



Sports Sparks

By
Sarge

Well, it finally came. Our first piece of fan mail since we set up business at this stand! So without further ado and with pardonable pride we present a true extract of this historic document.

"Dear Sarge:
Seymour Johnson is a wonderful field, the show is grand, the MPs are gracious gentlemen and Goldsboro is an exceptional metropolis, but O.K., do I have one special peev!

Compared to my pet peev a 15-mile hike carrying full field equipment is as delightful as an Easter Day stroll down Fifth Avenue. Digging a few holes, even for my five-by-five frame is child's play alongside this most noxious of activities. Yes, I would rather engage in two hours of bayonet drill than in fifteen minutes of calisthenics!

There is only one thing that can put me in a state of mind worse than seeing my name posted on the bulletin board for KP, and that is hearing the command "position of exercise, MOVE!" I am definitely and irrevocably allergic to those words. Just the thought of a physical training instructor blasting them at my sensitive eardrums is enough to overwhelm me.

New don't get me wrong, Sarge. I gave the physical training department every opportunity to win my respect and esteem. But these supermen on the stand soon proved they reasoned neither reason nor soul.

Thinking that my first experience with the physical training program had been a horrible mistake I actually possessed for a second try. This time I was convinced. It was incredible but true. The instructor said "men, we're going to build you up" and then proceeded to destroy us.

Neck, arm, leg and body exercises followed each other in shortening succession. Breathing exercises were interspersed along the route in order to revive those who had succumbed. An oxygen tent set up behind the drill field was soon filled with gasping, cough-racked souls that had once been men.

I have reported the entire matter to my first superior. He is an outstanding and capable non-commissioned officer. He said that he has been a bit too busy in the past two years to take any physical training but that he would embrace the first opportunity to check on these fiendish maneuvers, provided, of course, that I told him where the physical training areas are located.

Don't for a moment think I'm opposed to the maintenance of proper physical fitness. Personally, I've always taken pride in my excellent physical condition. Many's the time back home that I shot fifteen to twenty rods in the willard superman, no mean feat in itself. But this calisthenics is something else again!

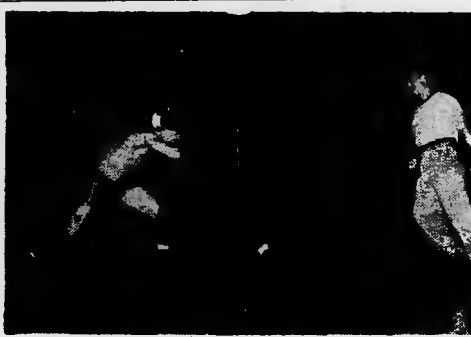
A SUFFERING PFC."

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

14th Week		
Monday, June 21, 1943		
80th Aviation vs. 76th T.S.S.	1	0
20th Q. M. vs. 12th Mess	1	0
90th Q. M. vs. 11th Academic	1	0
Tuesday, June 22, 1943		
33rd AB vs. Hq. & Sq. Sq.	1	0
70th T.S.S. vs. 82nd T.S.S.	1	0
Medics vs. 9th Academic	1	0
Wednesday, June 23, 1943		
No games		
Thursday, June 24, 1943		
Hq. & Sq. Sq. vs. 80th Aviation	1	0
60th Q. M. vs. 10th Academic	1	0
74th T.S.S. vs. 79th T.S.S.	1	0
Friday, June 25, 1943		
36th T.S.S. vs. 33rd AB	1	0
80th T.S.S. vs. 70th T.S.S.	1	0
91st Guard Sq. vs. 11th Acad.	1	0

POST BASEBALL LEAGUE

As of June 16		
	Won	Lost
12th Mess Op.	3	0
801	2	0
78	2	0
797	1	1
802	1	1
Medics	1	1
80th Av. Sq.	1	1



A looping flight is thrown by Pvt. Nick Calderon, but Pvt. Jackson of the 80th Aviation, steps back just in time. This bout provided thrills to the crowded Arena which witnessed the fast moving card.

About Baseball And Boxing

On the sandlots of Seymour Johnson Field, daily baseball wars are being carried on to clinch glory and fame and also for the trophy to be awarded the winners of the respective leagues. Seem as though the 91st Guard Squadron is leading the show in the Softball League by remaining undefeated in the battle of the glove-less game.

From the pitching mounds and from the catchers box, a real brand ball playing is being displayed by individuals. Already several soldiers have walked through the doors of "baseball game" by pitching no hit, no run games. Batters and fielders also have sparkled in upholding their respective teams.

On the boxing fronts: Already the boxing shows have become one of the leading sports attractions at the Sports Arena.

From the dressing room every other Wednesday night, the boys enter the ring with determination, spirit and the willingness to fight like hell. The crowd has picked favorite performers, as told by the cheers and ovations that follow fights. Pvs. Simon and Jackson, colored boys from the 80th Aviation are real crowd pleasers and have fared quite well in their battles to date. Jackson stalks in a Joe Louis manner which has

been fans curious in guessing just how much he really knows. Simon displays an unusual shuffle that really is a dilly contrary to an orthodox stance, nevertheless, he can heave a mighty punch and shuffle away from one just as well. Let's Rematch Voe!

Pvs. Sam Voe, who was one of Philadelphia's leading Golden Glove fighters, has managed to beat the colored ace, Jackson, and now it would be a grand idea to match these boys in a return bout. Pvt. Frank Zollies, who's story appears in the Ring Magazine this month has fought a few times at the arena. The 25 pound ace shows much promise and skill. When Zollies is on the card, the night is complete.

Incidentally, the boys responsible for the management of these recent boxing shows have been doing a good job. Lt. E. F. Eckman heads the program with Pvt. Fur. Putray as boxing instructor and match-maker.

Another Battle Royal, Please! It has been suggested through this department, that another "battle royal" be held in the coming attractions. But this time, they should not be blindfolded, since it doesn't seem fair to the boys who are still covered up while others peek through blindfolds broke loose by blows.

Sports Slants From Other Camps

Charley Gilbert, Cardinal shortstop in 1930 and '31, and Johnny Rizzo, who patrolled the outfield in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Brooklyn, are team mates now at the Norman (Okla.) Naval Station. Recently their team won two out of three from the Waco (Texas) Army Air Field team, managed by Lt. Birdie Tabetts, who used to catch for Detroit.

Eddie Wergeles, son of Chick Wergeles, has been promoted to staff sergeant at Ft. Jay, N. Y. Eddie's dad is Beau Jack's manager.

Before the current baseball season ends, Lt. Cdr. Mickey Cochran's powerful great Lakes Training Station team will have met 13 of the 16 big league clubs.

PFC Bryan (Bilky) Grant, pin-striped Georgia star, recent winner of the Texas State tennis tournament at Kelly Field.

It's Cpl. Max Baer now. And it's Cpl. Buddy Baer, too. Sq. Sq. Baer, former world's heavyweight champion, and Buddy, who fought Joe Louis twice, are stationed at the Sacramento (Cal.) Air Service Command where they're teaching AAF ground crews how to box and wrestle.

Frank Carideo, star quarterback on Knute Rockne's last team and backfield coach at the State University of Iowa, has been ordered to report June 20, at the Naval Aviation Training Station at Quonset Point, R. I. Carideo already has been sworn into the Navy with the rank of Lieutenant Junior grade.

Pt. Rismuto, Sfc. former Yankee shortstop and now stationed at the Norfolk Naval Training Station, and Cora Emmelborn of Newark, N. J., will be married June 20, at Norfolk. Miss Emmelborn's parents have announced.

Softball Standings

For Softball As of June 15

Team	Won	Lost
91st Guard	10	0
36th T.S.S.	7	1
76th T.S.S.	6	2
79th T.S.S.	7	4
36th Students	7	4
9th Acad.	5	4
801st	5	4
90th Q. M.	5	4
Medics	5	4
33rd AB	4	4
74th T.S.S.	6	5
76th T.S.S.	5	5
11th Acad.	3	3
12th Mess	3	3
Hq. & Hq. Sq.	4	3
70th T.S.S.	2	6
80th Av.	2	6
82nd T.S.S.	1	7
927 Q. M.	0	8

Baseball War Continues On Medic Plot Sunday

It's three games again tomorrow. The regular triple-header in which six baseball teams see action every Sunday on the Medic Diamond is becoming one of the most popular events on the post athletic program.

Big Boxing Show Wednesday At Arena

Another boxing show will be the feature at the Sports Arena this coming Wednesday night. Soldiers are warned to come early in order to get a seat, since this show will be spiced with the finest boxers on the post. Some of the fellows matched are Simon vs. McGee; Zollies vs. Ridge-way and many other breath-takers. The card will get under way 2000 sharp.

The three games on tomorrow's card are: 799 vs. Medics; 801 vs. 12th Mess Op. 797 vs. 90th. The starting times are 1100, 1400 and 1730, respectively.

The second encounter promises to be loaded with dynamite for as of this writing both the 801st and the 12th MG are undefeated. Both clubs are well-balanced and boast good hurling, hitting and fielding.

The first game pits the 799th against the Medics. 799 is a powerful aggregation and will be looking for the third triumph while the Medics will be trying to resume the winning way it discovered last Sunday.

Both 797 and the 90th have as yet to record their first win as after the game is over one or the other will have a triumph to its credit.

Dark Calls Tie Contest

Coming from behind in the feature game of last Sunday's triple-one run each in the fourth and fifth innings, the count 5-3 against the 799th nine as the game was called by darkness at the end of the fifth.

In the second game an underdog Medic outfit upset the 802 team 11-9 for its first victory of the season, while in the morning game the 799th overwhelmed the 90th 4-1.

The 799th struck fast and furious. Four hits in the first inning, the best blow of which was Bob Coughlin's double, pushed over a five run. Lefty Lane, the 801 hurler, settled down to pitching good ball and stopped the 799th the rest of the way. Meanwhile, the 801 79th speedballer, and knocked in three runs in the third and one each in the fourth and fifth. The tie game left both outfits tied for first with one victory each.

The 799th, which has snapped back into winning ways after suffering one loss, did hard hitting and took advantage of the 80th's spotty bats to amass 18 runs while their pitcher Ray DePriest was a shutting out the losers.

The Medics finally came through with a win at the expense of the luckless 80nd who dropped three games in four days. Both teams hit hard and often but the 6 runs the Medics pushed over in the first frame decided the ball game. Relief pitcher Watkins of the 80ers struck out thirteen men in the six innings he chucked.

BASEBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 20	
1100-799 vs. Medics	1
1400-801 vs. 12th Mess Op.	2
1730-797 vs. 90th Aviation Sq.	3
Tuesday, June 22	
1800-801 vs. 30th Aviation Sq.	4
Wednesday, June 23	
1800-802 vs. 12th Mess Op.	5
Thursday, June 24	
1830-793 vs. 802	6

Buss Borries, Navy's All-America halfback of a few years ago, downed two Jay Javes in his first five minutes of flying in the South Pacific. He instructs now at Pensacola Air Base.

Oh, come, come, Duce — why don't you hurry up and go down in history!

Ask Me Another A Sports Quiz

Some sporting figures, like Johnny Vander Meer, who once pitched two consecutive no-hit ball games seem to be accomplishing the unaccomplishable. Such were the men who hold the records listed below. What were their names?

In modern baseball, six pitchers have won 300 or more games. Who won the most?

() Walter Johnson. () Cy Young. () Christy Mathewson. () Joe M. Brown.

2. Who holds the Olympic record for the 100-meter dash?

() Charlie Paddock. () Jesse Owens. () Eddie Tolan. () Ernie Lombard.

3. Only one modern fighter has held three world titles simultaneously. Who is he?

() Gene Tunney. () Henry Armstrong. () Beau Jack. () Tony Galento.

4. Four big league ball players have hit four home runs in one game. Who was the last to pull such a stunt?

() Chuck Klein. () Lou Gehrig. () Babe Ruth. () Connie Mack.

5. Only one race horse has succeeded in winning the top four races of a three-year-old thoroughbred. What was his name?

() Whirlaway. () Man O'War. () Sir Barton. () The Black Stallion.

Answers to Ask Me Another Quiz

1. Denton Tecumseh (Cy) Young, pitching for Boston, St. Louis and the Cleveland Indians, won 311 major league games in 22 years. Walter Johnson was second with 314, all won for Washington.

2. Eddie Tolan ran 100 meters in 16.3 in 1932 at Los Angeles, top mark for Olympic competition.

3. Hammering Henry Armstrong once held the featherweight, lightweight and welterweight crowns all at once.

4. Chuck Klein, of the Philadelphia Phillies, was the last man to hit four home runs in a single game. Others to accomplish this feat were Lou Gehrig, Bobby Lowe and Ed Delahanty.

5. In 1919, Sir Barton won the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness, the Withers Mile and the Belmont Stakes. No other horse has ever duplicated this feat.

U. S. Boxing Team Beats British Pugs

Despite the war atmosphere all over the world, the U. S. service men stationed in England carry on with their own war of pugilism against the boxers of Great Britain.

Recently, the American boys defeated the British team 6-3 in a close fight that provided a grand show for the thousands that attended the card.

The only knockout of the eleven bouts was scored by British sergeant-runner Fred Smith over Frank Missell of Cleveland in a light heavyweight close bout. Smith flattened his American rival with three successive rights to the jaw in the second.

In the feature heavyweight bout, Pvt. Vincent Kosak of Hazelton, Pa. outpointed Bombardier George Preston of the Commandos.

The fights were held under American rules and British spectators, most of whom were not familiar with the system of judging, showed dissatisfaction with long shadowed three close decisions. The referee, Lieut. Col. Richard Vintner, former New York sports writer.

A hard wallop to the belly by a blindfolded boxer shows the result of the "apple royal" held in his week's boxing card.