

Want to Live? Here's How!

This column will be sponsored weekly by the Post Camouflage Officer, Captain Vassada J. Meyl, Corps of Engineers. The information will include Personal Concealment, Camouflage Discipline, Dispersal, Deception, Concealment of materials, equipment, etc. by natural and artificial methods, Deception, use of artificial and natural materials and many camouflage principles valuable to every soldier for the preservation of himself and his equipment. Since this column will be read by the front line soldiers in the world, it is recommended that each and every man take the contents seriously and make a scrap book of clippings, which can be utilized as a camouflage text book for future reference.

Camouflage is work done to provide protective concealment for troops, materiel, and military works from all enemy observation.

A soldier is taught to shoot, camouflage teaches him how not to be shot. His job is to stay alive to fight. He must be trained early and constantly in individual camouflage — one of the ways to stay alive. Whether he calls it camouflage or something else, to each

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AVOID OUTSTANDING landmarks such as lone trees, rocks or fence corners when seeking and military points are easily picked up as targets. A way to stay alive, to live to shoot and kill, is to too late to learn under fire. There will be no chance for the soldier to protect himself by his own mistakes. The result of a mistake in war is too final for that. The practice of camouflage and strict adherence to camouflage principles must become instinctive. It must be as much a part of each soldier's daily life as sleeping, eating and breathing.

Must Be Second Nature as we all learn camouflage discipline. Personal Concealment and all principles of camouflage while we are at Seymour Johnson Field, so that when we are in the Field of Combat it will be second nature to us.

Camouflage is one of the oldest and newest weapons of war. It is not only your second weapon of defense but also your most powerful weapon of offense and surprise. One careless soldier not only endangers himself, but every member of his outfit. Under most circumstances, remaining so close to individual Concealment protects his entire unit. A soldier who has learned to avoid the things that betray his own presence also has developed the art of awareness, so necessary for maintenance of camouflage discipline in an entire unit. There the carelessness of one man will reveal the presence of the whole outfit. Individual must learn to be careful, resourceful, eternally vigilant. His Camouflage measures are simple but can be extremely effective. He has no other means to conceal himself. He has little time to conceal himself, especially where he is moving and must continue to move. But he has his hands, his uniform, his equipment, his surroundings and his brain. That is all he needs. The Camouflage he learns is as important as any other knowledge necessary to him. It is common sense applied to two kinds of action: preparing for the job; and using the terrain.

Individual Concealment The enemy will be watching closely, trying to see through our measures of concealment. He has been trained to detect forms that are not immediately obvious. But if your helmet, for example, is disruptively painted or covered with camouflage cloth or burlap, the eye will ordinarily fail to recognize the visible segments as a helmet and will not be warned.

When equipping yourself for the job of fighting, your first step is to break up your outline or form. This may be done by painting your fatigue uniform with disruptive patterns; by attaching twigs, grass and colored cloth to the back of your uniform; by darkening the light color of the face.

The basis of all secrecy in movement is constant use of background. Never expose your silhouette against light background. Use the surface against which you will stand out. You must learn to find and use natural shadows. You must know the advantages of Dispersal. You must know the danger of the slightest move-

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England and the Baptist Seminary Louisville, Ky. At present, the chaplain has a son serving in the African theater of war.

Lt. Edmund McGrath is from the Spokane, Washington Diocese. McGrath who is a native of Ireland, came to Seymour Johnson Field direct from First District Headquarters, Greensboro. He finished Chaplain's School at Harvard University with Chaplain Trainee, First Assignment.

On his first assignment in the Army as a chaplain is Lt. Earl R. L. Landtroop from Plainview, Texas. He was pastor of the First Baptist Church at Idalou, Texas. Chaplain Landtroop attended Wayland College, Bailey University and Fort Worth Baptist Seminary.

The Chaplain stated that owing to the small capacity of the chapels, arrangements are underway to hold some of the services in the theaters. Very careful plans are being made to have services at times to accommodate men on all shifts, the chaplain said.

New Chapel Arrangements New chapel arrangements which have been made to afford accommodations for the nine chaplains are as follows:

- Chapel No. 1, (Post Chapel) Chaplain Trainee, Catholic, Chaplain Landtroop, Baptist.
- Chapel No. 2, Chaplain Davis, Methodist, Chaplain Mantle, Presbyterian.
- Chapel No. 3, Chaplain McCormick, Catholic, Chaplain Olson, Congregationalist.
- Chapel No. 4, Chaplain Goldberg, Jewish, Chaplain Landtroop, Colored, Protestant.
- Chapel No. 5, Chaplain Merrill, Congregational - Christian, Chaplain McGrath, Catholic.

New Way Send Letters

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Letters from all branches of the armed forces. Sweethearts get about 30 per cent of the letters and their dad brings up the rear with only 10 per cent.

Typical of the verbal horseplay dished out to the fathers, in direct contrast to the more serious and more loving notes to the mothers, wives and girl friends, is a record made by a grinning future naval aviation officer: "Dear Dad, Wish you could see me. I'm getting good and awfully hot so that I don't take stuff off my plate. How is my girl? Don't you go trying to take her away from me."

Combination Records Combination inch cardboard combination records, which are unbreakable under normal pressure, the letters usually run about 20 words in length. "Of course, some of the soldiers say that they only get about half that amount on the disc," Mangum pointed out.

One of the favorite methods of conveying a message, that of sweetheart is by song, "and you'd be surprised at how good some of these boys are," says Mangum. Many young men said because they cannot speak extempore

Two Hospital Sun Rooms Furnished by Red Cross

A meeting of the Eastern North Carolina Camp and Hospital Council, held at Seymour Johnson Field, made even clearer the things that are being done for soldiers by that organization. Representatives of the Red Cross were shown through the hospital so that they might ascertain for themselves the result of the work they are doing.

Col. Pease Speaks Col. Philip P. Pease, hospital commanding officer, opened the gathering with a brief welcoming speech. Representatives from Edgecomb and Johnston Counties volunteered to each furnish the hospital with a sun room where convalescent patients may enjoy themselves. There are a proposed total of 20 sun rooms to be furnished at the hospital. Nine are already in operation. The aid of the council has been indispensable in getting these rooms into shape and well stocked with time killers.

Purpose of Council The purpose of the Council is to provide supplementary equipment, supplies and services that may be needed in carrying out the responsibilities of the Army when such items are not available, or cannot be secured from official sources in time to meet the need. By utilizing existing local resources, the Council is helping to make camp life a bit easier for the trainees, particularly those recently inducted into military service. Community efforts are coordinated by the Council and channeled through the resident Red Cross Field Staff, which is informed by Commanding Officers of the stations' needs. Duplication thus is avoided, as well as inappropriate or superfluous gifts on the part of well-meaning citizens.

Most popular of the activities has been the added adornment of day-rooms with radio, victrolas, indoor sports equipment, lamps, etc. at the National Headquarters of the Red Cross.



Boyl Oh'Boyl... This GI reaches for the first doughnut sold at the new Doughnut Shop at the main PX Cafeteria which opened this week.



Standing left of right are the four new Chaplains stationed on this field. They are Chaplain Edward J. McCormick, Lt. Edmund G. McGrath, Earl R. Landtroop and Lance A. Mantle.

ramosely and some do not like to use the prepared scripts. "Oh yes, we have letters already written with blanks left for names," Mangum explained. "About 70 per cent of the men would rather use them than make up their own message."

Service in Alaska Mangum says his company has about two dozen recording machines in constant use all over the country and just recently an engineer was sent to Alaska for camp coverage there.

"We work our recording service," Mangum stated, "on the

theory that by making nice records and by sending them to families and friends of the men in service, we are helping to keep up the home morale as well as giving the man a better chance to communicate with his people and have fun doing it."

Air-O-Mech Goes To June Wedding

A June wedding, true Army style, performed on the Post, was covered by Air O Mech Monday at 1600 when Pvt Rene Moore, 764th T. S. S. was married to Miss Ruth Chrysler. Pfc and Mrs. Moore are both from Philadelphia, Pa.

The service was performed at Protestant Chapel No. 3 with Chaplain Davis officiating.

The bride looked attractive in a light blue silk Jersey with blue and white accessories. She wore a corsage of pale pink roses.

Mrs. Moore who is a graduate of Upper Darby High School, Philadelphia, worked in a secretarial capacity for the Bell Telephone Co., and the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., will stay in Goldboro for ten days before going back north.

The elated GI used to work for the Kellett Autogyro Co., Philadelphia, and his mother and father were present at the ceremony. At the moment he is making his headway with his A. M. course here at Seymour Johnson Field.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Chrysler of Drexel Hill, Philadelphia, are the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Moore, of Lansdowne, Philadelphia, were the happy onlookers.

Mr. Moore was a member of the Air Corp in the first World War and is present an official of Gulf Refining Co. of Philadelphia.

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one time had charge of the Group motor pool, a few motorcycles and a few cars.

Cass came back from Marcellus, France, through the Mediterranean on an Italian ship. He returned to Salem, Mass., and was working for the city water supply when he decided to re-enlist this time.

Jiu Jitsu On; Lt. Bill Marcus Instructs

A man who has lived amongst the Japs all of his life and is skilled to the 14th degree in the various methods of Judo, Jiu Jitsu, and other in which the slant-eyed devils employ it is Lt. Bill L. Marcus of the office of S-3.

Lt. Marcus at present tutoring instructors from the Physical Training Department in the fundamental holds of Jiu Jitsu is not to be confused with Judo, Judo is the milder competitive form of the sport (3) while Jiu Jitsu's literal translation from Japanese is "The Gentle Art of Killing." The instructors are on a course under Lt. Marcus and at the completion of it will brush up on their learnings and then commence teaching soldiers the story of Judo, Judo will supplement physical training in the Technical Training Command of the United States Army Air Force and aid in giving our men a fuller knowledge of defensive tactics.

Some phases which the Lieutenant will enlighten the men on are: the use of the knife, defenses against a knife wielder, use of the pistol, disarming an assailant with pistol, how to throw a man, rifle and bayonet defense, breaking a strangle hold or deathlock, points of vital contact, Black Dragon (silent death), etc.

The instructors are taking to their lessons very well and in a couple of weeks, when they've gotten some background in the work, they will start teaching the men on the field the basic holds of the science.

Lt. Marcus was born in Alameda, Cal., which is an island on the Pacific Coast; which was densely populated with Japs at the time prior to the Pearl Harbor stab. Lt. Marcus is 35 years old and his close contact with the Japs made him very interested in Jiu Jitsu and he has studied it for the past fifteen years. He has many times tangled with the little yellow boys and gathered much savvy about their art and their tactics. Of them he said:

"The Jap is overrated. He fears cold steel more than anything and if he can't get the knife, he'll fear of death at the hands of a bayonet-loom! Yank. They are fine in hand to hand struggle — with odds of three to one favoring them. They are not as left as they'll be back."

Field to See G. I. Movies

The Special Service Section of the field will soon have on hand a supply of 16mm movies for showing during off-duty hours at the Special Service Club.

The films will cover a wide variety of topics. Known as GI movies, the films will be distributed bi-weekly, and will include such subjects as social, travelogues, special foreign films, song shorts, sport shorts and information films procured from civilian producers plus the new Special Service coverage, information series, "The War," and other War Department productions.

Running time for typical shows will be 15 to 20 minutes. Selections on the basis of enlisted personnel reactions obtained through a preview circuit in one of the Service Commands and scattered posts in other areas.

Initial GI releases feature "The War," issue No. 1, containing shots of the bombing of Pearl Harbor (these shots were seized from the enemy), Private Schmidt of a Marine, an aerial attack in the Aleutians and "Confidential Report to Adolph." This is packaged with Award contender, "Men of Timor," a gripping story of a Marine commando thought to be lost to the Japs on the Isle of Timor, "Anchors Aweigh" a song short providing an opportunity for group singing and collective A. R. V. sport short. Future releases will include such subjects as "Cass and Peeling of the 57 mm. Potatoes," "Paratroops," "Russia in Action," and "G.I. in the Army — an animated cartoon.

Only personnel of the Armed Forces are eligible to attend, and admission is free.

Loopy Poses For General

AUSTRALIA (ONS) — When Lt. Odr. McClelland Barclay, artist and illustrator, asked Gen. Douglas MacArthur to sit for a portrait, MacArthur said he'd like to be painted in a military picture but had no time to pose. So Barclay dressed a second lieutenant in Gen. MacArthur's famous gold hat and posed him as the Allied Commander. The likeness, said Odr, is good.