

# AIR-O-MECH

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## Editor's Uneasy Chair

Air-O-Mech has just received a complaint. It was verbal so we can't print it. The complaint came from enlisted men and was this: "there ain't no life in the old rag."

Air-O-Mech takes such complaints very seriously, after all it's your newspaper and if you don't like it, what the heck, something should be done, and done quickly.

We of the staff know only too well some of the misgivings of the paper. We try to be decent, in fact we have to be, it's the policy of this command and district that such things as these cake never appears in a good army newspaper.

We know there are lots of things that you have perhaps heard via the grapevine system that we aren't allowed to touch. There would be very little sense in preaching, "zip your lip," and conducting don't talk campaigns if your camp newspaper were allowed to print information that would in any way aid the enemy.

The Air-O-Mech is just as much a part of the Army as you are and is governed according to Army Regulations. The policy of a camp newspaper on many large issues is dictated, not by the Air-O-Mech staff but by war department policy.

We aren't apologizing or making excuses, to those who aren't satisfied with their camp newspaper, we're just giving you the lay of the land.

The staff is firmly convinced that there can be "some life in the old rag" without the use of cheese cake or without discussing military secrets. The staff thinks that if every G. I. would really consider the Air-O-Mech his own newspaper and make occasional contributions, the content of the paper would improve considerably.—DD

## Whatcha Know, Joe

The man who gained international prominence nine years ago when he attended the Dionne Quintuplets at birth, Doctor Allan Deane, died last week at the age of 60. . . . Movie actor Leslie Howard is missing as reported that the plane in which he was traveling was shot down half way between Lisbon and England. He was traveling as a passenger. . . . No doctoral urging will be necessary to put life into Guin (Big Boy) Williams' portrayal of a Jap-bating navy chief gunner's mate in "Mine Sweeper." His 22 year-old flyer nephew, Lt. Byron Andrews, has just been killed in action in the South Pacific. Another nephew was captured in the Philippines. . . . Sophie Tucker's opening at the Florentine Gardens got a c r u s h reading. . . . Howard Hughes' "Outlaw" has been criticized by Hays Office as being too sexy. . . . But after cutting various spots and doing them over, the picture is ready to be released in Key West. . . . The Kysers' tour to Wilmington was to christen a new ship which has a theme song, "Thinking of You" written on the side. . . . When, Minnie Auer's Great Dane went commande on him and killed 25 of his chickens, he turned him right over to the army. . . . Carole Landis is practically set for another over-the-top literary success. . . . New five-cent stamps will be released on June 22nd, bearing reproduction of colors of the Polish flag, and other countries overrun by the Axis. . . . The stamps will be dedicated for that purpose. . . . Major William (Navy Bill) Ingram, former Annapolis and University of California football coach, died from heart attack last week.

punched the pillow of the hospital bed he has not left in 12 weeks and admitted yesterday that he's been a "g-g-g-ood boy" but that it will be some time before he returns to the camera of the mile. . . . Violinists are said to make good aviators because of their rhythm. Just so they don't fiddle around on the air. . . . Marine Dietrich and her daughter have filed applications to go overseas to entertain soldiers. . . . Hollywood girls have gone parading right down their "under-pretties." Among the pretty damocles, including leading ladies Alice Faye, Lynn Bari and June Havoc, who worked in the new musical "Hello Frisco, Hello" are wearing Victory rubberies. . . . Three publishers want Talulah Bankhead to do her life story. That would make spicy reading. . . . Howard Hughes' "Outlaw" has been criticized by Hays Office as being too sexy. . . . But after cutting various spots and doing them over, the picture is ready to be released in Key West. . . . The Kysers' tour to Wilmington was to christen a new ship which has a theme song, "Thinking of You" written on the side. . . . When, Minnie Auer's Great Dane went commande on him and killed 25 of his chickens, he turned him right over to the army. . . . Carole Landis is practically set for another over-the-top literary success. . . . New five-cent stamps will be released on June 22nd, bearing reproduction of colors of the Polish flag, and other countries overrun by the Axis. . . . The stamps will be dedicated for that purpose. . . . Major William (Navy Bill) Ingram, former Annapolis and University of California football coach, died from heart attack last week.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek a Duke and Duchess of Windsor were among those stopped and questioned by OPA inspectors in Key West Memorial Day week-end drive against violators of pleasure driveway. . . . What with the liquor shortage college courses may have been canceled but very little Scotch is for the Italian people, they are foolish to think that they are playing a winning hand, when all Lou Costello took a puff on a cigar, that they hold in a hole is a Duke.

## JOIN THE N.C.O. CLUB! . . . . . by DENES



## G. I.s Beware Of Allotment Wives!

The New York Sunday News said in a story this week that soldiers and sailors should beware of "an allotment wife," the modern version of the traditional "camp follower," and who marries one, two, three, or four soldiers or sailors for their monthly allotments.

The paper said the new racket victimizes unsuspecting servicemen and their governments here and in Canada is attributed by Prof. Ernest Burgess and Mrs. Evelyn Duvall, Chicago sociologists to "hasty wartime marriages which encourage anti-social conditions."

The racket, the News continued, came into the open in Canada when Irene Hornby, a pretty and extremely bold allotment wife, was convicted recently on four charges of bigamy. She had five husbands at one time — the last three of whom were soldiers.

"You apparently committed these crimes to profit from soldiers' allowances," said the Canadian judge sentencing her to four years in the penitentiary.

The would-be allotment bride moves to a center near some large military camp or embarkation point. Then she marries a soldier on furlough or a sailor about to embark.

## The Chaplain

Some signs that we are really growing up as we get older:

1. A realization that we owe more to our country than our country owes to us.
2. When we decide that "Give me, give me" are not the most important words in the English language. This may apply to furloughs as well as candy.
3. When we learn to read the editorial page and the daily news with enthusiasm that we read the funnies.
4. A capacity to listen to a good sermon with some of the eagerness that we listen to local gossip or to the trial of a small town bandit.
5. When we learn that it is more important what we do with life than what life does with us.
6. When we learn that doing our job well is more important than a direct phone connection to the old home town.
7. When we claim the idea that we are only spiritually so long as we are not worse than somebody else we know.
8. When the Ten Commandments have as much influence upon our lives as the movies.
9. When we learn to turn to God in humanity instead of waiting until we have to turn to the chaplain in anxiety. — Chaplain Davis.



## Hatched One Year Ago

First Anniversary Issue—June 25, 1943  
Yank Offers Birthday Issue  
NEW YORK (ONS) — A special issue of YANK, The Army Weekly, will be on sale June 18 to mark the end of the first year of publication. It will have eight extra pages with extra Sad Sacks, pin-up girls and so on. Get yours — then subscribe.

And Can He Squawk!  
SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex. (ONS) — Opl. and Mrs. E. E. Duck, of this Post, have a baby son. His name—Donald Duck.

Every Navy in the world has its favorite drink. The American Navy likes whiskey, the British like rum, and the Italian Navy sticks to port.

## Services

### PROTESTANT SERVICES

Chapel No. 3  
Liturgical Holy Communion . . . 0600  
General Service . . . . . 0600  
General Service . . . . . 1030  
General Service . . . . . 1400  
General Service . . . . . 1830

### Midweek Services

Liturgical Holy Communion Wed. . . . . 0600  
Liturgical Holy Communion Thurs. . . . . 1830  
(Chaplains Green and Quick)

### Chapel No. 2 (Chaplain Davis, Olaus)

General Service . . . . . 0600  
General Service . . . . . 1030  
General Service . . . . . 1400  
General Service . . . . . 1830  
Midweek Services Wednesday . . . . . 1830

### CATHOLIC SERVICES

#### Chapel No. 1

Masses . . . . . 0730  
Masses . . . . . 0600  
Masses . . . . . 1000  
Masses . . . . . 1100  
Masses . . . . . 1315  
Daily Mass . . . . . 0730 and 1830  
Chaplains McGuire and Tainter)

### JEWISH SERVICES

#### Chapel No. 2

Sabbath Services Friday . . . 0730  
Chapel No. 4  
Sabbath Services Sat. 0630 & 1030  
Sabbath Services Sat. . . . . 1330  
Sabbath Services Sat. . . . . 1830  
Daily Mon.-Fri. . . . . 0900 & 1930  
(Chaplain Goldberg)

### HOSPITAL SERVICES

Red Cross Ambulance  
Protestant . . . . . 0600  
Jewish (Annex) . . . . . 0600  
Catholic . . . . . 1000  
Attend Church

For six days, a GI is usually well preoccupied. On the seventh day he usually rests, looks around for something to do. If services are available, why not go to church? Remember, the Chaplain is your friend in time of need—why not show your respect by attending his services?

Signature Required to Desk WAAC  
Air Base, Salt Lake City (ONS)  
—To visit a WAAC dayroom a dogtag first must have an invitation from a gal soldier, then must stand inspection by the area guard.

When a GI takes a WAAC out of the Base he must sign her out and when he brings her back he must sign her in again like athletic equipment.

Ray McKinley, billed as "America's Dramatic Drummer" who played with Jimmy Dorsey, Goodman, Miller, et al. and finally had his own orchestra, is now stationed in Atlantic City and is playing in one of Capt. Glenn Miller's units.