

Theodore the Wolf



Attu Yet in 274th Tells of Jap Camouflage Ruses

In every sense the Attu victory gave Intelligence some of its most valuable information about the Jap enemy. Interviews of wounded men who saw action in that battle prompted the Infantry Journal to devote a feature in its recent issue to "The Wounded Speak."

Describing the statements in that article as totally correct, S/Sgt. William Carrott, Co. L, 274th Infantry, believed that he could add a bit of information which might some day save the lives of men who are now in training here. Carrott, a veteran of the Attu engagement, was Platoon Guide for an advance party on the first landing at the island. Thirteen of his men were wiped out on the first day while he was injured by shrapnel on the third and removed to a hospital.

The use of field expedients was described by Carrott as one of the cleverest of Jap ruses to slow and confuse our troops. Not weapons but weather and camouflage were the principal devices observed by his scouts. In the maps made from the original aerial reconnaissance, installations were noted which were later found to be dummy ruses. Amounting to nothing more than the top layer of earth turned over, the device slowed our men in several sectors.

Social Activity Booming in 274th

Social activities in the 274th Inf. seemed to have taken a spurt during the past few days, with several regimental functions given for EM. Company parties are still holding sway. Medics of the 274th gathered in the mess hall of Reg. Hq. Co. Tuesday evening for a stag party. It was the first event of that nature for the detachment and proved so highly successful that another is planned at an early date.

On Saturday night Service Co. will stage its long-anticipated party at the 274th Rec. Hall, with more than 40 members of the Junior Hostess League of Corvallis. Music for dancing will be supplied by the 274th Dance Band and a buffet supper will be served late in the evening.

Alarm Shortage Continues

Washington (CNS) — The nation's great shortage of alarm clocks will continue another year, the WPB has ruled. Production of the clocks for 1944 has been limited to about 3,300,000, the same as last year.

New Babies Make 346th Papas Proud

The 346th F.A. Bn. is sprouting out with offsprings. Within the last few weeks the battalion has come forth with four proud papas, who are proud papas because of the four new offsprings and the extra 20 bucks due them.

Congratulations are in order for 1st/Sgt. William M. Dickson of Btry. B, to whom glad tidings came that he was a father. Now this was not shocking news to the sergeant, as he already has two to his credit, and being the very aggressive person he is, declares profoundly that he has not reached his quota, as yet. Patricia Ann is her name.

Lt. John R. Sheetz, Serv. Btry., spent one day last week doing little less than passing out cigars in a desperate effort to escape from the nervous strain under which he has been living. This was all taking place less than 10 minutes after he received word that he too was a papa, of young Donald John, born February 9.

In Btry. C, Pvt. Joseph M. Green's wife had a baby, Cheryl Darlene, on January 18.

And not to be forgotten in this list of blessed events is Pvt. Lewis F. Lovka, Btry. A, who was relieved of his worries on January 15, when news came that Dorothy Ann was born and that he had joined the ranks of proud papas.

Zonta Club Visits With Co. F, 275th

Comp. F, 275th, entertained members of the Zonta club of Eugene, Ore., Saturday night in reciprocity for their donating the beautiful furniture that adorns the day-room. The party was held at the regimental recreation hall and followed a dinner at the company mess hall.

Under the auspices of the Special Service Office a dance and show were given for the visitors, led by their president, Mrs. Huntington. Lt. Causey, company commander, also gave out 11 passes to men whose names were drawn from a hat.

AND GOOD GROUNDS, TOO!

Los Angeles (CNS)—Mrs. Jessie Koontz won a divorce after testifying in court that her husband had threatened to chop off her head when she put the wrong kind of milk in his gravy.

WHAT'S ON TONIGHT?

All GIs can discover just when their favorite brand of entertainment is coming to Club 1 these days, by strolling by the Club and looking at the new weekly schedule which has been hung there.

The sign is part of the general over-haul the Club received. At night it's visible for blocks—almost—with a spotlight illuminating the sign. Special features of the weekly programs will be listed there.

Look for it.

5,000,000 Receiving Family Aid from ODB

The War Department's ever-busy Office of Dependency Benefits now has five million accounts on its books, paying family allowances and Class E allotments of pay to more than ten million dependents of men and women in the Army.

This agency, an activity of the Army Service Forces, now has mailed almost 54,000,000 checks totaling over \$3,000,000,000 to soldiers' families. One ODB statistician, paraphrasing Dorothy Barker, has estimated that if ODB disbursements, represented by dollar bills, were laid end to end, they would wind around the world 12 times.

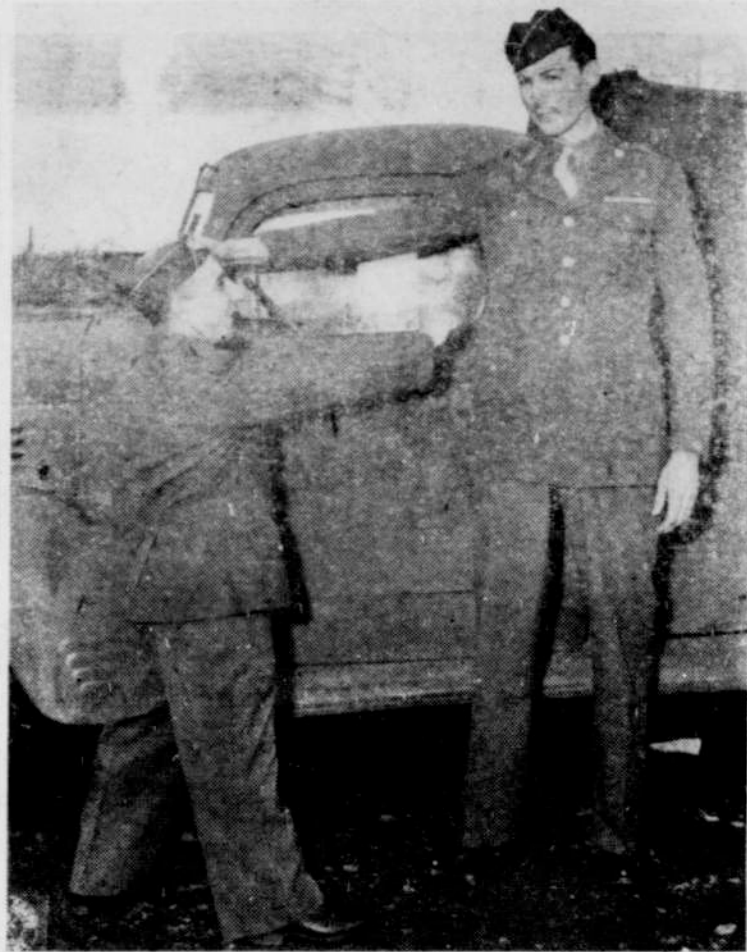
Of the five million accounts now being paid, approximately three million are family allowances, paid directly to wives, children and other dependent relatives of enlisted men and women, the ODB has disclosed. Nearly half the money paid out in family allowances is deducted from the soldiers' pay, with the remainder contributed by the government. The two million Class E allotments are paid entirely by soldier funds.

During a single day in January, the ODB mailed 4,601,580 checks to ten million dependents in the U. S. and in 41 countries abroad where payments were permitted by Treasury Department regulations. This mailing list filled 47 large mail trucks.

The ODB's huge business is conducted by radio, cable and mail to and from all parts of the world. Messages from dependents have been received in 37 languages, including Arabian, and the translation group in the ODB Communications branch has handled more than 4,200 items in a single month. Altogether, it's the largest operation of its kind on earth.

From life's book of tears and laughter I've gained this bit of lore: I'd rather have a morning after, Than never have a night before.

The Long and Short of It



Signal Corps Photo PRESENTING THE LONG and short of the Post motor pool along with a challenge to any other unit to produce a like combination. Towering to a full 6 feet, 7 1/4 inches, Tec5 Howard G. Force is a recent addition, who, not so long ago, saw action with a field artillery unit attached to the 41st Division on the Salamosa front in New Guinea. As ammunition corporal of a 75 mm. pack howitzer crew, he had once been on the line for 21 consecutive days. A native of Portland and formerly a member of the Oregon National Guard, he saw 18 months of service overseas before being returned to be hospitalized for a knee injury. The lesser member of the team is Cpl. Elmer F. Daly who can rise to his full 4 feet, 10 inches, with very little effort. Hailing from Schenectady, N. Y., and the son of a father who stood 6 feet, 4 inches, Cpl. Daly has been in the motor pool for the past 10 months.

Red Cross Donates Garments to 276th

Almost every soldier in the 276th is sporting a new garment, thanks to the American Red Cross.

Total figures reveal that 2300 sweaters were distributed throughout the regiment; 2100 woolen helmets were given out; and 300 mufflers were presented to EM personnel.

The knit wear was issued through the regimental special service office.

105 Good Conduct Awards for 346th

One hundred and five men of Hq. Btry., 346th F.A. Bn. received Good Conduct Medals at a special retreat held last week. Lt. Lemuel E. Walters, battery commander, presented the medals to the men who qualified.

Housewarming for New Dayroom



Trailblazer Photo THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, the combined efforts of the Eugene Zonta Club, the American Red Cross and Lt. Charles Causey and labor of Co. F, 275th Inf., resulted in a brand new dayroom there. Mrs. Fred Mariette checks the list of furniture the club purchased, and Mrs. Marguerite Davis supervises Pvt. Thomas Fascanella, Herman Friedman and George Simone.

PROMOTIONS

- To Technical Sergeant: 276th Inf.: John L. Tosney. To Staff Sergeant: 274th Inf.: Maron M. Meyer, Howard W. Schachtel. 276th Inf.: Roy C. Bailey, Melvin E. Nikolas. To Technician Third Grade: 276th Inf.: Elbert C. Griffin, Howard Schwartz, Lewis Lam, Tibor Szabo. To Sergeant: SCU: Michael Negron, Martin K. High, Donald R. Yearsley. 274th Inf.: Richard S. Mewens, Wesley D. Whalen. 276th Inf.: Verlin P. Kirkham, Robert L. Wood, Warren G. Bailey, Henry B. Wiley, Jack L. Lebrecht, Harry B. Macerary, Gordon J. Bowar, Elvin D. Glenn, Wilbur G. Rose, William G. Bales, James R. Kwitczak, Jake J. James, Milton Rubin, Leroy E. Stuart, Marvin A. Evans, Henry S. Thomas, Charles H. Ruby, John E. Rosenbaum, Edward F. McMahon, John A. Walsh, Floyd P. Fife, Arnold C. Haberichter, Robert M. Galvin, Elston G. Bradford, Ralph T. Stockman, Willard J. Hassinger, William M. Verburg, Thomas E. Brown, Elmer C. Smith, Arthur E. Farnsworth Jr., Albert L. Riedl, C. L. Presley, Donald B. Thomas, David B. Covert, James R. Roddell, Heinz P. Musch, William C. Stevensen, John W. Mendel, John P. Bartley Jr., Frank W. Corley, John J. Michalik, Raymond B. Minchow, Aubrey W. Sullivan, Garmon DeGauld, Dominic J. Coccia, Francis E. Jene, Frank J. McBride, Robert J. Gintiner, Raymond E. Rosenbaum, Edward F. McMahon, John A. Kowal Jr., Gayle S. Pulver, Leon D. CBHdress, James Giamo, Paul H. Hoke, Charles D. Rice, John G. Matisak, John H. Mannion, Stephen Karaim, Willis W. Black, Harold R. Robinson, Richard C. Seibert, Gordon F. Taylor. To Technician Fourth Grade: SCU: Harold F. Duffy, Irvin L. Caplan. 276th Inf.: Zoltan Caser, Henry Naftulin, Howard E. Aldrich, Carl T. Bellist, Charles E. Bourland Jr., Joseph J. Milano, Paul Sindel, Giza S. Penzner, George E. Wilson, Irving Perlik, Cheney S. Prouty, Witek L. Van Huss, Alfred A. Jungles. To Corporal: SCU: Nicholas G. Scvlas, Willie B. A. Barrett, Daniel L. Lane. 276th Inf.: Carl G. Johnson, Nicholas J. Lauletta, James H. Sutterlee, William H. Wright, Roy A. Ott, John O. Hayden Jr., John P. McCally, Raymond Malchow, Willis W. Whitman, Lawrence L. Hopkins, James E. Strauch, John P. Weber, Johnson G. Wade Jr., John H. Bartee, Lomar E. Strevault, John R. Evans. To Technician Fifth Grade: SCU: Harry E. Bora, James L. Rodney, Kenneth L. Black, Richard M. Moorman, Louis Strauch, Edmund T. Raper, Jeff Fank. 276th Inf.: Wendell M. Mason, Duranoe R. Jordan, Douglas T. McCull, Edward D. Swenzer, Norman B. Maurer, Robert J. Rosser, Elmer C. Voder Jr., George L. Adams, Joe J. Barreza, Leo W. Schmid, Henry H. Smith, Lester M. Walcott, Robert B. Davison, Renzie M. Hamilton, Willard O. Wilson, Thomas J. Famos Jr., Harry E. Gordy, Billy A. Golden, Forrest C. Schuman, Walter L. Trathton, Clayton W. Crawford, John E. Mattison, Thomas H. Smith Jr., Lester S. Hecht Jr., Chester J. Hill, Marvin L. Beebe, William A. Morris, Charles L. Russell, Leslie E. Dallas, Frank B. MacGibbon, George A. Flajole, Russell A. Richardson, Earl B. Bigalow, Mlle L. Gollakson.