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NEWS FROM YOUR SQUADRON

796th TECH SCHOOL SQUAD

By PFC J. E. Rooney

The boys of the 796th T. S.S. are really burning up the basketball league. With a record of five wins and no losses, that is really battling 1000. The team is ably captained by Pvt. O'Grady who starred at Georgetown University before Army life. The team has been welded in to a smooth functioning machine by Pvt. Wayne Martin, and is an opponent to be respected. Our other point getters are Kearns, Rutherford, Anderson, Pomdecke, Bautch, Dalton, and Esposito. A large attendance would help fellows, so let's really swell the walls at the Arena and watch our boys mop up the league... Keep up the good work, fellows, the squadron is proud of its team.

The squadron dance held by the 796th at the Service Club was a howling success. The dance was attended by really flowers of the south. They created many an OH and AH among our rug cutters. The refreshments were very welcome and good. We wish to thank Joe Garrazone for his excellent work in handling all details.

In keeping with other squadrons pertaining to mascots, the 796th goes them two better. Instead of one, we now have three. They are three puppies and are rapidly being spoiled by every EM in the squadron. They are living the Life of Riley in our supply, and can be seen at anytime between 0800 and 1700.

797th TECH SCHOOL SQUAD

By Pvt. Bernard M. Weiner
Item of the week is the marriage of Cpl. Arville R. Cole, Engines Instructor, to Miss Mary Parker of Goldsboro, February 1. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride and attended by close friends of the couple.....Captain T. D. Jordan was pleased to learn that among its many other accomplishments, the 797th also holds the lead for contributors to the daily Mechanic's World....Cpl. Robert Andrews has been transferred from duty as Sick Book clerk to Air Corps Technical Orders clerk at Sqdrn. Hdg. T-616. Students can check

Technical Orders with him for detailed information on Branch study matters ...Best of luck wishes are extended to Lt. Charles R. Wyckoff, Jr., and Lt. Oscar E. Honig upon joining the 797th.....Pvt. Sidney F. Tritsch swears that he marched half way across France and Belgium in the last war in order to get a boat back to the U. S. when Armistice was declared. He now spends most of his time being glad that he's in the Air Force and can fly home this time. Tritsch was in the 27th In-

fantry Division....And a special gracias to Sgt. John Macik, mail clerk, for arranging a barracks delivery system of our commiques from the home front.

799th TECH SCHOOL SQUAD

By Cpl. Don Sutherland

The squadron made a fond farewell last week to one of its oldest permanent party men, both in years and in service on the field when Pvt. Murray Crane was honorably discharged...The one-man barnyard, Johnny Payne, who recently transferred to this post from Craig Field, Ala., brought down the house at the Service Club a few nights back when he appeared on Freddy Wolf's variety show. Nostalgic farm boys were noted weeping into their cokes as Johnny ran the gamut of "oinks" and "clucks".....Several instructors, including T/Sgt. Dave Shirey, S/Sgt. Willis Robinson and Cpl. Johnny Petruccioli, have been flying regularly at Rocky Mount and have been keeping logs of their time. Top sergeant Martin Birch accompanied them on a trip there last week, and avows that the jaunt up there in Robbins ME-109 (product of Ford circa 1930) was much more fun than the actual flight.



794th Tech. Sch. Squadron

By Sgt. Bill Spencer

That snappy red, white and blue building off to the side of the Orderly room is our new bulletin board and its sure a "Yankee Doodle Dandy." YASS SHH!!!!

Our basketball team is doing a fine job keeping up the reputation of the squadron. The entire organization is behind Cpl. Fergusch who's having his troubles figuring the lineup. But he hasn't a thing to worry about. Cause the champion's laurels is practically in our bag.

The 793rd's warnings to WACCI is hereby treated with the laughter it justly deserved. If their cat ever sets foot into our squadron area, we don't care to guarantee its safety from WACCI's playfulness.

WACCI is hep to hepate, so let your conscience be your guide, men of the 793rd. Furthermore, we intend to investigate your cat-rations at the mess hall, and if the morning report does not carry her, well expose the nefarious situation.

The squadron is forming a dance band. Cpl. Dun and his Ricky Eicky Ticks. Any member of our outfit is invited to join.

35th Tech. School Squadron

By Cpl. Robert W. Mathanson

Our team lost to the 796th Tech. School Squadron, by a score of 32-31, but won a thriller at the last few seconds of play against the 797rd, when S/Sgt. William Margis shot a basket making the final score 27-25. Cpl. Warren Miller is captain of the team.

We wish S/Sgt. Wa. J. HARRY a quick recovery. Hqs. 240 welcome a new bugler, Pvt. Calvin Westerville who can play anything from taps to reveille. He's a watch-clock, says Barracks Chief Cpl. Mario Falciant. Sgt. John Antsoak is Squadron casual man. He does his work very casually, but possesses a quick wit and is really air-minded. PFC Effingham Flint entered a blackout when he passed out in the gas chamber. PFC Joe King has quite an eye-cue at the pool table in the day room.

FLASH! In general the inspection was very good last week. A few barracks chiefs have been having quite a few G-I parties lately. Volunteers who wish to participate may submit their names to the orderly room immediately.



801st TECH SCHOOL SQUAD

By Sgt. Bob Mabley

Well, I did it! In making out that list of old-timers last week, I left out Dave Mengel and James Morgan. (How in heck could I have forgotten the time I helped Morgan carry his bunk half way across the state of North Carolina - or was it from the 100 to the 300 block?)

Roger Barklow, our esteemed sergeant major, is definitely on the beam these days and we think we know the reason. Julia's all over her recent illness.

You can't say the boys aren't "knocking themselves out" taking calisthenics. PFC Kritsberg and Pvt. Ognisanti are both nursing bruised arms, and every day or two somebody else develops a black eye or a limp. We'll all be commandos yet.

Our nominee for all-time champion non-stop talker on politics, international economics, the war situation, food - and the New York Giants - is PFC Jack Dunn. If you like informal lectures come to 1219, we get 'em every night!

Beginning next week, this column will be taken over by Red O'Hara and it couldn't go into better hands. O'Hara is a born columnist - nosy as hell, with the nerve of three banty roosters! On top of that he is a swell guy. Co-operate with him fellows. O'Hara should really be taking over this week, but he wanted to give me a chance to bow out. He has an outline of this week's activities in 801, for which he should get credit.

795rd TECH SCHOOL SQUAD

By Cpl. R. B. Corrigan

We all wish Captain Smith, who has been in the hospital for the last few days, a very speedy and complete recovery...The orchid that was teased to the "Worthy Man of the Week" was caught by newly-made T/Sgt Donald Kulekamp. Sgt. Kulekamp, by the way, is the fellow that is leading the squadron basketball team to (we all hope) the field championship. Who knows, this squadron might have a "White Hope Contender" in its midst. The other night, Pvt. Thomas Webb, a big, handsome heavyweight, went up to Greensboro to compete in the Golden Gloves Tournament and landed in the finals. He was beaten by a rugged paratrooper from Fort Bragg...If any G.I. on the field has never had the pleasure to taste real honest-to-goodness Italian spaghetti he had better get in touch with PFC Fred Coppola. What a spread he put on for the boys in Hqs. 319. All the fellow claim the only thing missing was a bottle of red Italian wine... The students who are a little short on info regarding their actions as soldiers should have a chat with Flight Commander, Pvt. Paul Regan. He was in World War I, holding the grade of W/Sgt. and seeing plenty of overseas duty...The officer who makes the daily barracks inspection hopes that the cognomen given to Hqs. 337 isn't lived up to - the boys have used coke bottle tops to form the words, "THE SLIMS"....Sgt. Dick Ryan, after hearing the "sad" tales of men trying to get furloughs thought that he'd work this one; his love, back up in Lowell, Mass., wrote of her dog's illness and claimed the canine missed him a great deal.... What a laugh that one drew!!!



1ST CLASS A DAY ROOM OPENED

By Sgt. Bill Spencer

The first Class A day room, at Seymour Johnson Field, that of the 794th Tech. Sch. Sq. was officially opened Sunday, Feb. 7, when Gen. Walter J. Reed cut the red, white and blue ribbons.

It is the only day room on the post where enlisted men are required to wear Class A uniforms.

Declaring in his short address his happiness at being able to look at the streamlined day room, Gen. Reed stated he was pleased as punch with the new furniture.

Lt. Col. Hurt, and Major Kane also spoke. Master of Ceremonies was Lt. Melrood, who in witty fashion, introduced the speakers, and the entertainers who followed.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

Moral: Keep Your Brass Warm

