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People in glass houses should not throw stones - so said a sage. He had something there.

We hear an great deal of discussion about the repugnancy of absenteeism among civilian workers in war industries - and rightly so - for any one who does not want to do his utmost in Uncle Sam's struggle to obtain freedom deserves to be scorned by every red-blooded American.

It's pretty easy for we olive-dressed individuals to rear back on our hind legs and roar that those dirty so and sos should be given a year of straight KP for not keeping up their end of this war business.

But on the other hand not all civilian war workers are slackers - millions of them never miss a minute from their work - and we wonder if they don't have a gripe coming too - couldn't they protest that absenteeism in the Army is just plain Goldbricking?

Couldn't they protest that they are working day and night, giving up pleasures, welcoming rationing so that you can take your place among the best fed, best clothed and best trained soldiers in the world?

You who are wearing the uniform of your country who lie awake nights thinking up ways to escape detail work, who think it is smart to get out of work or who are just plain lazy, belong in the same class with war workers who refuse to man their jobs. If anyone thinks that this war can be won merely by men putting on uniforms - they are really off the beam. Winning this war is going to demand hard work and fighting by every American regardless of where he is. There's not going to be much time to stand around and criticize the other fellow if we are all in there pitching.

The next time you start registering disgust at the seemingly shiftless way some civilians regard their war work - just remember, if you are doing your full quota of work - you've every reason to gripe to high heavens. But you Goldbrickers - you are also guilty of letting Uncle Sam down - people in glass houses should not throw stones.

G.I. Tid-bits

by PFC. A.V. LASKY

The Army Quartermaster Corps announced recently it has purchased 750,000 pairs of dice for the use

of the boys. The Army does not encourage gambling, but aims to supply those little things that keep morale high, it was pointed out... The War Department is also being urged by women leaders to have female doctors commissioned as officers in this man's Army... H.I. Phillips, author of "Private Purkey" is at work on "All-Out Arlene," a tale of a Brooklyn girl who joined the NAACS, her sister who joined the Marines, and the boys she met while going all-out for her country..... Training at leaving a ship in a hurry is being given soldiers at the Quartermaster Replacement Center, Wyoming, 1000 miles from the ocean and in the middle of a desert. Rope ladders are strung down the side of a building, while platforms that pitch and rock simulate movements of a landing barge... The largest land plane now in production, the Lockheed Constellation, which is also the world's fastest transport, can fly faster than the Japanese Zero.... The use of the rum ration's crapping in the British Navy, where only 40 percent of the sailors take it as against nearly 100 percent way back in 1850... Over at Keesler Field, in one week the following men turned up for duty: Joe E. Brown, Wm Taylor, Charlie Chaplin, Charlie McCarthy, Robert Taylor, William Powell, and a half dozen Charles Bov-ers—all A.M. students, and not movie actors... The history of the Army Air Forces will be written as it is made. Under the direction of AAF's Historical division, there is being compiled a record of AAF achievements biographies, and chronology... They change the hurler every day at Fort George Wright, Washington... A directive from Army Information Service

permits service men to continue efforts at writing professionally if it's done on the soldier's own time and if it's cleared through the public relations office... Lts. Burgess Meredith, Gilbert Roland, and Eric Rhodes, actors all, have graduated from the Army Air Forces Intelligence school, and are now awaiting future assignments... V... V... V... V



WHY JACK ISN'T DULL

War has taken most of the young men away from their homes. They have been deprived many rights that men enjoy during peace time. Every right taken away from men in our army is not really taken away, but literally borrowed. Rights that have been taken have been done reluctantly, but the American way is to give them back when victory and peace are restored.

Despite the fact that most of the things that John Jones did, or that Tom Smith had, were borrowed for awhile, the one thing that cannot and will not be taken away is the fun, thrill and enjoyment of competitive sports.

Hundreds of men realize this very important factor which makes our army one of the happiest and healthiest of all armies. The Sports



By
CHAPLAIN J. D. QUICK

Looking in on the workshop of one of his friends, the village blacksmith, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow received the inspiration for one of his great poems, "The Village Blacksmith."

In the work of this humble man the poet found a great lesson, the essence of which he gives in the last verse.

"Thanks, Thanks, to thee, my worthy friend,
For the lesson thou hast taught
Thus at the flaming forge of life
Our fortunes must be wrought;
Thus on its sounding anvil shaped
Each burning deed and thought."

The anvil is ringing today as never before with the sound of the forging of the destiny of the world.

We are forging the pattern of our own lives. How often they need to be thrust into the flaming forge of Communion and the fellowship with God, that they may not break under the terrific strain of the anvil upon which they are wrought.

The fact that we are busy forging the life of a world does not mean we should neglect the bellows of spiritual communion with God, but is all the more reason why we should turn often to that bellows that the coals of Christ love shall be fanned into glowing embers by the presence and power of His Holy Spirit.

Arena at Seymour Johnson Field is loaded with fellows who enjoy the tour of a basketball floor, who indulge in boxing, weightlifting, and a number of other games.

It is not all countries that will permit soldiers to spend their spare time playing and competing against each other, it is not all countries that permit basketball tournaments like the recent one held here. But the United States permits and promotes competition, simply because it helps to keep the men happy, healthy and witty, and secondly because it is the real American way of doing things.

Just recently a nation-wide boxing program has been started by the Army. Champions from various fields will travel from camp to camp and perhaps from state to state, seeking laurels in their respective sport.

According to an article written in Berlin, the Americans are allowed too much extra-curricular activity, but the Nazi who wrote that article is all "wet". Every red-blooded American knows that Sports in our country is not extra-curricular, but part of our everyday life.

Even men in the fighting zones find a little time to relax from war by playing games. Pilots usually pitch horse-shoes before taking off on a dangerous mission. Learning to play games, learning to think, is what is making our Army, Navy and Marines the most coordinated fighting force in the world.

The Russian people doubtless now are giving Ambassador Standley good measure - a million thanks for thousands of tanks.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

PROTESTANT

Chapel 3, Ninth at C and D streets.
Sunday
0800 - Holy Communion - Chap. Green
0900 - General Service - Chap. Green
1030 - General Service - Chap. Green
1400 - General Service - Chap. Olson
1930 - General Service - Chap. Quick
Wednesday
0800 - Holy Communion - Chap. Green
Thursday
1330 - Holy Communion - Chap. Green

Chapel 2, B and Fifth Streets

Sunday
0900 - General Service - Chap. Davis
1030 - General Service - Chap. Olson
1400 - General Service - Chap. Olson
1930 - General Service - Chap. Davis
Wednesday
1930 - Midweek Service - Chap. Davis

JEWISH

Chapel 4, Ninth and G. streets

Sunday
1030-Sabbath Services-Chap. Goldberg
Friday
1930-Sabbath Services-Chap. Goldberg
Saturday
0930-Sabbath Services-Chap. Goldberg
1030-Sabbath Services-Chap. Goldberg
1530-Sabbath Services-Chap. Goldberg
Daily Mon. through Fri. 1000 - 1930

CATHOLIC

Chapel 1, E and Fifth Streets

Sunday
0700 - Masses - Father Gorham
0900 - Masses - Father Kennedy
1100 - Masses - Chaplain Tainter
1330 - Masses - Chaplain Tainter
Daily services - 0730.

COLORED PROTESTANT

Chapel 4, Ninth and G streets

Sunday
0900 - General Services - Clergyman

HOSPITAL SERVICES

Red Cross Auditorium

Sunday
0900 - Protestant - Chaplain Olson
0900 - Jewish (Annex)-Chap. Goldberg

LUTHERAN SERVICES

Chapel No. 1 - Catholic

Wed Nite sermon and devotions 7:30

Chaplain Tainter

Chapel No. 3 - Protestant

Wed Devotions - 7:30 Chap Green



\$\$\$ PAY DAY \$\$\$

You wake up in the morning,
Eyes and heart aglow,
After a shave and shine up,
To pay-call you go.

A smart salute and out-stretched paw
And you collect your due.
But before you've reached the door,
You've parted with a few.

When you reach the out-side,
You feel that you are free,
But creditors swarm upon you
And leave you only three.

You shoot them in a crap game,
So sure that you will pass;
But snake-eyes stare you in the face,
You feel you've breathed your last.

A 'fiver' to see through the month,
Is borrowed from a friend.
Oh Well, only thirty days to go
And you'll be rich again.

By
'One who knows'