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C-54th, C-58th On Top Spots in Softball League

Abbot's softball tournament breezed into hot and heavy going this week with four games in the American League and six in the National League. C-54 batted out a win over C-55, 11 to 10, to make it four victories in a row which hoisted 'em to the top National spot.

In the American League C-58 crawled up to the elevated seat by slugging in 4 runs while A-58 stood around and watched, getting none.

In other American League contests, Service Co. beat C-57, 13 to 5. A-56 swamped C-56, 9 to 0, while the Medics took C-56 for the same figure.

National League games saw A-54 win from MPs, 13 to 7. Supply Co. lost to A-54 by the skin of their proverbial teeth, 9 to 10. B-55 taught their neighbors, A-55 a lesson with a score of 23 to 14. B-54 got one tally which they nursed while C-54 was getting 21. C-54 got an easy win over A-54 with a score of 12 to 2.

Here are the standings:

American League		
Team	Won	Lost
C-58	2	0
B-57	1	0
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Service Co.	1	0
A-56	1	0
A-57	1	1
C-57	1	1
Medics	1	1
A-58	1	1
B-56	0	2
C-56	0	4
National League		
C-54	4	0
B-55	3	0
A-54	3	1
Supply Co.	2	1
B-54	2	2
C-55	1	2
Officers	0	1
A-55	0	2
MP Co.	0	3

Rec Hall Ramblings

The guys on B-55 softball team deserve genuine praise for good sportsmanship. When the A-55 team didn't show up until after the deadline set for the game, rather than see 'em miss the boat, the B-55 gang gave them a chance to win. That kind of stuff pays off, obviously, as B-55 won 23 to 14.

A real pat on the back to Cpl. Bilyeu of C-58! Stepping out of bed Tuesday after being in the hospital, the corporal pitched the first no-hitter of the current softball season in a tilt between C-58 and A-58. Score: 4 to 0. Bilyeu, it will be recalled by basketball fans, was high-score man of the A-56 hoop champs.

Pvt. Meredith, B-57, 135 lb wrestler, has a yen for a grunt and groan go. An excellent added attraction to one of Camp Abbot's popular boxing shows eh what?

Companies needing 14-ounce gloves for GI sluggers can secure them by contacting Sgt. Leo Fritz at the Rec hall. Limit: one set to a company.

Measles Halt Abbot WAC Tour of Service Command

A case of measles last week temporarily halted the tour of Cpl. Mildred Robichaux of the Special Service Branch, who recently joined a contingent of WACs accompanying an Army Service Forces exhibit through the Fourth Service Command. According to word received here, Corporal Robichaux is confined in the Kennedy General Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

57th Boxers Lay Claim to Record

The 57th Battalion set some sort of record when members of the unit appeared in a series of preliminary bouts on the Post's spring boxing tournament card at the recreation hall recently, battalion officials point out.

A few hours after Lt. Philip Kulbes, athletic officer, announced in battalion mess halls he was seeking boxers to participate in Post boxing programs, four trainees approached him and announced they'd like to fight "tonight, if possible."

A series of bouts was arranged for the regular Friday night program later in the week, and fighters from the 57th, without benefit of training, appeared in six of the nine preliminary bouts on the card.

This start has given us the right to claim the title, "The Fighting 57th," Lieutenant Kulbes said: "Beginning next week the men are going to report for training and conditioning, and we're going to keep that title. No one can better us at it."

Sad Sacks, Wood Choppers Still Lead Alley Loop

The Sad Sacks came through with three straight wins over the Neophytes Wednesday night to lengthen their lead in the Post spring bowling league. In other contests, Headquarters Hotshots won three games over the Medics, the Wildcats defeated the Strikers in three games and the Quartermasters won two from Wahee Courts. Captain Wilson, Wahee Courts, took the evening's high game honors with a 234.

Standings:

Team	Points
Sad Sacks	20
Wahee Courts	15
Wildcats	15
Strikers	12
Medics	10
Headquarters Hotshots	10
Neophytes	7
Quartermasters	7

In Tuesday night contests the Wood Choppers took two out of three from Personnel to maintain their lead in the Tuesday night league, while the Pin Splitters won two over Palmers Pups and the Screw Balls defeated the S-Balls in two contests. Cox, Quartermaster regular, scored a 203 for high game while temporarily filling in on the Personnel team.

Standings:

Team	Points
Wood Choppers	14
Pin Splitters	11
Personnel	9
Screw Balls	8
S-Balls	4
Palmers Pups	2

Officer Goes East to Study

Lt. Jesse N. Bailey, Post Orientation Officer, left Thursday for Lexington, Va., where he will attend an orientation educational course given by the army at Washington-Lee University, it has been announced.

Immediately upon completion of the special course, which will extend from May 24 to June 21, Lt. Bailey will return to this station.



"WOT CHA MEAN—PUT MY NICKEL IN NOW!"

'Khaki Kapers' All-WAC Show

A unique edition of the Khaki Kapers show was presented at the Service Club Thursday night when an all-WAC performance made its appearance in observance of the second anniversary of the Woman's Army Corps.

Emceed by Sgt. Buddy Hyde, and moving at a snappy pace, the show included several songs by Pvt. Emma Hudak, and a tap routine by Sgt. Ruth Smith. Sgt. Christine Conder floated softly into "I'll Get By," and a WAC trio comprised of Cpl. Bernice Stephens, Pfc. Anna McCloud and Pfc. Lois Bonkoski, delivered a ditty entitled, "Sergeant and the Wacky."

The highlight of the evening was reached with a fashion show in which 20 articles of WAC uniform were displayed.

WACs from the motor pool sang the Motor Corps song. There was also a military drill by WAC members of that branch.

Sgt. Agho Tiemann's orchestra provided the music.

Boxing Show to Continue Friday

The second stage of the post spring boxing tournament will materialize next Friday night at 7 bells, when teams from 55th and 56th battalions launch into preliminary bouts at the Rec hall, Sgt. Leo Frizzo, athletic coach, said today.

Fighters in all weight classes have been whipping themselves into shape for the coming slug-fests for several days, Sgt. Frizzo declared, and according to a sneak preview reported by grapevine agents, the going should prove well worth observing.

Contributing Cartoonist Is Muralist for Mess Hall

This week's cartoon showing a bewildered GI using a 'phone in the field was contributed by Pvt. Anton Heisler Jr., former San Antonio, Tex., architect. In addition to doing a little on-the-side cartooning, Private Heisler is finding time to do murals in pastels for the company's mess hall. Another of his hobbies is building flying model airplanes powered by small gasoline motors.

WAC Ball Team Being Organized

Camp Abbot WACs are in the process of organizing a softball team, according to a statement by Lt. H. L. Hansen, Athletic Officer. The girls have been working out for the past week, in the modest expectation of taking a game or so away from practically anybody.

"What is needed now," said Lt. Hansen, "is a team made up from the girls in Civilian Personnel." A recent ASF memorandum urges all athletic equipment be made available to civilian personnel. "We have been doing that all the time," he said, "and we are not only willing, but anxious to furnish softball equipment to civilians."

Plans for such a team, however, are obscure at the moment. It is hoped they will materialize soon enough to provide a team of civilian girls early in the season.

House Passes, Returns GI Bill

Following several days of debate, the house passed the "GI bill of rights" by a roll-call vote of 367 to 0 last Thursday after striking out an amendment that would have prohibited unions from requiring veterans to hold a union card to work in a "closed shop."

The maximum government guaranteed loan to veterans was raised by the house from \$1500 to \$2500, but the period of unemployment compensation coverage was not increased from 26 to 52 weeks, as was generally expected. The house rejected amendments to reduce loan interest rates from 6 to 4 per cent. Rejected also was the amendment to ban payment of unemployment benefits to veterans who engage in strikes.

The bill has now been returned to the senate with a score of amendments, the house committee having virtually re-written the measure, and conferences are expected to be necessary to compromise differences between the two branches.

Knoxville, Tenn. (CNS)—Charged with riding a mule drunk, Ralph Lomax explained to the court that he wasn't really intoxicated. "I was merely suffering from indigestion," he said.

Sing and Train, Slogan for GIs

In connection with the desire expressed by Col. Frank S. Beson, commanding officer, that Camp Abbot become what has been described as a "singing command," Lt. Helen Martin of the Special Services branch was interviewed this week to ascertain what is on hand in the way of singing "materiel."

According to Lieutenant Martin, each battalion is equipped with the Army Song Book, and each trainee coming to the post is handed a word edition of it. The collection consists mainly of old favorites.

Another source of song supply is the monthly edition of the Hit Kit, which includes current numbers adjudged by a committee to be the most popular of the moment. One copy of the score is delivered to each battalion, the Service Club and other possessors of pianos, accompanied by 50 copies of the lyrics. Special Services is trying to have the number of word editions increased.

What with the tunes carried into camp in the vicinity of every trainee's larynx, it is expected that our days "shall be filled with music."

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The Wolf

by Sansone



"Well—whaddya expect for two-bits?"