



Sports Sparks By Sarge

Hallelujah! We all know that the Air Corps is tops and now we will have the opportunity to prove it! Latest and biggest news of the week is the announcement from the P. T. offices that the field regulation prohibiting athletic competition off the field for Jockscootes has been rescinded. The withdrawn rule means a heckova lot more than may at first be figured on reading it.

This means that our OIs can form their own Post boxing, basketball, etc. teams and play different entouragees from all over North Carolina. It is fully expected from this corner that BJF basketball fives and fight teams will be engaging the likes of Camp Davis, Camp Lejeune, Fort Bragg and other service outfits. College teams will probably also be looked.

The Sarge, for one, will sure nuff get a kick out of watching a Seymour Johnson Field hoop team che some touted Ach Ach team get let off the floor at the New Sports Arena this Fall. And fighters! Why, our grand gang of battlers will make it painful for any so-called tough Marines or Paratroopers who dare to trade leather with our men—I be...! Begorrah, it looks as though Lia, Eckman and Rosenbhum will have to have the Arena walls rubberized to allow for the crowds that will certainly pack it real soon!

LESSON

Was battin' the breeze with Benjar instructor Sammy Potrook when, of a sudden, Sgt. Sammy spotted a GI on the other side of the gym punching the heavy bag. "Look at that kid send 'em in!" he said and walked over to watch the lad. It got real interesting watching Potrook teach Lou Vlasco, of the 793rd, the proper way to toss a left hook. Speaking softly and patiently, he told the raw youngster how to snap in the hook from a 15-inch distance and had him alternate this practice with holding his palm up for a target. For Vlasco and then letting him "in" on the bag itself. He would give the lad into the correct position and then have him go through the movements in slow motion, meanwhile explaining the importance of leverage, balance, keeping the eyes on the target, etc.

After ironing out one rough spot after another until he had satisfied himself with the improvement in the lad, Sammy terminated the lesson reminding Vlasco that practice was now the big thing in perfecting of that one particular phase of boxing. The Sarge was as far as finished fluffing is concerned, Vlasco is very earnest, willing, and intent on his training. True typicality of Sports Arena slug students.

Masterings

PFC. MICHAEL NORIN, 716th Tug., creating a little audience as he went through a few slick acrobatics on the parallel bars. He sure nuff made some mighty tough tricks look simple. Came from just outside Chicago where he used to team up with other gymnastic-minded fellows and entertain interested spectators at town clubs. . . . PVT. IRVING JACKSON, our ace colored middleweight, has brought a couple of boys down to the Sports Arena for the past couple of weeks who may develop into real prize and joys of their 90th AVN. . . . PVT. IRVIN WHITE, a middleweight from Philly, and PVT. AMOGENE COURTNEY, of Waco, Texas, are the lads and they aren't bad. Very impressive indeed are the Cadets doing calisthenics en masse to the music of their band.

OFFICER'S CORNER

Colonel O'Brien is the former head of the American Professional Basketball Association. An illustrious position. . . . Capt. John F. Miller, new Director of Physical Training on the field, is an ex-boxing and football star for North Carolina. . . . Fort Chaplain, Capt. James M. Tainter is one of the best all-around athletes on this field. Chaplain Tainter plays a hard game of softball, is an excellent swimmer, good baseball player and is adept at several other sports.

793rd Needs Game For Baseball Flag

STU-rrrrrike

Bowling at the Post Alleys reached a new high last Sunday, the 12th, when over 600 lines were played in one day alone.

The reasons for this popularity are many, but foremost among them is the excellence of the alleys and the \$2.00 prize offered to the person who bowls the highest score every week.

With such encouragement and the natural appeal of the sport, field personnel are flocking to get 'em up and knock 'em down. Have you tried it, lately?

Baseball league play at Seymour Johnson Field is due to be completed tomorrow and the 793rd Technical School Squadron looks like a sure bet for the title. As the latest results came in, only one game separates them from the coveted victory banner.

Captain Baker's hard-hitting club from the 793rd seem to find that last necessary victory very elusive. Wednesday night they were bottled to a stalemate by the plucky 797th which refused to say die and held the first place outfit to a 2 to 2 deadlock. Tomorrow the 793rd will step out onto the diamond at 1800 and cross bats with the last position 794th.

This is THE game. Second Place Contention. The fight for second spot in the standings is still undecided with

both the Medics and the 12th Mess Group having one game each left and the valued position depending on the outcome of them. A tie could be the result of the games if a lot of the present standings is taken. The Messmen play today and the Docs are set for the supreme effort tomorrow morning at 0900.

The 794th and the 797th are still at it with the vital fourth place in the loop being decided this week. Elimination from the Playoffs is in store for the nine which finishes up in last place.

W. L. Post By 792 This past week's scores were few but important. On Sunday the 12th mess was taken over in hurdlers by the almost "in" 793ers, 8 to 3. Webb was winning flinger for the 793rd and Herman Kiel 10 to 8 through a combination of spotty fielding and solid sticking by the 792rd.

Wednesday seemed endemic for the games with the 12th Mess playing one against the 794th in the morning and the afore-mentioned tie between the 793rd and the 797th coming in the evening.

All teams are in fine shape for the nearing Post Playoffs. They are playing good, errorless ball with light fielding and sharp hitting featuring every game.

Playoffs will start Thursday and carry through until the ultra ultra Seymour Johnson Field baseball nine is chosen. The Staugnessy System will be used in the playoffs with the first and fourth places teams paired off in the first round and the second and third position teams also competing in the first portion. The two outfits which emerge unscathed from these scraps will then go against each other in a two out of three competition for the blue ribbon.

Second-guessers may rack and rereck their brain cells trying to figure out who will cop the crown by poring over the following up-to-date Baseball League standings.

BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDING As Of Sept. 15

Team	W.	L.
793rd	18	7
Medics	17	9
12th Mess	10	10
797th	11	12
794th	9	13

Robertson's T.K.O. Tops Boxing Show

Wednesday night the Sports Arena saw another hard-fought card of boxing bouts. In the feature contest of three rounds, 796th's Stan Robertson, from Arkansas at 171, plastered a t.k.o. on Pennsylvania John Pealer, 795th. Pealer was no match for the ability Robertson, who landed with hard rights often. Robertson cut Pealer's right optic and Referee Lt. Welles stopped the contest in 1:30 of the second round.

False Beats Vlasco The opening bout saw Lou Vlasco, 793rd, from Hartford, Conn., lose a thrilling match to Tommy Falsco, 794th and Illinois. It was all Falsco for the first two frames, as his staggered his courageous rival repeatedly with hard blows. Vlasco came out fighting in the third and, after being floored for "one," came back to batter his man and be battered himself. It was "too little and too late."

Jimmy Jackson's 90th Avn. protégé, Irvin White, scored a two beat t.k.o. over Frank Almsfeld, 791st, in the third scrap. White's scored hard and often and was drubbing his man almost at will, when Mercy, in the form of Ref. Lt. Chasler stopped in and stopped it in 1:50 of the second.

Denbie-Quick Kaye Eulimio Solano, the fighting instructor, won his second straight Frankie Vognar from the 711th Tug. A left and right dropping Frank for the third time caused the ref. to hand the bout to Solano in 1:30 of the first.

Nessom Abraham, from Pa. and the 719th Tug. scored an exciting win over 791st's Bill Phelps, Alkron, O. Both boys went at it with gusto. Heavy hitting featured the

second, but Phelps seemed more the worse for wear when the final round started. "Abe" circled carefully and floored Phelps for nine. The battle continued and the decision went to Abraham.

Carroll Grant, 7113 Tug. Gp., put across the quickest win of the night when he dumped the 98th's Benton Long for nine with a solid right in the first and then clipped him around with other weighty wallops. Long said something to the ref. and the bout was stopped. Long later explained that he was hurt. Time: 1:15 of the first.

Tommy Romano, winner over Hawke Purser, was voted Fighter Of The Night, by the judges and received a book of War Dept. theater tickets as an award. This was the second presentation of this newly awarded prize. Al Cavanaugh was the first award two weeks ago.

Pittsburgher John Farrell, 796th, lost a close duke to Bill Leo of the 791st. Leo got in the more worthwhile blows and earned the verdict. The crowd loved this one. Stugging galore.

80th Avn. Boy Wins Gene Courtney, 80th Avn., took a narrow decision over Ed Fournier of the 791st. Gene landed well for the first two rounds and had Fournier going in circles, but Ed came back fast and even sat Courtney down for a no-count in the third and last session.

The semi-final paired Joe Romano, punching hard and fast, was ahead all the way, but the game Purser just ate leather and kept on coming in. He was finally forced out by the canvas for nine just at the final gong. The decision went to Romano. —JHR.

Weekly Sports Calendar

SUNDAY
Baseball
794th vs. Medics—0900
794th vs. 793rd—1800

MONDAY
Baseball
Avn. Cadets vs. 913th Cd. Sq.—1745
Horseback
Post Tourney Finals—1800

WEDNESDAY
Boxing
Avn. Cadet Boxing Show—3000

TUESDAY
Baseball
Post Playoffs—1715

FRIDAY
Baseball
Post Playoffs—1715

SATURDAY
Baseball
Post Playoffs—1830

Medics Clinch Softball Crown In Officer Lg.

The Medical Officer's swept three playoffs in a row from Captain Wedeck's ten and took the championship of the Officer's Softball League. Scoring definite margins of 5 to 1, 8 to 3 and 9 to 0, in their winning games the Medics thus captured the title which has been fought for from March on into August.

The Medical Officers clinched the award on Monday by taking the necessary third victory. The following day in a post-season struggle, the Officer All Stars were whipped, 3 to 5 by the Medics. They had to overcome a 4 to 0 deficit before taking the contest.

Titular Lineup The roster for the champions includes: Captain Clark, pitcher, Captain Rumbaugh, 1b, Captain Gordon, 2b, Captain Turner, 3b, Lt. Brunick, 4b, Major Bahick, ccf, Captain Franks, lf, Lt. Ricci, cf, Lt. Keller, rf, Lt. Schofield, rf, and Lt. Cody, catching.

Softball activity will continue for another two months with the Officer All Stars playing various Enlisted Men teams. These Officer-EM games have created a lot of interest throughout the season and continuation of them is good news for field OIs.

Cadets Box At Arena

The first show of its kind ever shown at BJF will usher in bi-monthly Cadet boxing shows at the Sports Arena this Wednesday when our Cadets will stage their initial card.

Competition is restricted to Cadet vs. Cadet. The show will go on at 2000 and after Cadet spectators have filed in it is expected that a good number of seats will still be left for non-Cadet OIs. A bevy of clean-cut, strapping Cadets are on tap to supply the talent and a full evening of thrills is guaranteed.

Horseshoe Finalists

Pilay in the Post Horseshoe tournament has reached the semifinal and final bracket. The nightly eliminations behind the Sports Arena for the past two weeks have resulted in three men being left for those rounds.

Filling one slot in the final round is Cpl. Paul Boyer of Ea. and Sq. Sqdn. Fighting it out for the chance to oppose Boyer in the glory round are Pfc. Ken Hopkins, 80th Avn. and Cpl. Sam Koobler, 10th Acad.

Competition will be completed on this Monday and the champ crowned. A titular representative of the Officers is to pitch against the EM king soon after the tourney



A SCRAPPY OUTFIT . . . is the baseball team from the 794th T. S. S. seen above in the first row. Don Shumate, Pfc. Joe Aiton, Major Jesse Malcho, from left to right, are: Pfc. Jim Sussapanak, Pfc. Lt. Altek Mitchell, Pfc. Harold Beking, Pfc. John Mottler and Cpl. J. O. McWhirter. Back row: Cpl.

George Barr, Pfc. "Bew" Steward, Pfc. Leo Kuczkowski, Sgt. Joe Hartman, manager Pfc. Al Weber, Pfc. James Wood and Pfc. Ed Harwood, Perched in front of the group are the 1st Lt. Clarence Henry and on the right Pfc. Barry Whitman.