

## Yep, Son! At's Me, By Cracky — Cap'n Benj. F. Church



"Wazzatchasay?"

"Me A Liar? Why!"

"Goes In Sweet"

Oldest 'Wolf; Has 83 Years Service, 27 Hash Marks

## Cap'n B. F. (Wotta Man) Church

By Pvt. Lionel Kay

The character seen in the three "candid" shots (above) is none other than the fabulous, world-famed Capt. Benjamin Franklin Church, veteran of four wars, who at the youngish age of 93 is just eating his heart out to get his fingernails into some Japanese skin and bones.

Church, formerly an enlisted man, is one of the "old Army" men now stationed at Camp Adair. He first enlisted during the "Incident" of 1860, when he was mustered into the service with the famous 41st Regiment of Indian Volunteers.

Grew Up All Right!

A descendant of Daniel Boone, he was stolen by Indians as a child and raised among the Spring Valley (Mo.) Indians, learning all the tribal customs and being inter-tribally acclaimed as the best medicine man since old Cure-The-Pain-In-Your-Elbow.

Captain Church is well-known for his many contributions to the unwritten history of the United States. Although it is not generally known, it was he who helped Lincoln with his notes for the Gettysburg Address. He is celebrated in literature for taking the message

to Garcia, and it was he who gave General Grant some of his hottest tips on the war.

Cap'n Said "Damn!"

He was the sole survivor of Custer's last stand, and when Admiral Farragut said, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!" it was this same Benjamin Franklin Church who called the engineer and gave the order for full speed ahead.

Although best known as a historian and authority on the events of the nineteenth century, Church will at times discuss contemporary affairs with his barracks mates. (Incidentally, he can be found almost any night in Bks. X-14-62.95).

He will talk at length about President Roosevelt, both pro and con, the fifth term, and such non-political affairs as the Church problem.

Church is the chief-de-aide of the 'Wolf division, but for a slight remuneration, will proffer the benefits of his experience to other units in camp.

His biggest complaint in life is his sister, Fanny, who also keeps house for him in the shanty behind the Salvage Warehouse. She is

nothing but an old fuss-budget he says, and is always threatening to turn him over to the MPs when he comes home with the beatific odor of Bay Rum upon his breath.

Although Church has been exposed by Major Nicholas DeDakis as the greatest liar of all time (next to Prince Mike), he refuses to ever admit that anything he says deviates as much as one iota from the gospel truth.

So That's Who!

If the Oregon mist is still hanging overhead and the fog hasn't cleared, Capt. Benjamin Franklin Church, boon companion of "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Tom Mix, Superman, and other great western plainmen, is none other than T 5 Donald A. Chapman of the Special Services Office of the Timber Wolf division.

Chapman, only 21, has had seven years of radio experience in Hollywood over the Mutual-Don Lee System. He first introduced his act as prevaricator deluxe there and ever since has been a great success. His first performance for the Adairmen will be at the ball game against the Ft. Lewis Warriors in Albany, in Central Park.

## New Claims Officer Lawyer, Arms Expert

### Major Monahan Rifle And Pistol Marksman

Major Stephen D. Monahan became the new post claims officer this week, replacing Lt. Bernard Schwartz who was ordered to Ft. Douglas. The major was selected for the post because of his rare combination of being an ordnance officer and also an experienced lawyer.

Major Monahan was commissioned in the Reserve Corps in 1926 as a captain. The commission was a result of his study of small arms, a field in which he specialized during the first World war.

The major was a member of a crack small arms team that toured South America and has held service rifle and pistol championships in several states.

He was called to active duty in May, 1942, and before coming to Camp Adair was serving in the rents and claims section of the Judge Advocate General's Department at Fort Douglas.

### IF YOU WANT SECTION 8 JUST KEEP READING THIS

In Hdq. Sec., 1580th Service Unit at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, if you want a painter, call Pvt. James F. Carpenter. If you want a carpenter, call Pfc. Frank W. Painter.

## Maj., 24, Downs Planes Of Every Axis Air Fleet

When Major John G. Bright of the Army Air Force knocked down a German DO-217 for his tenth aerial victory, he hit a new kind of jack-pot.

The 24-year old officer has now shot down at least one plane out of each of the three Axis air fleets.

Previous record of the well-traveled fighter pilot included eight Zeros and one Italian fighter plane.

Major Bright started his record with the Flying Tigers under General Chennault, shooting down five Zeros in Burma. When the famous AVG broke up, he transferred to the American Air Force in China where he shot down the rest of the Jap planes to his credit.

Following a period as instructor of fighter tactics in Australia and New Guinea, the Major entered combat in the North African theatre as CO of a P-38 Lightning fighter squadron.

## No Backseat Driver

Brookley Field, Ala. (CNS) — When Lt. C. W. Geldbaugh landed his Army dive bomber here the other day after a routine flight from St. Louis, he was flabbergasted to find no one occupying the rear gunner's seat in the plane. Cpl. Lester Kennison had been sitting there when the bomber left St. Louis.

Cpl. Kennison, it developed, had fallen out of the plane during a bank 8,000 feet over Waynesboro, Miss., and then had parachuted to safety. He was unhurt save for scratches.

## WELL, WELL DEPT.

When a big plane from Washington landed at the Albuquerque air field it carried the Asst. Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics.... a Rear Admiral on his way to an important meeting in California.

When the plane pulled out a little later it didn't carry the Rear Admiral... it carried a sergeant. The sergeant was a ferry pilot who had suddenly got his shipping orders. The field authorities decided his business was more urgent... so out went the Admiral and in went the sergeant.

"That's O.K. with me," the Admiral said. "A non-commissioned officer couldn't kick an admiral off a plane in Germany... but this is a democracy."

The mountain goat is not a goat, but an antelope.

## Formal Presentation Guard Co. Dayroom

### Dallas Club Women Attend Ceremonies

Monday afternoon ladies of the Dallas Senior and Junior Women's Clubs came to Camp Adair for the formal presentation of the Post Guard Company dayroom, which they had furnished and equipped.

The entire guard stood at attention as Mrs. H. D. Peterson, chairman of the furnishing committee, presented a memorial plaque to Lt. J. P. Loffredo, commanding officer of the Guard Company.

Col. Gordon H. McCoy, post commander, attended the ceremony and expressed his appreciation to the ladies present for the work they had done.

Following the day room dedication the visiting ladies were invited to see the formal retreat parade in honor of M/Sgt. Proctor, and following that they were the guests of Col. and Mrs. McCoy at dinner.

INSPIRATION: An Airman's Letter to His Mother — A letter was found among the possessions of a young RAF pilot who was killed in action. It was addressed to the pilot's mother, but his commander, reading it first, was so impressed by his statement of faith in the cause he had died for that he obtained permission from the boy's mother to have it published.

## SWAPS COLUMN

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## PROVOST MARSHAL OFFICE

at 1st St. North and D Avenue, is in effect the only Lost and Found Department on the Post. If you've lost or found any item, call on S/Sgt. E. R. Bender at that office.

Sgt. A. C. Addaway advises that there are two used portable typewriters for sale at the Typewriter Shop. One is a Corona, like new, and the other a Royal, fairly new. The Sgt. may be reached by telephoning 2885. The shop is on I Avenue between 1st Street north and 1st Street south.

WANTED: Convertible Coupe ('38 or later). Cash. Call Maxine Demoss, 2964, 12 to 12:45 or Corvallis 439, 6 to 7:30 P. M.

## Dayroom Dedication



MEMBERS OF THE Senior and Junior Womens' Club of Dallas stand before the "V" cake they baked and brought for the formal opening and dedication of the Post Guard Company dayroom. Left to right: Mrs. H. A. Peterson, past president of the Dallas Senior Womens' Club; Lt. J. P. Loffredo, prison officer; Mrs. H. D. Peterson, chairman of the furnishing committee; Mrs. Ivan Warne, president; Col. Gordon H. McCoy, post commander; Mrs. Charles Greenwood, chairman of the camp and hospital committee of the Red Cross of Polk County.—Public Relations Photo.

## New Claims Officer Welcomed



MAJOR STEPHEN D. MONAHAN, the new post claims officer, is welcomed to Camp Adair by Capt. John S. O'Shea, the Post Judge Advocate. Major Monahan holds his commission in the ordnance branch of the Army, and in addition was a lawyer in civilian life. Because of these particular abilities, he was named to his new office.—Public Relations Photo.