlisted men want it."

#### NIGHT WORK

The sun is down,
The meen is up,
The lights in the barracks are out.
The men all sleep,
The guards walk post,
But for me there's work about.
Scrub the floor,
Wash the pots,
It's a job, believe you me.
Do I dream?
Wish I did.
I'n 4 a. n. K.P.

Pvt. Wm. Graber.

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#### PRIORITY PLEA

They can take away all of my coffee, Stop all the production of toys, Say "nix" to my longing for gas'line, I'll even agree to less noise.

I'll still like those OPA fixers
Who tell us what we eaght to do,
So long as they don't try to ration,
My passion for sweetness like you.

Pvt. Mort Lovin.

(EDITORS NOTE: Contributions to the DOGGEREL department are velcome. Just leave your creative off-spring at the door of EAGER BEAVER office, Bldg. 1713, Hq. & Hq. Squadron--it's a warm and a friendly shelter.)