

Man of The Week



M-SGT. ROBERT G. ROMERO
M-Sgt. Robert G. Romero walks out of Harding High School, Marion, Ohio, one warm day in June of 1937. With him he carries a brand new diploma. The world was wide open at the time and opportunities were his targets. He got a job with a large clothing concern and things went smoothly until 1940 when war clouds began to form. He enlisted at Fort Hayes, Ohio, in the Fall of '40 and was sent to Canute Field. He was assigned to the Provost Marshal Department.

In 1942 he was sent to Seymour Johnson Field and was made 1st Sgt. of the 312th Central Postal Directory, which was activated at this station last August.

At the present he is Chief N. C. O. of the Military Police, under the supervision of Major H. N. El-Hot, Provost Marshal, and Capt. A. C. Holmquist, Asst. F. M. (Sgt. Romero worked under Major El-Hot at Canute Field.) Romero's instruction, and proper execution of the duties of the Military Police Unit. He also has direct supervision of the men at the Post Mortuary within the limits of the reservation—which includes the radio patrolis gates, and special details. The Goldsboro Branch Office, located in City Hall, with its patrol cars, radio operators and walking patrolmen is also under his jurisdiction. Another of his jobs is to maintain harmonious cooperation with Civilian authorities.

Sgt. Romero recently married a local girl and both reside in Goldsboro.

Golf, softball, baseball and basketball are sports which he participated in during high school, and he still retains an active interest in them.

EMs Checked

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limits of available qualified personnel.

To centralize classification activities particularly as related to the assignment and reporting of specimens under officers and enlisted men especially trained therefor and to encourage the use of the classification system by command and other commanders in making duty assignments of officers and enlisted men.

24 Recover

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severe electrical and rain storm over the field. The injured soldiers were rushed to the Station hospital for treatment.

Most seriously injured men were: Sgt. Leon W. Roady, son of Alvin E. Roady, 34 Pine Street New York City.

Sgt. Loyal H. Barnby, husband of Mrs. L. H. Barnby, 308 North Greenway Road, Hyland Park, Ill.

Pfc. Dwight L. Jones, son of Mrs. Fanny Keate, of Birmingham, Ala.

Pfc. Jules Levin, son of Mrs. Helen C. Levin, of 1618 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The dead:

Sgt. Gordon L. Hanson, son of Mrs. Emma Hanson, of Harvey, N. D.

Sgt. Alvin Yager, son of Mrs. Katherine Yager, of Elmfield, N.Y.

Sgt. Joseph E. Driver, Jr., son of Mrs. Ann E. Driver, of Tampa, Fla.

Pfc. Ange E. Campbell, son of Lella Campbell of Newport, Vt.

Thursday night, men of the 133rd Squadron called for an honor guard for the bodies of the dead. One hundred soldiers volunteered, but because of transportation, only 30 were used.

Brief, special services were held for the men at the Post Mortuary with Chaplains Tainter and Mantle officiating.

Eight soldiers stood guard at hearse while the bodies were being taken to the Goldsboro railway station pending shipment home.

Germans Guard Toe of Italy

WITH THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY IN SICILY The German High Command has established a special headquarters to organize evacuation facilities to the mainland and to guard the Toe of Italy against a surprise landing.

A captured order of the Hermann Goering Panzer Division dated February 29 disclosed also that the Nazi Corps Command in Sicily had ordered on that date that "all road blocks and prepared demolitions in so far as they are named by Italians, will be taken over by our own troops."

The order said in part that "immediate danger from the air demands the dispersal of motor transport and the transportation of those vehicles not absolutely necessary for battle to the mainland."

A girl with a slow southern drawl was out with a fast worker and before she could say "I'm not that kind of a girl," she was—

A fox is a wolf that sends flowers.

Air Forces

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Aug. 1, 1937, when Brig. Gen. James Allen, chief signal officer of the Army, established the Aeronautical Division, "to study the flying machine and possibility of adapting it to military purposes." Capt. Charles DeG. Chandler, Signal Corps, was designated the first chief of the new division.

Opl. Edward Ward and Pfc. Joseph E. Barrett were assigned to duty with the division. Various Signal Corps officers were detailed to aerostatics during this period, but it was a time of paper work and formation rather than actual flying.

There's a story about a woman who cried wolf and was right the first time.

The Wolf



by Sansone

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At present Ellenbogen is attending a school and hopes some day to walk down the streets of his native city, and have no fear of suddenly having to duck into an alley.



But, hup, hit, but! Yowah, and it's the Ladies mourn Johnson in marching formation—and if you don't think they beat a wicked cadence, just look at those right feet striking the ground!

Hollywood

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casually paced; their "ah"-getting, and very funny routines worked with incredible ease. During the ten years the Swifts have been in show business, they've trooped the world as headliners. There's an act with universal appeal; entertainment without language barriers.

The Cappy Barra Boys add the novelty note to Hollywood Gaieties. A fine harmonica quartette, the boys play everything from Bach to Bogie-woogie, work a lot of comedy into their act and also feature a vocalists. Their instrumental arrangements are in there—solid. Before joining Camp Swifts, for whom they scored all winter, they had played in clubs and theaters throughout the country and had been featured in the films "Pot O' Gold" and "Mad About Music."

Formerly with Benny Merand and his Funnafire show, Terry and Ralph Rie bring to Hollywood Gaieties their very clever and amusing comedy dialogue and ad-libbing.

Frank Ellenbogen

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was a Jew that meant extra labor. But always was Frank able to get out of a jam. One time he fell out of his hiding place, and he took him six months to recover. He recalls the time he was to be appointed a city fireman. All the tests had been taken and passed, and now the appointment was just a formality. But came the usual question as to nationality, and Frank's hopes of becoming a fireman were shattered.

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First of New Series Of Musical Shows Presented

The first of a series of musical shows made its debut at Theatre No. 1 Tuesday night to a musical-minded crowd which accepted the program with enthusiasm. Maj. J. B. Murr, Special Service Officer, told how the musical set-up of this post has progressed in the year of active status. Just one year later Tuesday the school at Seymour Johnson Field was opened and the first batch of students began to pour in. At that time, no movies or other facilities of entertainment were available. New we have many facilities and also four times the amount of musicians as we had one year ago.

Master Sergeant Norman F. Leyden was introduced by Major Murr. Leyden conducted the orchestra and the pipe club. The program was spiced with a variety of music, both semi-classical and swing. The all-male Glee Club sang a number of songs with "Blue Moon" dominating in the way of popularity. Solo vocalists for the evening were Sgt. George Gaines and Opl. Gene Homaner.

The "Tech Commander" opened the program playing the "Training Command Song" and then played every thing from hottest blare of the brass section to the serene tones of valines. Breaking up the large band and rigging out on their own were the J & B in a song, an aggregation of 7 men who went strictly instrumental.

The half-hour show which is being processed for a national Broadcasting hook-up was debatable in the theatre with the audience because of the Tuesday night blackout. The result of this was more than 45 minutes of extemporaneous entertainment featuring Pvt. Faley Clapp and his novelty fiddle act.

Musical Shows will be given every Tuesday night at 11:30 at Theatre 1. Admission is free.

Double Bars Passed Out To Four Officers

The War Department this week revealed the promotion of four more Seymour Johnson Field first lieutenants to the rank of captain, and the upping of seven second lieutenants to first.

The new captains: Luther Spicer Williams, Oswald Benton Dryden, Carl Howe Moody, and James Quincy Blackwood.

The new first lieutenants: David Alexander, Donald H. Frank, Harold Joseph, Carl H. Anderson, Henderson, Ralph Goff, Franklin Keith Demmon and Martin Samuel Dostal.

It is commonly supposed that the first duty of a good soldier is to die for his country. This is a mistake. The first duty of a soldier is to make his comrades die for them.

Returned Gunner

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wonderful until you get awfully tired of hearing people complain about what a nice place we're having here in the States. Then you want to get away from it all. You want to get back where men are fighting and dying for it a things they think are right—but not complaining."

Goraline collected in Los Angeles and went to AM and electrical school. "I had thought the Air Forces was good," Goraline said here. "I got into it." Goraline said here.

After sailing first from San Francisco, Goraline left Honolulu in a group transport bound for the Philippine Islands, and on Dec. 6 was creating the squeaker. "We had just had chapel services on Sunday and were told to go below. Then they told over the loudspeaker system that 'Pearl Harbor had been attacked. Well—our reaction seemed to be that the war would be over in just a few days. We didn't worry."

"We went to the PH Islands first and then to Australia, where we landed Dec. 21. Our first job was to get a group of A-24s ready and then we headed for Java. We were there a month—until the island fell. During that time I was the chief and flying combat as a gunner.

stayed to New Guinea. From there we began bombing Lae and Salamaua.

"When the Japs landed at Buna, I was shot down while riding as a gunner in an A-24. Paratroops were flying cover for us, but Jap Zeroes suddenly swarmed out of nowhere. In one swift pass they got our ship, putting the oil tank out of commission. Our engines froze up.

"An American air base was in sight, and we headed for it. There was nothing below us but jungle. We couldn't make the field, so the pilot suffered two broken fingers and a bad gash to the head. Later we discovered we were ten miles from the American field we had sighted.

"We started toward the field through the jungle. It took us five days to go the ten miles. I spent four months in the hospital as a result. That was when they awarded me the purple heart.

"After recovery, I went through the Buna campaign. Had malaria four times. Our squadron participated in the Blinmanek Bala battle, when 23 Jap vessels were knocked out. Our squadron was credited with sinking a third of those ships." And then it was back to the states for Goraline. He arrived on June 11, received a furlough, and then went back on active duty at Camp Tule. He is here with a mobile training unit.

"People over here talk a lot about what they've done in the way of being heroes," Goraline said. "They should have seen the 300 Officers and Enlisted Men of my outfit hit 250,000 of war bonds in one week's time!"

Field Urged To Save

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greater conservation measures on the part of all organizations.

It urges that the greatest economy be exercised in the maintenance, repair, improvement, alteration, and replacement and other work accomplished on road property. All such work, it contends, must be tied to the war effort.

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