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FEMLE JUMPS-OR FALLS FROM SECOND STORY IN G&I'S QUARTERS

"I don't know anything about it", claimed G.I. wolves as the whole street emptied at the sound of screams. Picking herself up unhurt but wailing, she accepted some candy and ran home to her mother. The Lord protects drunks and little children.

SLAPS?RAFS and TAPS.

Patiently agreeable and understandly Dale Drown listens to a German. "Here is a real friend" thinks the kraut. When he finishes talking, Drown says "Nix Verstehe" and walks off.

Even if you don't want a woman it's fun to see which ones you could have. Hilliker ties a string to a chocolate bar placed on the walk and hides behind a bush. If liking chocolate is a guide he could have had a lot of woman.

Lt. Lay almost had a baby-

Lt. Lent almost had a baby-

Lt. Lay rushed Sellick and the jeep for a midwife.

Lt. Lent picked up the maternity case and took it to a hospital.

with
 Whats the matter Lt. Wesel?

"The scum of the Engineers" was the self description of the Road Guard Platoon when Lt. Massa found one lone cpl. as the only non com in the 60 men allotted him.

But they did a magnificent job according to Col. Jones and they had no rot to take from self important non coms.

Know when the war with Japan will end? Don't get your prophecy from home. Ask Mason. His family stopped his subscription to the home town paper two months ago when the home town prophet told them it was all over in Europe.

Lt. Wesel briefing his provisional platoon: "For three minutes and four seconds the Russian and American Generals won't have anything to do but look at you Engineers."

Are you positive it wasn't three minutes and five seconds, Lt?

Pappy Page readying for a discharge is rapidly filling his book with dirt about his Buddies. --- He will live off his Buddies by threting to show his black book to their wives. No wonder the men are all seeking pistols to take home.

"What did you find in this house, Ahrens?" "Find?" exclaimed Ahrens. "White has been through here first."

Miller speaks good German. Hgulstad says it's so too. "Why the hell can't the women understand me then?" demands Miller.

Prilla was in Nice battling Women and Wickey. "Missing in Action." explains his delayed return.

BEE COMPANY MEETS THE RUSSIANS

For a solid week there was "spit and polish" in the ranks of the once dirty Engineers.

The choice men of the Battalion were selected to be an honor guard for Gen. Keating's meeting with the Russian Generals.

A difficult decision faced each Platoon Comdr. in Bee Co. The whole reputation of the 102d Div. and the American Army rested on them. They had to choose 60 men to become part of the Honor Guard for the meeting. Meeting U.S. Troops the Russians would get their opinion of them from how they looked, how they acted and how clean were the butt plates of their M1's. Taking this very seriously Bee Company sent its most "Spit and Polish" Lt. to take charge of the one platoon. If training would do the job, Lt. Besel would get it done or bust.

For second in command Bee Company sent Sgt Toohy fresh from a furlough in London and ready to tackle an enormous job. An enormous man for an enormous job.

Taking a cue from such brilliant leadership and inspired by many speeches, the men set to work with a mighty will. They lined up for hours to have Rutkowski cut their hair, they lined up for hours to have Rutkowski press their clothes. They worked terrifically trying to get in the good graces of their neighboring women so they could have their insignias beautifully sewed on. With a determination that the Russians should see them at their healthiest they stormed the chow line. Not to be caught worried and tired they fraternized at night for relaxation and slept by day for rest. Occasionally when it didn't interfere with their determination to look healthy and rested they drilled.

Col. Jones and Capt. Elliott who were running the show, noting the sad faces of the men who were left out of it, decided to let them meet the Russians -- but secondary glory was for them. They couldn't march in the show but they could stand still and present arms.

Immediately they joined in the frantic effort to be worthy of the great affair. They did everything Lt. Besel's platoon did except get their haircuts, drill and listen to speeches on how important was their role. They accepted the tacit relaxation of the non-fraternization policy with the pain of martyrs. But realizing that it was for the good of the 102d they too cultivated the women to have their uniforms serviced.

Gen. Keating made no mistake in selecting the Engineers. It was fortunate that having no other outfit so unimportant as to be of no use elsewhere, they should also have been good. They did not let down the Battalion, they didn't fail the good old 102. They didn't let down the American Army and most of them didn't see the Russians!

Some saw flashes of red caps as they stared into space standing at attention. The standing road guards saw even smaller flashes as the convoy passed through. Gen Keating was pleased by the Engineer performance.

Bee Company was safely entrusted with the honor of the Army. The men hoped the officers had a lot of fun. Any work they can do to make the officers happy is a joy for the men always.

HISTORY IS MADE

In practice Honor Guard, Gen. Keating approaches. Wojc using a stick for a rifle comes to present arms for the General.

SIDE LIGHTS ON GERMANS.

The Germans drink good whiskey. But there is a shortage of Germans doctors so it is better that they do not have to drink poisoned whiskey. We have an abundance of good doctors in the American army so our men can get good treatment when they drink poisoned whiskey if they're not already dead.

A group of G.I.s sitting lazily around guarding a house. A woman walks over to them and asks if anyone can speak German. One G.I. can speak it. "Will you all cut some kindling wood for me?" She asked.

One woman begged the quartered in her house. "Don't let other women in my house." They plunder and loot." And then they report our soldiers to A.M.G. when something is missing.

"Please do not hurt my house. Nix nazi here!"

Entering new quarters in Stendal a sidelight on German progress was found. On the shelf was a book. "How to kill Jews in two easy lessons", printed in 1932. They were not backward. Ten years later, in 1942 they published "How to kill Americans in two easy lessons." It was there, too!

The re-education of Germany for democracy and religious tolerance will have to include the dog who played contentedly with the G.I.'s but turned and snarled when Goldman appeared.

..Editorial..

We set the example for closing our eyes to the truth when we dropped the second stanza of the "Star Spangled Banner" because it offended some people who didn't think we should remember England's attack on us in 1812.

We set another example Wednesday when in greeting the Russians we played their national anthem, "The Internationale"; "The Internationale" is a stirring, dynamic, powerful, revolutionary song beginning "Workers of the World, United Arise"! It was sung by the Red army all thru it's terrific onslaught on the German Wehrmacht. It is a song of "Do and Die".

We played it as a slow dreamy waltz when we greeted the Russians. If we had any bleaching fluid we undoubtedly would have taken the Red out of the Red flag for fear we might be contaminated by the Revolutionary origin of the Soviets.

For the perfect soldier in ranks.

Fasten a mirror on the back of all helmet liners. Then you can see if yours is on straight. Remember we will lose the peace and be unfaithful to the men who were killed if we have our helmet liners crooked.

WE INTERVIEW LT. DANIEL V. LENT FOR THE DEE STINGER.

Chosen as the first company officer to be interviewed Lt. Lent set a precedent for all future interviews. He modestly began talking about Lt. Lent. Then he talked about himself. Then he talked about what he had done. Then he talked about how good he was. The interview ended while he was still talking about Lt. Lent.

Meeting the Russians.

An American soldier with Mexican ancestry carrying Russian flag in Germany. That's America, Isn't it Morin?

Dee Company was too well-behaved this week! Nice people don't get in the news!

The Editor.