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## Strong Music Gives Strength; Powerful War-time Morale Factor

Tonight's Battle of the Bands at Field House, which bids to be quite a "shindig" in itself, essentially goes deeper than that. It is a partial tribute to the import which music has had in things military since time immemorial.

Military bands have long been and will always be—not only in times of peace but during preparation for war—morale builders of the first water. They give a lift and an impetus and build into a soldier a feeling of esprit de corps and a pride of strength which no other thing can provide in quite the same manner.

A dance band, of course, is not a military band. In most cases on the Post, our dance bands are really component parts of our military bands. Of these, and we may say it with pride, there are few better.

Military bands of the world are of many kinds. Perhaps the oldest are the wild, skirling bagpipe bands of the Scotch Highlanders, whose music has admittedly been the most warlike and bloodstirring of all. The military bands as we know them are a development from Europe in the Middle Ages.

The first effort at combining bands in a festival was as a Berlin fete in 1938 given for the emperor of Russia. Sixteen infantry and 16 cavalry bands, consisting of 1000 wind instruments and 200 side drummers, participated.

The oldest American organization is the Marine band. Most famous of our American bands have undoubtedly been those of Gilmore and of John Philip Sousa, who has written far and away the bulk of all of our currently-favorite military pieces. The fact that Capt. Glen Miller recently said "Any modern dance band director could improve on Sousa's arrangements" may or may not be accurate, but it does not detract from the glory redounding to "The March King," who died in 1932.

Sousa's numbers were stirring and vivid, and I would say greatly inspired the building of military bands in the Armed Services to the importance they now hold.

## Where WAS He Important? A War Is Not Won by a 'Paper' Army

You know the goof we're talking about. Joe Blabbermouth, self-proclaimed "big-shot" in civilian life but strictly small potatoes in the Army. He'll tell his story whenever he can find a couple of GIs who seem to be likely prospects. He'll tell you how much he contributed to the war effort BEFORE he was drafted and became a part of the Army. He'll tell you of the high and mighty importance of his civilian job and of how much better off the country might have been if only they had let him alone.

Perhaps if he tells the story often enough he'll believe it himself. When this guy says he is worth more to the war effort back in a ship yard or in a factory instead of in uniform, he is just talking through his helmet liner.

You can't win a war with an Army that exists on paper only! Sure, the job you were doing in the factory was essential—but that doesn't necessarily mean that the one holding down the job was essential. He was essential to the job only as long as there was no one to replace him—and no longer!

Now for the men with more legitimate gripes. The guy with a special civilian skill which he thinks has been completely overlooked in the Army.

Remember that occupational dictionaries list approximately 8,000 different civilian occupations while the Army has only about 800 different jobs to fill.

As an example—in the Army only one lawyer is needed for roughly every 10,000 soldiers.

All of us should remember that we are in the Army because a gang of cut-throats under Hitler is trying to destroy everything that we cherish and believed in.

Whatever your assignment—remember, it is part of the job most of us can do and is little more than a minor role. Our job is to play it well.—B. H.

## It's A Great Life . . . . . By T-5 Lynch Notes From a Soldier's Sketch Book



"How do you spell romantic?"

## XCHANGE CERPTS

### ME TOO

Doctor (to shapely blonde patient): "What did I tell you about wearing such tight dresses? Why if I were your husband, you wouldn't have that on a second!"

All eyes on the elevator were turned on the fat woman who had uttered a shriek of agony.

Turning, she glared over her shoulder at a small boy.

"I did it," he said defiantly. "I stuck in my face and I bit it."

The wife and daughter of a Lt. Berry were halted by a sentry on duty who had orders to allow no one to enter by his gate.

"Sorry," he said, "but you'll have to go around by the main gate."

"Oh, but we're the Berrys."

"Lady, I don't care if you're the cat's meow! You can't go through this gate."

Hostess: "I won't offer you a cocktail, captain, since you were once head of a Temperance League."

Captain: "No, I was once president of the Anti-Vice League."

Hostess: "Oh! I knew there was something I shouldn't offer."

Clerk: "Shopping bags?"

Gals: "No, just looking."

"How old did the young lad with me look to you?"

"About 38 on a 45 frame."

Whiskey kills more people than bullets but that's because bullets don't drink.

Joe: "Boy, oh boy! That was some blond with you last night. Where did you get her?"

Doaks: "Dunno. I just opened my billfold and there she was."

The growing scarcity of men is making a lot of girls good and lonely.

Insubordination: A Cpl. in the SCU put \$50,000 into War Bonds before the 1st Sgt. could get a crap game organized.

Sgt: "Ouch, I'm getting a doubled up with a stomach ache."

Mess Sgt: "Here, drink this coffee, and it'll straighten you out."

## SONG OF THE INFANTRY

(Sing it to "The Man Who Broke The Bank at Monte Carlo")  
"Here's mud in your eye!"  
Is the toast we sigh  
In the muddy Infan-tree,  
In the bloody Infan-tree,  
In the rugged Infan-tree,  
We're the guys who take the prize  
In every bat-tle!

"Let's Go!" is the yell  
As we give 'em hell  
In the shooting Infan-tree,  
In the marching Infan-tree,  
In the fighting Infan-tree!  
We're the men who have to win  
In every bat-tle!

Hut! (pause) Hut (pause)  
Hut, two, three, four!  
March! (pause) March (pause)  
March . . . and march again some  
more!

And then when it's done  
And the war we've won  
And we've earned the vic-to-ree,  
We'll just sit back and see  
If they praise the Infan-tree!  
We're the ones who seldom get  
To share the glo-ree!

—Tec5 Bernie Smith  
Serv. Co.  
352nd Inf. (abn.)

## FACTS ABOUT ALLOTMENTS

(This is the second article in a series designed to answer some of the most frequently asked questions in regard to "allotments.")

Virtually all classes of dependents benefited from the Dependency Allowance Act as it became law last November 1.

While the allowance for a wife remained unchanged, the \$50 she receives is irrespective of any allowances due to other dependents. Under the original law a wife frequently received less than \$50 because there were other Class A dependents, among whom the enlisted man's contribution had to be apportioned.

Allowances for dependent children came in for their share of the increase. \$30 is provided for the first child and \$20 more for each additional child. Thus, a wife with 1 child receives \$80; a wife with 2 children \$100; a wife with 3 children \$120.

In cases where there are children but no wife, the law provides that the first child shall receive \$42 with \$20 more for each additional child.

The maximum allowed a divorced wife is \$42 and this can be granted only if there exists in her favor an alimony decree giving her \$42

## ANSWER BOX

Q. As a civilian I held several life insurance policies on which I find it difficult to pay premiums in the Army. Will the Government protect my civilian insurance while I'm in the service.

A. The Government may protect up to \$10,000 worth of your life insurance policies with certain qualifications provided that you took them out at least 30 days before you entered the service. Get in touch with your CO. He'll give you the details.

Q. Is a soldier required to salute capture enemy officers?

A. Yes, the Prisoner of War Section of the Provost-Marshal General's office says that he is, and the Prisoner of War Convention rules signed in Geneva in 1929 require that officers who are prisoners of war shall be treated "with the regard due their rank and age."

or more a month. This amount is granted to the divorced wife irrespective of whether or not there are other Class A dependents.

With respect to a divorced wife in cases where there are children, the Dependency Allowance Law provides \$30 for the first child and \$20 more for each additional child.

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## The World This Week

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offering to exchange ambassadors with the Italian regime which marked the first diplomatic recognition of the Italian government by one of the United Nations . . . Finland is said to be considering Russia's latest armistice note containing concessions, one that Finland need only isolate German troops in her country instead of interning them . . . The Irish Free State is under increasing pressure with a British travel embargo virtually isolating Erin, following the refusal to expel Axis diplomats . . .

In the greatest Allied aerial assault in history, the Allies dropped 2500 tons of bombs on the strategic and now ruined fortress town of Cassino in Italy. A new all-out drive on Rome is now underway. Other bombers attacked Florence, Naples and the suburbs of the eternal city.

Soviet forces are smashing German lines along the 535-mile front in the southern Ukraine, destroying or capturing the bulk of German armor in the central sector. The Red army smashed through the re-treating Germans to the middle of the Bug river, 50 miles from Rumania. At the southern end of the battle line, the Ukrainian army is setting the stage for a drive on the Black sea port of Nikolaev.

Americans on Los Negros in the Admiralties continue to strengthen their positions—warships and supply vessels moving into Sessler harbor without interference. American bomber planes wiped-out Ponape, Japan's third important base in the Caroline Islands. On New Britain, American marines captured Talasea and pushed south of the town sided by American air attack—all in preparation for an ultimate drive on Rabaul.