

2 New Ways To Save Money

Soldier Deposits and Bond Deduction, Plans

The government offers soldiers two ways of saving money:

According to Yank, the latest plan is called the Soldiers Deposits. It is new to men who have entered the army since the Selective Service Act was enacted, but is well known to pre-war soldiers.

Plan No. 1 is by means of Bond deductions.

Under plan No. 2 the Soldiers' Deposits, a service man can deposit a minimum of five dollars with the Paymaster. Four per cent interest will be paid on deposits for six months or over. Money can only be withdrawn in an extreme emergency; otherwise it cannot be touched until six months after the duration.

In order to make an allotment for Soldiers' Deposit, application must be made to your commanding officer. From here, it goes through channels.

Under the Bond deduction plan, sixty days after the purchase of a bond, it is possible to cash it in, and no questions are asked. The bond deduction also makes it possible to have a co-owner. In case of death, the person living can collect without any red tape. Under the Soldiers' Deposit act, co-ownership is not permissible.

FROM TENT CITY

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By Pfc. John Monaweck

Have you ever heard of a Mobile Laundry Unit? If you haven't, now is the time to find out something about the History of one for there is such a unit located on E Avenue and 10th street south of fabulous "Tent City." This particular group was initiated at Vancouver, Washington, about the first of February. The Officers and Carde came from Camp Lee, Va., and Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. Most of the men that make up the personnel come from the states East of the Mississippi.

Many various trades are represented in this Company. These tradesmen include boiler men, steamfitters, clerks, laundry operators, and laborers must work together at all times before the unit can operate efficiently. If operated in such a manner, one unit can do the laundry of at least one division a week. Therefore, each man will have to "be on the ball" at all times in order to have a perfect laundry company.

The most modern equipment available is used on the units, which will be used with a Salvage Repair Bn., a Sterilization and Bath unit, or attached to a task force, in a theatre of operations. In a zone of interior, the Laundry Units are used as a Camp of Post laundry, or attached to a hospital or a division on maneuvers.

Captain William A. McKenney is the Company Commander and is assisted by five other officers who are liked by the men from his Company. These men are from all parts of the United States. Lt. John Moltz from San Antonio, Texas; Lt. William D. Stutsman from South Bend, Indiana; Lt. Ira Cohns from Chicago, Illinois; Lt. Millard from Eureka, Kansas, and Lt. Norris from New Orleans, La.

Eugene mothers of boys in the service have formed a group to find something to do for the soldiers that come into that city over the week ends. They cook meals for them for only fifty cents a dinner in the basement of the Baptist church, only a block east of the Eugene USO.

Wherever You Go—the Mail Will Go—



Here's a glimpse into the interior of the portable field Post Office set up of the Timber Wolf division, with Sgt. David Aaronson (standing) distributing mail and Cpl. Paul Manion billing registered letters. As designed, the entire setup can be dismantled and moved within 15 minutes and, as explained by Lt. James C. Presgraves, Div. Postal Officer, it means that where soldiers go, the mail will go, right up to the front lines.—Signal Corps Photo.

Portable Post Office Set Up, Demonstrated

System Explained by Timber Wolf Division Postal Officer

Wherever you go, soldiers, overseas, into battle—through hell or high water—the mail will go with you.

The way this will work was exemplified the other day

when a portable field post office, entirely collapsible, yet as complete as any city post office, was set up and demonstrated under direction of Lt. James C. Presgraves, Postal Officer of the Timber Wolf division.

The portable PO has many features designed by Lt. Presgraves and all of the field equipment was made by the postal section of the division — collapsible mail sack racks, folding tables, portable locator files.

There is, in fact, everything except letter carrier service.

The mail, said the lieutenant, will follow the army, right up to the front lines. Its importance has been realized by the War Department to the extent that it is placed in Class 1 supply, and rides right along with the ration supply lines.

How the field post office will work was exemplified in the demonstration, which proved that the entire field PO can be dismantled and moved in 15 minutes. The locator section is built in three units for purpose of mobility. But it is efficient, strictly; it contains a card for every man who is in the division or has ever been in it, together with forwarding addresses of men who have left.

Roughly speaking, the divisional mail distributing system works about as follows:

The APO comprises eight men and there are about 200 other unit mail clerks and alternates in the various units of a division.

Among surprising mail facts

Change? What Change?

The coke machine in Special Services Office, which at first paid off on a flat basis of 50 per cent, has been changed from the custody of Sgt. G. Steinmarder to the charge of Sgt. B. Axelrad.

Dance Saturday

First 40 soldiers to sign up with Has. Blodgett at Club 1 are invited to a sorority dance this Saturday evening at Monmouth College.

which we ought to know about but didn't are, viz:

That, contrary to popular opinion, soldiers send out more mail than they receive. In the Timber Wolf division, 2,500 more letters go out daily than are brought in, said Lt. Presgraves.

And, in the Army, there is no longer such a thing as a mail orderly—they are mail clerks.

Worried About Points? Afriyanks Have Plenty

North Africa (CNS)—"Devil needles," which are steel darts, are being dropped by Nazi fliers in this battle zone in the hope that they will strike men lying in foxholes. Up to now the enemies' aim has been very poor because heavy ack-ack fire won't let them come down close enough to get the range. Yanks salvage all the darts they can find and use them for entertainment. You guessed it. They play darts.

Nice, Nice Cobra!

Salt Lake City (CNS)—Meat rationing will cause little suffering for a pet of M. D. Naylor. Meat particles, instead of insects which are out of season, form its diet. It is a cobra plant and "chews" with its leaf traps.

The average soldier writes and receives three times as many letters as he did in civilian life.

See your Top Kick about War Bonds.

New Hours, 8 to 5, For Post Office

Clerk Shaw Warns About Lazy Wrapping

The Camp Adair Post Office announces new hours. It will be open from 8 to 5 daily with the exception of the last day of the month—pay day—and the first three days of the following month at which time the hours will be from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. This is designed to give service an opportunity to fulfill their obligations through the use of money orders.

Mr. Donald Shaw, department clerk, declares that soldiers are getting too lax in wrapping packages. He reports that the fancy pillow cases sent to mothers, sweethearts and sisters cannot be sent in original containers because the cardboard is too flimsy.

He emphasizes that it is necessary to put another wrapper around this box and tie it up with string—failure to do so might result in the loss of an article.

Mosquito Destroyers

By T/5 Joel L. Ford

The mosquito is deadlier than the tank!

At Bataan and Guadalcanal, in Tunisia, China, Burma—wherever the Allied Nations fight and have fought there lurk the mosquito and the tsetse fly and the rat. Malaria, bubonic plague, sleeping sickness, typhus fever, etc. — these must be conquered as well as the Japs and Nazis.

To this task, the Sanitary Company is dedicated. The mission of the Medical Department, of which we are part, is ours "To Conserve the Fighting Strength." Our efforts, our lives we pledge to the fulfillment of our mission. And let no one laugh when in this column we cal lourselves the Mosquito Destroyers.

For deadlier than the tank is the Mosquito!

T/4 James A. Dawson will receive a three day pass to Portland as his reward for submitting the best title for this new news column. . . . Another contest! . . . The Sani-

Course Makes Language Easy

Phonetic Mastery of Foreign Tongues Made Simple by 'Course on Wax' Now at Our Post

Lt. Walter Sindlinger, assistant special service officer announced this week that the United States Armed Forces Institute is making good progress at Camp Adair. He said that languages are now taught by means of phonograph recordings.

Lt. Sindlinger also reports that it is possible to obtain classes for any language in which there is an enrollment of fifteen service men. He declared that if this number sign up classes in the following languages will be started: French, Russian, German, Spanish, English, Chinese and Japanese.

Lt. Sindlinger further emphasized that the object of the "course on wax" is not to teach command of the language, but rather, to give the soldier an understanding and speaking knowledge—also to enable him to converse to a limited degree with the natives of the different countries.

Chance to Learn

Lt. Sindlinger declared that anyone interested in improving his education in mathematics, science, languages or a host of other objects, as before can sign up with either the librarians at Service Clubs 1 and 2 or the special service officers of the divisions or the post.

Although the institute changed its name from "Army Institute" to the United States Armed Forces Institute, the initial requirements are still the same. It is necessary to be in the army four months before enrolling in a course.

There are two choices—either to enroll with the Institute direct at a cost of two dollars per course, or to make application direct to some university which is working in cooperation with the government, in which case the government will pay half the tuition fee, and the soldier pays the other half.

"It is possible to get college credit for any course taken through the Institute," said Lt. Sindlinger.

He reports that the successful completion of a subject is entered on the service record of the soldier—a certificate of proficiency is given as well.

He's Willing

Irate Mother: "Young man, do you think you can stay here all night?"

Pfc.: "Well, I'll have to call the orderly room and tell my CQ."

—Camp Roberts, Calif.

tary Company is looking for a Company Crest . . . something which will convey the idea of the first paragraph in this column . . . This contest is open to everyone in camp . . . if the winner is not a member of this Company his reward will be guest of honor at dinner in the best mess (ours) in the Eastern and Western hemispheres. *****

A team may be down but if it has any guts it's never out . . . We lost our first official softball game of the season last Friday night to the MP Detachment . . . the score was 20-4 . . . no excuses . . . the MP's probably have the best softball team on the Post . . . We're resolved on one point . . . we're going to play the MP's again and the final score will not be 20-4 . . . All concerned agree that Captain Waite who umpired was "on the ball" . . . not one of his decisions was protested . . . well . . . hardly any . . . Watch our speed from here on . . . and we welcome all challenges.