

Oct. 15, 1942 - Lifford, Dighton, caught
 boat British (Kerran).
 Nov 18, 1942 - Arrived on Irish coast
 in Dighton.
 Dec 28, 1942 - Lifford, Dighton.
 Jan 1, 1943 - Arrived at Sebrin (Dighton).
 Jan 29, 1943 - Lifford, Dighton for Derrin
 Hill.
 Feb. 1, 1943 - In combat at Sebrin.
 Feb. 14, 1943 - Captured 3000 apples this morn.
 Feb. 18, 1943 - 3 days in prison camp
 at Sebrin.
 Feb. 2, 1943 - Terms given to go off.
 Feb. 28, 1943 - Lifford Derrin by Derrin.
 Feb. 28, 1943 - Arrived at a large village
 at Sebrin.
 March 3, 43 - Lifford, Derrin by Derrin.
 March 4, 43 - Caught ferry boat from Sebrin
 to Derrin (Derrin).
 March 6, 43 - Arrived at Derrin
 Camp on the bank of the River Derrin,
 Derrin.
 Aug. 1, 43 - Lifford, Derrin in prison
 camp at Derrin, Derrin.
 Aug. 6, 43 - Arrived at Derrin
 prison camp at Derrin.

Oct 27, 1941 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Oct. 29, 1941 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Oct. 30, 1941 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Jan. 30, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Feb. 2, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 April 29, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 April 30, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 May 1, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 May 2, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 May 12, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Aug. 21, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Aug. 24, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Sept. 12, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.
 Sept. 24, 1942 - Arrived at Sebrin, Derrin.

For nice day ^{one whole calendar} Tues. Aug. 43 But today.
I got this new butter
& coffee. Up at 5 but at 7
I got wheat & barley
4 of us is left out until
about 9:00. Take clothes
from
last night. made cup of hot
coffee for bed time. Boys showing
sweat for supper.

Mon. Aug. 43 A bad but day
raining in the evening
& tonight. we get to place late &
has soup (Spud) & spud
(loiled). Get Red + box # A1
this evening. Corp trouble today.
Bread & butter ^{steamed} at
Camp for going. To leave at 2:00
but around 1:00 (Camp) at
at Hermannstein. Soup about
12 or 12:30.

Sun. Aug. 43 Went to Church
at 6:00 tonight. A beautiful
morn. Bread & butter got
at noon time. Soup at
noon. Sprinkled saint sand
I believe up in evening after
dinner

Sat. Aug. 43 I had
had oatmeal tonight.
I got & cooked
up. A terrible bad day
morning had all day of
very cold & windy we
got our clothes today
just for dinner.
Bread & butter came
right at noon (little
after)

5 1/2 OUNCES

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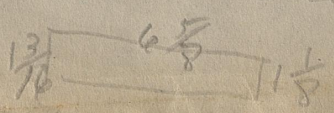
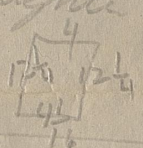
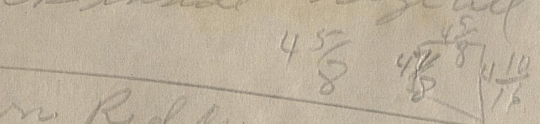
Milk Chocolate

WITH ARTIFICIAL VANILLIN FLAVOR

SWEET LIFE FOOD CORP., DISTRIBUTORS, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

SWEET LIFE

| Date | Recorded Am |
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| L. M. W. Y. | |
| Sun. Feb. 14, 1903 | X Inside back of notebook (writing paper) |
| Mon. 15, '43 | packed in Sicily. size $5\frac{1}{8} \times 8\frac{1}{8}$ |
| Tue. 16, '43 | |
| Wed. Oct. 13, '43 | Inside Horizontal wrote top o. fold (big) |
| Sept 29, '43 T. | Parrell Michigan map) $3\frac{3}{8} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$ |
| Sept. 28, '43 B | Inside Parrell. $3\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$ |
| May 28, '43 | Face (top) melts Plan Chocolate Vitaminised Quartz Round nut |
| May 24, '43 | Top back inside |
| May 23, '43 | B. back inside size all |
| Sat. Jan 1, '44 | on Brown Red Cross was black |
| Mon. May 15, '44 | paper bright side as indicated |
| Tues. May 16, '44 | size |
| Wed. May 17, '44 | |
| Sun. Nov. 14, '43 | on inside of Swan soap wrapper top-down |
| Sat. April 24, '43 | Inside front of writing label from study |
| April 9, '44 | Under side size |
| April 16, '44 | Darker side $4 \times 12\frac{1}{4}$ |
| April 15, '44 | Brown Red Cross was black |
| Sat. April 1, '44 | Bright Brown Red + was black |
| Sun. April 2, '44 | Bright side |
| Sun. April 23, '44 | Darker side $4 \times 12\frac{1}{4}$ |
| Mon. April 24, '44 | |
| Wed. July 21, '43 | Brown Red + was black |
| | Darker side |



30. / Her up about 10:30.
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after good copy taken from
49 of book
from [unclear]

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Carl and I share this evening late.
Been a lovely day.

~~Sünden (die)~~
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~~(sein) Zustand (die)~~
~~Wort (die)~~
satisfiel - satt
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secret - Geheimnis
stipend - Unterhalt
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~~Regen~~
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gleich - gleich
schill (to) - riechen, (verb, past tense)
~~Wort~~ - Verkäuferin (die)
seltsam
sitzen (Past tense sat.)

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~~Wort (die)~~
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Phant

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~~schon (to) - schon~~

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CHAPTER III.

~~schon (to) - schon~~
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CHAPTER IV.

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crazy - verrückt
clean - sauber
clean (to) - reinigen
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column - Säule (the) ~~at least~~ ~~at least~~ ~~at least~~
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the world goes to rest - die Welt geht zur Ruhe
from the bottom of my heart - von Herzen
full of happiness - voll Glück

Wünsch (für, ich wünsche - I wish)
this is the way it is done - so wird das gemacht

~~impossibility~~
it gets better - es wird besser
~~impossibility~~ (to) ~~impossibility~~
impression - Eindruck (der)
~~impossibility~~ ~~impossibility~~ (der)
in ~~impossibility~~ - ~~impossibility~~ (in ~~impossibility~~)
~~impossibility~~ (to) - ~~impossibility~~
I know (assured condition) - (wenn ich
wüsste) (of).
~~impossibility~~ - behaupten

~~need (to) - brauchen~~
~~not (to) - nicht (to)~~
~~branch - Branchen~~
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er sei subyunctive of exist. (3)

~~engagement - Verlobung (die)~~
~~examination, disputation - Lese (die)~~
~~examen - Examen (des)~~
~~examination - Prüfung (die)~~
~~exister - aufpassen~~
~~examen (to) - prüfen~~
~~rechnung (to) - umbläuen~~
~~the edge - Rand (die)~~
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~~the edge - Rand (die)~~
~~examen (to) - prüfen~~

~~examen (to) - leer~~
~~examen (to) - verdrängen~~
~~examen - vorüber~~
~~oh yes! - doch! - jetzt~~
~~outward - allwärts~~
~~once - mal (einmal)~~

In telegrams: ü = ue, ö = oe, ä = ae
 verstellte und separable verb) he introduced
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with me, but I suppose it is for Elsie's sake she stays. She can't see that the mite is fading, and it is her only consolation."

"She wouldn't knock scandal on the head by bolting from her home, you little simpleton;" was Mr. Merton's reply.

"And she can't quell it by continuing to live there?"

Mr. Merton shrugged his shoulders.

"If you ask me, I think Lady Sidney le Brun's is one of those unhappy positions which mean scandal and slander whatever she does."

~~old-fashioned - altmodisch~~
~~occasion - Gelegenheit (die)~~
~~over - vorbei~~
~~only - bloß~~
~~order (to) - bestellen~~
~~er fürchtete - he was afraid~~
~~that Gottes willen - for heaven's sake~~
~~um~~
~~das wird gemacht - that will be done~~
~~frühestens - at the earliest~~
~~es hat keinen Zweck - there's no purpose~~
~~es ist mir gut gegangen - I have~~
~~er mußte schon aufgedanden sein - had a good time~~

he must be frightened by me.

Stop us

Chicago has given us
With the features and face
If he'd pass a cigar
We'd consider him par,
Please, Leo, stop being contrary.

A fake sanitator called Tony
Knows no equal at throwing baloney,
A dignified Wop
Who shaved off his mop,
Aterno--we all know you're phoney.

A bundle of muscle and bone,
Quite a man, yes indeed, is Catone,
When he goes into his chorus
With Mortimer Morris,
We all wish that George was alone.

A Smoky City boy, P.J.E.
Is really up a tree
But, Paul there's no telling
How you'll do, without Helen,
You may as well wait, till you see.

A couple of boys, "Al & Skin,"
Each one an identical twin,
And right from the start
I couldn't tell them apart,
Cept when Al's out and Skin's in.

A Ping-pong fanatic, Grisez
Bought himself a brand new Chevrolet,
He drove it about,
'Till he wore the thing out,
Just looking for kids he could play.

"Orloski" is a pal who will dole
Out books every day, heart and soul,
But I wouldn't be surprised
If he'd never realized
What any dog will do to a Pole.

is not the
But just one who
That awful Phillips

A horse player by name of O'Brien
To cash a bit has been trying,
He gets all his tips
From Barnes' red lips
But loses, so Barnes must be lying.

Written for Jimmy Sheehan by M.M. &
plagiarized by your paper:

Suffered in Africa with Arabs & heat,
Hell in Sicily, smell of garlic and
feet.

Entered Italy inspired to the core,
Ended in Germany a Prisoner of War.
Here to stay for the duration,
Always suffering the anticipation
Nearer and nearer each day to
Madeline.

Just a rookie sent oversea,
Ignorant of the job out out for me.
Merely a soldier in a foreign land,
Money, heart and gun in hand,
Yet my mind was far away---with
Madeline.



and infuriating him,
float thro the air and tickle sleepers nose -D-
sneezes and blows over empty cans -E- stacked above
him. Cans -E- fall into pail of ice cold water -F- placed by
sleepers bed. Spray awakes sleeper.

TALK TIMBER TALES

In the winter one must have fire or else freeze. So--Oh, we receive the kind suggestion to chop wood if we want a fire. Thereupon we hie ourselves into the woods with an axe and saw, just like a real timberman--the similarity stops there---

The essential thing about woodchopping--and anything else we do here-- is an early start. It is easy to understand that bird and worm affair but these trees are pretty well established and will wait till at least noon, if we are late.

By the time we get to the woods we are cold so the boss and the guard quickly chop down a tree so that we might build a fire.

From the warm spot we select the trees we are to victimize and soon we set to work. The boss goes off to one side as he does not want to slow us down by getting in our way. It is not long before we can hear his rhythmic like strokes and the crashing of undermined trees.

As we start to hack at the sapling we realize our axes are not sharp enough, but added vigor can overcome that.

Twenty minutes finds the tiny tree with a well battered butt. It looks much as though an epileptic beaver with a bad case of hiccoughs had gnawed there. One spot, where by chance we had hit twice, is almost halfway thro so we are not discouraged.

After another session at the fire--we are cold again---we return to the tree and again start to work.

Finally our big moment arrives and stepping back we let out a mighty shout----"TIMBER"

With a soft thud the tree topples and happily we go back to the fire to warm ourselves again.

Johnny Appleseed had the right idea. Planting trees is much better than chopping them.

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Washing - ~~Sturmwasser~~ (no)
triple - ~~Keinigkeit~~ (his)
think (ly) ~~love~~ (ly) - ~~dick~~
therefore - ~~darum~~
tendency - ~~neigung~~
trash (th) - ~~unreinlich~~
totally strange - ~~wildfremd~~
~~brachte~~ ~~off~~ ~~brachte~~ (th)

think (th) - ~~denken~~ (position of
sich dacht)
und h. nicht ~~denken~~ an nicht

thing, matter - ~~Sache~~ (lie)
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Wings (W) - flügel, gans
White - weiß

~~Wing (W) - flügel (W)~~

Wäre (Adj.) of war

Wart bag - Luftkissen (W)

We begin each other - wir beginnen
weißt - wissen
weg - weinend

Unfortunably - leider

Wort - bis (am angetragenen)

Unpleasant - unangenehm

Unhappy - unglücklich

Uninteresting - langweilig

Underman - wärsche (W)

(W) words - Anführer
Wunderbar - wunderbar (ausgeg.)
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middle boy - in water tank (W)

~~Wunderbar - wunderbar~~

Wart (W) - wärts

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einen Vogel haben - to be crazy
bleibe im Lande und nütze dich redlich (proverbial saying)
Liebe: Stay in your country learn your living
wir haben eine Stelle frei - we have a vacancy
das freut sich - I'm glad
die Verlobung sollte gefeiert werden - the engagement was

er hielt ~~he stopped~~
spazieren fahren - to take for a ride (in the car)
ich habe kein ~~Abhang~~ - I have no idea
er legte sich hin - he lay down
die Kinder sind nicht müde sein - you must not be tired
zugleich - at the same time

(er müde is the so called subjunctive mood after muß he must) used in indirect discourse

Ansicht (see) - Bildung (formation)

Monday, 1st
~~Just done but for~~
~~I but in the~~
~~late (out of)~~
~~due to get the~~
~~from the~~
~~very good that~~
~~of the~~

~~at the~~
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opened milk at
this time. Had cup
of good American coffee
white opened. To be
late of full stomach
used Jell's can to
with American
of me long had

on east side of
after dinner Wednesday
water tank was
moved one lat. to other
one (near), the
Din - see next
B. - ground
Sup - tea ground
broken weather

~~gute Nacht~~

~~Cafe - Kaffeehaus (die) (lat. Caffeum)~~

~~Wohnung~~
~~das Zimmer (die)~~

~~Wohnort - Heimatort (die)~~

CHAPTER VIII.

~~Wohnort - Heimkehr (die)~~

~~Wohnort - Freunde (die)~~

~~Wohnort - gesund~~

~~Wohnort - gesunder~~

~~Wohnort - der gesunde~~

~~Wohnort - selbst~~

~~Wohnort - er kennt (er kann)~~

~~Wohnort - Haus (die)~~

~~Wohnort - er kann Englisch~~

~~Wohnort - (ing. 2nd. Case; der Hergens)~~

~~most~~ ~~make~~ ~~conclude~~ (die)
management - Betrieb' (der)
majestic - Taubner (der)
met - getroffen
magnificent - herrlich
museums - Muse'en (moltzungen)
madam - gnädige Frau
mysterious - geheim'nisse

~~correct~~ (to) - verbessern
conservation - Wertschaltung (die)
conductor, hall - Gang (der)

clean - sauber
customer - Kunde (der)
curtain - Vorhang (der)
candle, light - Kerze (die)

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splinter, etc. give a good
ing and washing with soap and
not water; esp. on the hands.
If this is done, then Iodine
can hardly do more.

Another seasonal thing you
must contend with, is colds, or
grippe. Getting into your sack
with three or four aspirins or
anti-grippe tablets, keeping
warm and sweating if possible,
will do a lot to shorten it.
Taking hot drinks, will warm you
and flush the kidneys, both be-
ing beneficial. A good sweat
will also help to loosen a cough.
Avoid chilling afterwards, or
while sweating. If you have an
ear-ache with this, try to
a,, by heat in some way to the
ear, either as sand bag, hot
water bottle, ect. Of course,
if the ear-ache persists, try to
see a doctor, if not, try to come
in.

This thing is getting sort of
windy, but two more things I
want to mention. A lot of you
have access to milk to drink.
This is fine and you need it.
After boiling or pasteurizing,
I want you to drink all you can.
The other thing is bathing. It
is queer what a rut one can get
into, especially, when it is
any trouble to get out. For your
own good, to avoid and to heal
infections, also bugs don't like
a clean carcass as well as a

by doing these things
It's a little late for Holiday
Greetings, so we are just going to
wish you a quick return to America
and your loved ones. This may be an
unusual way to close a letter, but in
our case, we believe it is correct:
"We hope we don't see you soon."
-----The Hospital Staff.
+++++
dirty one. Bathe when you can, and
keep your clothes as clean and neat
as possible. Always bear in mind, you
are still a soldier, and as such, a
United States G.I. is the best looking
soldier in Europe. Don't let your
family and yourself down. The best of
luck, men, and so long.

WILBUR E. MCKEE
Capt USA Med Corp
Senior American
Officer

...urses over again. Al-
...four hundred others.
...ip, news and experiences, they had
...as old friends met.

Did
Joe
...husband knew a
you know her?" "No, but a cousin of
took out, once knew a friend of his."

...arrange something like this:
"You know Jane K...tz?" "No, don't
Blow?" "Geo, the name sounds familiar"
girl by the name of Lotta Bull. Did
friend of the uncle, of some babe, I

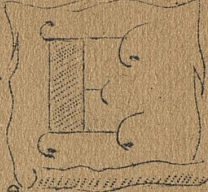
Then followed a twenty minute
and the two happily parted content
acquaintances.



discussion about Lotta Bull,
that they both had mutual

Two others, one an Ex-Munich Kom-
near Berlin Arbeiter, had a swell re-
are you?" "Fine Bill, what have you
for awhile in Munich and - - - - -"
we had a guard who - - - - -"
"One nite, Joanny, we got a hell of a scare
"Oh, we had them too, Bill, about two days be-
"Geo, I gotta go, I'll see you soon, huh?"
It's swell to hear about what you've been do-
here, Joann, See you later."

manicote, and the other, a
union. "Hey, Joanny! How
been doing?" "We worked
so did I in Berlin,



when about - - -."
fore - - - - -."
Sure thing, Bill
ing." "Same

The bank, handicapped by the loss of Chappie
bedridden in the grip of grippe, gave out in fine style
the newcomers firmly stated, that our small combine was



Lodge, who was
Many of
better
selves,
ualized

It seems that once camps and Kommandos settle them-
they seem much the same, and where one is bad it is eq-
in other good points.

It's fine to meet old friends again and to make new acquaintances, and
as long as we must meet so far from home, we are glad to see the boys here.

down
with a

Joon and Pen

How is it Alex Lusk-
ewich gets fatter
and Paul thinner---
and yet both eat
from the same par-
cel?

If Joe Byrne, Good
Time Charlie from
Charles City, does
not stop bidding
7 - clubs without
the combine will
give him a 3 club
response.

Self-made man, Bill Bier, horrors of
Unskilled Labor--was nabbed before
leaving the barge. Tell u your story,
Bill.

Tony LaCandia is grooming
his hair and mustache in
an effort to have Cliff
Moran take him to Calif.
to crash Hollywood.
Sheehan says he couldn't
crash the lobby of the
Belvidere Hotel. The ho-
tel is in N.Y.---They do
not have one in Union
City, N. J.

Giles--Keep Sweet--Lamb had better be
careful or a certain chorus girl from
home will take advantage of him.

If Rudy --Chapter Nine-- Gollomb does
not stop his bedtime stories, there
will be a mass meeting in 10 barrack.
By the way, Rudy, is Chuck Kouchnan's
singing as bad as his stew?

Time is turning the Silver Dollar into a
phoney buck --Clive Owle is a phoney
buck, too-- Exchange it at the bank,
George. A word to the wise is suf-
ficient. Do not be penny wise.

Do you object to the old fashioned
way? Tony --Birth Control-- Aterno
sez' "My country first, my hair sec-
ond and 3 youngsters per family."

Larry Williams is back from III - B
and is as pro English as ever. His
favorite dish now is Limey Beans.

Now we have two examples of that
"Great Big Olean Smile." Introducing
George Cottone. Smile for the guys,
George.

There was a post arbeiter named Huss,
Who each evening created a fuss,
As he enters the door,
He's greeted with a roar:
"Got any mail for me? Why, you must!"

Bill Harrington and Earl Conklin
have developed a new bridge system.
So far it has cost them a carton of
smokes and a dozen D Bars to play it.

Gilbert Clark is a Scranton develop-
ment. Is it true "It looks like rain
in cherry blossom lane," Junior?

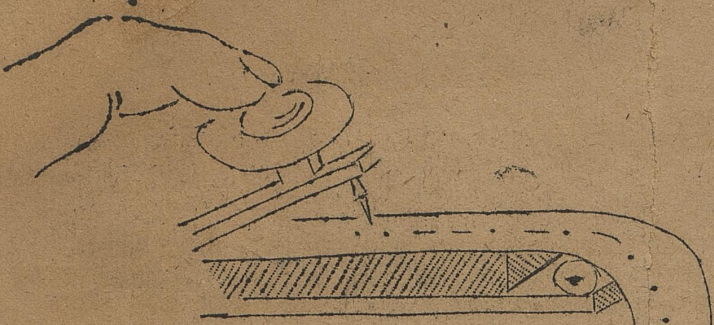
The mice in barracks 14 are bother-
ing Janson, Lynn and Earl. They
must be flying mice to get on
the top bunks so easy. The fel-
lows chase them on hands and
knees the whole nite thru. Build
a better mousetrap, someone, and
those three big game hunters,
mentioned above, will beat a
path to your door.

Timmerman has been driving the
boys at the Green Post crazy,

Since Red has started teaching his
accordionistics. If he gets a couple
more pleats on his stomach, he'll
look like an accordion.

O'Brien is tough on the room order-
lies. Scraps of discarded horse
systems cover the whole aisle in
front of his bunk.

The Medics had
a Parisian at-
mosphere New
Years Eve, from
appatizer's to
wrapped, Ulop-
ian Champaigne
bottles. Buess
they had to
dream the rest.



Letter from Kommando 1530 to
Red Cross Santa Clause, Gunnar
Drangsholt:
TO: The 2nd Ass't to the no Ass't
competent man:

Dear Gunnar Santa Clause:
Send me one dirty shirt, send
me ten sick man parcels-21-Med.
parcels(Clap gun) Where the
hell is our mail and we want
some comic books. Mickey mouse
preferred. Send 21 more Xmas
parcels. We want to celebrate
our comrade's Xmas too. 1 radio
and 21 pair ice skates(hockey
skates) 2 small bore shot guns
(they don't have to be big for
only want to shoot lane ducks)
hack saw, 1 wire cutter (to open
corned-beef) Would appreciate
kick-a-poo-joy-juice that you
have laying around (with stomach
pump included) Send us some
meats, we are short of meat. I
sure to send egg dye for Easter
1 case of TNT for Independence
(That should be enough) Oh ye
and don't forget the Xmas deco-
rations for next Xmas. Send reading
lamps with black-outs (we went to
nite school and can't read in the day-
time unless nite lamps are provided)
And please send us some saltpeter or
some "Jerkins hand lotion." We
think these requirments necessary
to make any Kommando successful.

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little Gag-Oins
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Mufflers for
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D. (Ager Dark)
like to hear from
romp together when both
pire State.

"Schlaifen ist besser" says
Eury. If practice makes perfect
he should be bedridden by now.

"I want a group," cried ex-group
leader, "Colonel Land" as his
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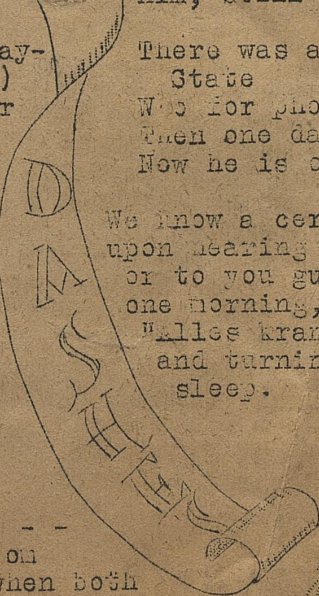
Whenever "Joe" Panepiance starts
talking about the para-troopers,
we know why they Chicago the Windy
City. His ambition is to drop in
from the sky on his return home,
think it's Capone trying
to get back in.

you are old and almost dead
a doctor says to stay in bed
got wild until you're red
hell for me, I'll bring you
ad. ---Schultze

Little Girl, Tommy Langdon,
got a birthday card from
life, Yep! She still loves
him, still---

There was a guy from a western
State
Who for photos did always wait
Then one day he got his wish
Now he is one happy fish.

We know a certain young man who
upon hearing the call, "Aufstehen,"
or to you guys, "Everyone up,"
one morning, brightly answered,
"Alles kranken" or "All is ill,"
and turning over, went back to
sleep.



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LETTER FROM THE AMERICAN DR.

Hallo Men:

We thought a few words of seasonal advice would fit in well. In the first place, greeting to all of you. There are more than a sprinkling of you will know or remember me. To them, an extra hand-shake.

Now, about taking care of yourselves. We are now preparing some small parcels of aid material to send out to the various Kommand groups. Use it sparingly. It has a very limited value. It's best place is to draw in infection to a center. After it is open and running, salve does little good. The more hot water, moist heat, or hot compresses, you can get to the area of infection, the better it will do. New scratches, cuts, good soak-



A LETTER FROM THE HOSPITAL STAFF TO AMERICAN POW'S

Dear Comerades:

There is very little new of interest from here at the hospital. Everything is going along just fine, and we on the staff will try to see that it continues to do so.

As most of you know, we have an American Doctor with us now, and we are confident that with his efforts, our little health problems will be ironed out with a minimum of difficulty.

We have a total of 138 American boys "Under the weather" at the present time. None of them are seriously ill, and most of them are getting along fine. We are proud of this, because our medical facilities are, necessarily, limited. We have, however, written Geneva in regard to what we need, and we hope that soon, we will have a little more to work with.

There's one little bit of advice that we at the hospital would like to give: That is, watch your own health, and whenever possible, make use of the First Aid Training you have had. We can help yourself and avoid hospitalization, and things.

Received my first letter from Mrs. Sgt. Allen the other day, in which she informed me that everything in Ohio was just fine, and that beyond all doubt, John W. Bicher would be the next President. This information should please all you "Buckeyes," and any of the rest of you voters who want to be on the winning side when election times rolls around again.

Other news was, that my cousin who is a draft dodger has pulled another successful "Evasion."

On yes, she also mentioned the fact that she has driven my car only 1500 miles since I left eighteen months ago. I'm still wondering if that signifies, that she's becoming a stay-at-home or that the "4F's" are equipped with their own cars. Stranger things have happened.

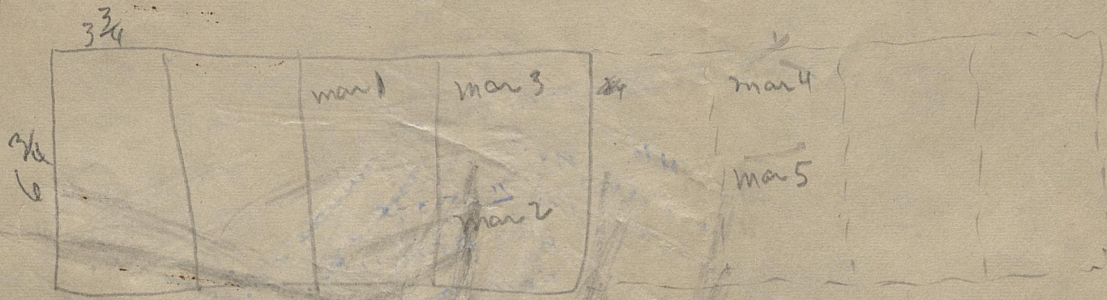
Do any of you readers know definitely when "Ozzie" Simmons, the negro flash, played with the University of Iowa. I have wag-ered a quart of "Canadian Club" that he's the boy who scored for Morris, the 1934 battle between the Hawkeyes and Buckeyes. Morty Olean Gigilo, says he graduated in 1938. We can't both be right.

For two months Johnny (March) Sprague has been yelling for a mouth-piece. Then he finds out that Rudy Gollomb was one of Chicago's best. Too late Rudy, The Red Cross got here on New Years day. I can't help thinking how funny it would have been to see Rudy sticking in the end of that trumpet, and Johnny blowing him.

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The faculty of the Hammerstein College has failed the students. In their enthusiasm, they graduated some men from II-B to II-B who were not ready for the promotion. Needless to say, they are taking the same old course again back with us, about four

ong with the forty flunks came
Bobbling over with gos-
the joint jumping (also us)
Conversations around
"So you're from Podunk.
think so." "How about
"My sister's..."

Biscuit Box



you had your breakfast anyway - gefriert nicht hast du
you could - du könntest (subj.)
you begin - du fängst an (anfänger)

he was glad - er freute sich
for the way - übrigens
will meet - wir treffen uns

it would have - es hätte
it looks good - es sieht gut aus
I hope - hoffentlich

CHAPTER VII.

it pleases you (me), you like it - es gefällt
in order that - damit dir (mir)

as if she were sitting - (subjunctive) Als
anything else? - ob sie nicht
at one o'clock - was noch etwas?
as if - als ob was eins

he introduced himself - er stellte sich vor
he leaves - er verlässt

Com. in - herbei
it is broken - es klappte
the man - (subjunctive)

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Where it's desired to show a word stressed, in letters or wide spaces, or underlined in printer's type, or in printing.

I'd like to know you know of a printer's quietest. I have bought the house, but rented it for a night.

X Brain analysis - $3 \times 4 = 12$
+ division (plus) division $3 \div 3 = 1$
- minus division $9 \div 3 = 3$
* multiplied division $3 \text{ from } 6$

In addition to single, double, triple, quadruple, quintuple, sextuple, septuple, octuple, nonuple, decuple, undecuple, duodecuple, etc. EX: - Quies Buch hatte fische den vielfachen Wert, this book was formerly with four times as much (or) (this book had four times as much as the original value).

By quies quies to quies quies we get the meaning of "quies" EX: quies of quies quies - of quies

(Mon.) Feeling bad tonight - severe cold in throat. Had a most awful night.

No. 11

99 Write me the tens - dreihundert, einundzwanzig
und fünfzig. In 100* up lassen mich für
und fünfzig. 20 to 100 sind
After breakfast & tea and lunch in optional
the left omitted - dreihundert einundfünfzig, or,
(but not beyond), dreihundert und vierundfünfzig,
tausend und einundfünfzig,
tausend und einundfünfzig.

however for they are written as I said
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neunzig) and not as I said
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a part of 1000 - hundert + tausend.

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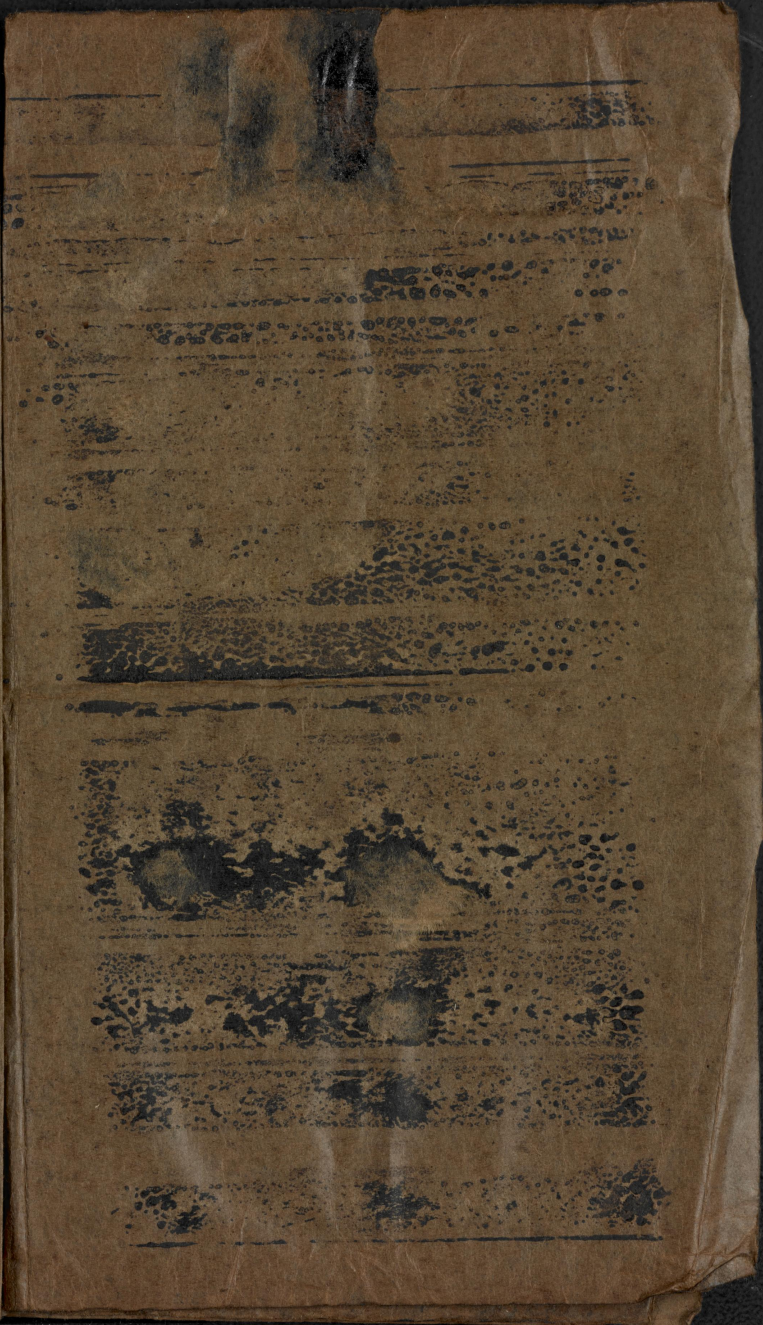
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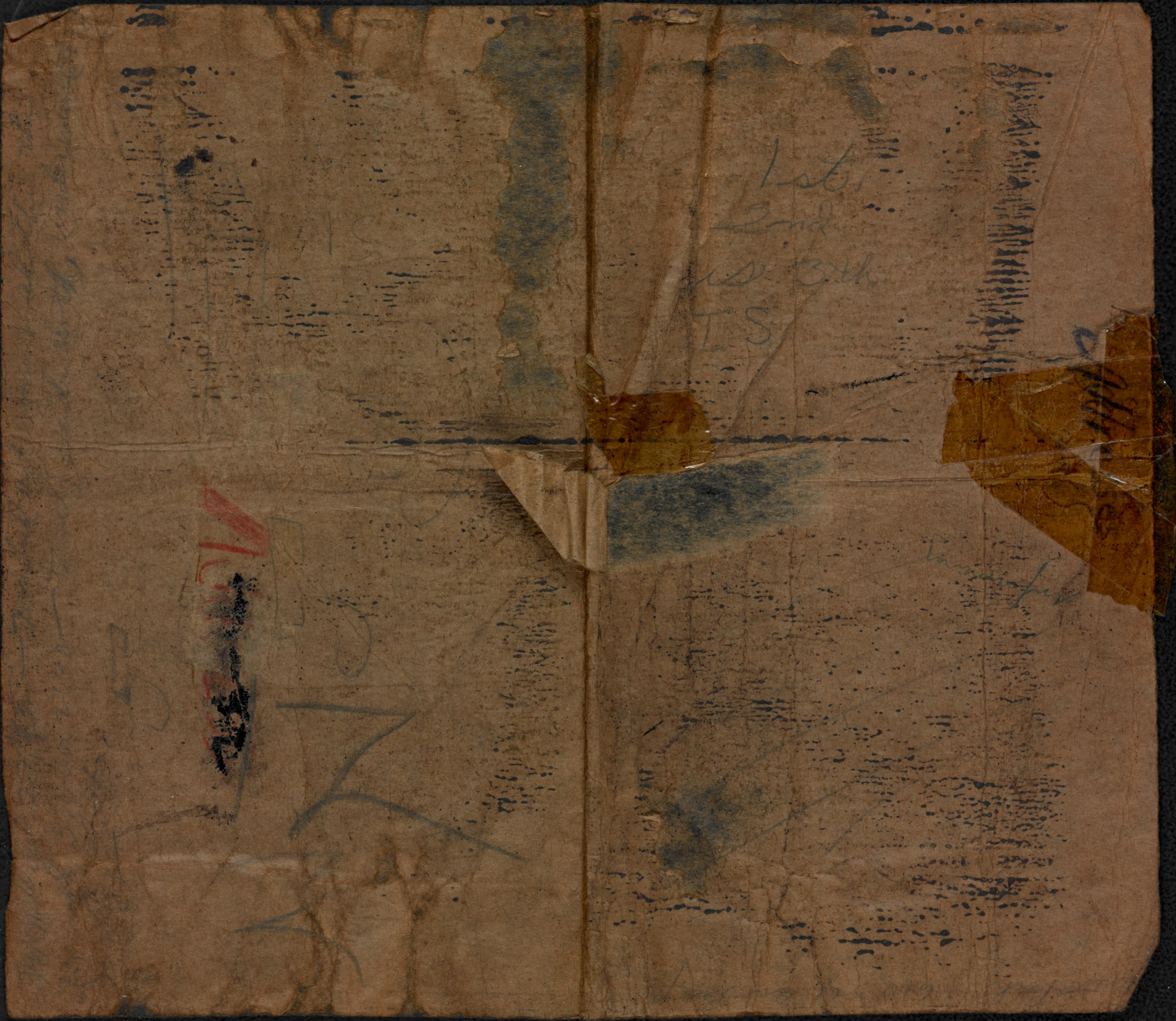
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The Merry Melodiers--The Hammerstein Hams in Disguise--present Kris Kringle's. Crazy Kapers, a Christmas production in the true spirit of the holiday.

Scene one finds us at the zero hour. Seven minutes to closing time on Christmas Eve. The last chance to buy that gift for the old maid next door. --Never thought the Old Hag would send me a gift--and behind the counter, a gum chewing--if personal packages come in--wise craking saleslady--Tommy Spagone--who will have you mourning for her poor befuddled males lingerie buyer--willour windland--

Next, we move to a quiet Christmas at home. Never a home was like this on any Eve, especially Christmas. Ed Sullivan leads the Viennese Choursters--African Branch--in a group of lovely carols. The choir consists of Lowell Lynn, Mort Bernhardt, Steve Mazer, Jack Chazon, Tom Spagone, Wilbur Windland and George York. They have been borrowed from Phil Spetalny's girl orchestra for this performance

The band with Laurence Jepson leading at the violin, Cliff Morisi, accordion, Tony LaCanalia, bass violin, Johnny Sprague, trumpet, Leo Earl, guitar and Har Dodwell, drums, proves its versatility playing tunes with the Christmas spirit and also jamming it out with Harlem fever.

"Light, Light, Light" Bernhardt conveys a patronly, elder lady in a manner only bettered by his imitation of a pregnant lady giving birth in a telephone booth. He will the latter for an encore, if he can obtain the necessary gimmicks, a bushel of oats and an egg beater.

I, myself, master the ceremony as only a silver dollar bar man is capable of??????????

Prepare to laugh and mentally return home, as nostalgic songs pluck at your heartstrings.

As you leave the theatre I can hear you saying, "Home was Never like This, Thank God."

To those on Kommando, the cast extends a hearty, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and sincerely hopes that all will soon be together holding a real American Jam session soon.

After so long a time, the words to "My First Introduction To You" have been written. Very good too. No doubt, many of you boys remember the tune written by our accordion player, Morisi. Words are by Spagone:

I gazed at the stars that were shining
up above
They're telling me to cling to you and
all you love
All heaven sang at My First Introduction
To You
So that you've made me a victim of
your charms
I'm wanting you to be forever in my
arms
I fell in love since My First Intro-
duction to you

I see you in my dreams, dear,
And you've left me with just one fear
That someday you will leave me
with all my love a shattered memory

So listen once, dear, and don't let
this ever be
A haunting memory that has no end for
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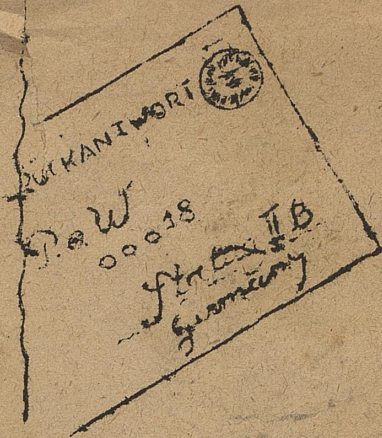
Opening on Thanksgiving Day and continuing up until Sunday nite we had our first exposition at Stalag IIB. a limited section in one of our barracks was enclosed in blankets, to simulate an art gallery, such as might be seen in any American or European City. Here, the efforts of many of our fellow prisoners were displayed for the entertainment and enjoyment of all.

The brilliant heritage of water color which Homer left us, found various expressions in the Stalag. For example, Schwartz displays lucid draughtmanship and selective realism in contrast to Wolff's romantic emotionalism. A painting of Wolff's which attracted much attention and approval was that of Capua as seen through the barbed wire.

The American sculptor, before the latter half of the nineteenth century, adds little to the significance of American Art. It wasn't until after the Civil War that American Sculpturing came into prominence. Pieces of modern sculpturing were contributed by Frank Trampus and Thomas Giordano. The works done by Trampus were "Mother and Child," "Zorack and the Kiss," and "Roden," Giordano's efforts consisted of a "Statue of Liberty," "Soldier's Bust" and a "Saint."

There was a fine display of pen and pencil sketches done by Hartmond. Most prominent among his pen sketches were those of Africa. The pencil sketch that caught everyone's eye was that of a reclining nude upon a divan. Also there was a splendid assortment of cartoons and comic sketches by Sil and Jobb, depicting scenes about camp and drawings gleaned from our American Comic Strips.

I have endeavored through this Art Exposition to bring you some of the work being done by POW's at the Stalag during their leisure time. It is hoped that those of you who desire to draw, will avail yourself of the material we have, and I am sure that you will be surprised at the speed with which you will recover your aptitude. --George Ellis Jr.



Dear P.O.W. Today I finished my Christmas shopping. Toys for the kids, shirts for Dad and a new dress for Mother. For you I bought nothing. I'm saving all my love for you and you will get your present when you return. We'll try to make every day a Christmas and every night a New Year's Eve.

Remember our last holiday together? You gave me my gift in three packets. The first was a cigar--only two for a nickle, you cheapskate--a box of matches and my ring. Every time I look at it, it winks at me and whispers. "Don't worry, he will soon be with you again."

We had fun that New Years too. You got a little tipsy and wanted to hit that nice old policeman who wished me a happy New Year. I was angry with you and sorta pleased because you were so jealous of me.

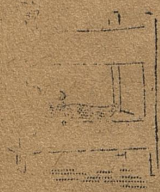
I must hurry to wrap my gifts and then off to bed. Take care of yourself, my darling and hurry home to me just as you were when you left. The same old crazy, irresponsible, loveable goof that means so much to me.

Merry Christmas, dear, and a Happy New Year.

As Ever
All My Love
Lana

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HORSE & PLOW



"Lucifer" and "Tooth-Less" always beat their gums when the trees knock over the wood-piles. It's better than beating some things we know--or do they?

GEIGENFELDE--Carl Anderson has been promoted to Mess Sgt. He specializes in soup potatoe and potatoe soup.

How come every time a broken watch is brought to those two repairers, Roach and Bowers, they say, "The hair spring is broken?" They ought to think of a new gag or spring. Efforts are being made to ship them two wagon loads of said springs.

Incidentally, we're also going to send Delprete a big 6 ft. by 6 ft. mirror, so he can keep himself looking beautiful. Poor guy

strains himself every morning trying to see all in that little hand mirror. "Vanity, Vanity, all is Vanity"

Stick Grenner and Al Mall are willing to try to grow some moss on these bald looking cow balls they call their heads. We have trouble with the same thing boys, we'll send you some of our "Special Indian Swamp Water" which is also good for heart trouble, constipation, bunions and a good drunk.

The cat's having a tough time of trying to decide who it loves the more, Young or Fisher. Myself, I's rather sleep on the floor.

Rayburn and Greeling are frying pan hounds. To be distinguished from chow-hounds.

What's this guy Myers got? He's always getting all the mail. Must be love. Huh?

We tried to get something on this guy Greewell but we can't. He seems too just an alright guy.

BOSSOW--They can't seem to make up their minds about the spuds: They play "Hide and Seek" and "Button, Button" with them, try to lose them and etc. The boys say they don't mind it helps fill up their spare time.

They say Wolf's got the itch--or it has him--from head to toe. Who's got an extra pair of hands to help him scratch.

The "Corp" is always racking Bailey's arm but the kid can't take it.

Poor Diaduk he can say "Hello" in three languages but he doesn't know which of the three he's talking. Might be embarrassing kid, watch your step.

The "Kitchen" inquest was a victory for our team. They ate the cake and the boxes.

DAGAROSE--Timber Jack" Plansky is getting to be quite a lumberman. He always was a lumbering kind of a guy. He can yell "Timber" now with the best and even know what it means.

"Georgia" is the favorite piece of music here. Well, I guess even Georgia is nice compared to this.

Classical music doesn't go too here. What's the matter "Long Hairs" did a barber get you?

Does OK with half eyes and black hair.

The boys go to sleep with "Jangled Nerves" and wake up with "Nightmares."

We hope Chancy Harris doesn't miss "Soko's" Ed Wynn, the fire chief with sound effects but has fire-chiefing for the boys in the Revier now and doing OK.

Lou Polansky "Goes" for that German coffee--like Mother used to make? "Iron-Pants" those cigs. It's a cliché that never smoke himself to death, but the boys might croak from overeating.

"Give me liberty or give me glasses" says Peldhausen, the company clerk. Guess it'll have to be glasses.

Dwayne Long says he's been cow taker so long that his teats are beginning to give milk too.

JERSKEWITZ--The boys picked up the German language. They understand--in the order of their importance, Essen, Feierabend-quitting time, Fertiz and Zuntag.

Leslie McManus-- "Boy, the are really ering me."

K. Grundon't mind crawling, when they striking, to see where they're going, that burns my arm.

Oesterreicher has them bad. One can see him play with them. The fleas-- in the wee hrs. of the night.



ALTE-RISTOW--Who gave Murphy the name of "Money-Maker" and why?

Para-trooper Fleming has won recognition as a wagon buster. One-a-week Fleming he's known as. That is alright, Kid. It's better than being a ball-buster.

The big mystery out here is: Does Shorty Ellis shave the hair off the meat before he cooks it, or vice versa?

Pvt. Hall and chow first sweating or steaming probably going to take the stuff home.

When it comes to singing Christmas carols Otto beats them all. Or is he getting the beating?

Lil Abner spent so much time in jail and in breaking out of them that he forgot to learn arithmetic. The boys added up the time he claims he sojourned in the house of sorrow and it comes to 34 years. "Ab" is only about 24.

Orchids to Glendon Holloway for those Sunday Morning Bible readings.

LANDECHOW--Why don't you boys "fix-up" that shell shocked fugitive from a brothel? You'll probably have to hold the candle for him too.

Funk and Mavis are great believers in the old adage: "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." It's no good for us, our stomachs can't get used to that stop-and-go eating.

Mizta puts the boys in aisles with his one man shows. after the war in the movies.

Vince onner pas We go in selves. notes some Does l

picture before going to bed make your dreams any sweeter, Pete? Or does it put muscles in your hands?

They say Cannady the Captain will need a G.I. truck to cart his stuff away. He saves everything from rags, to riches--See Horatio Alger--

BOHNITZ--For those who know tobacco best--It's Evans 2 to 1. He'll soon need that six cartons of butts Jack Rosendall won. Jack is doing fine at the Revier now.

He who laughs last is silly to wait so long. "The Mousehawk" isn't doing so good with his apple polishing. Smoke those cigs yourself, Baker, Max no difference.

"Lon Chaney" the Iowa Cornhusker, sure differs from the Lon who terrified our fathers at the cinema. His crazy poetry has the boys horrified.

WISHBUHR--The boys look like a real garrison outfit in Wishbuhr--they dress only in G.I. clothing now. To have any other on is "verboten". Oh well, "Alles is besser - - - -"

Walter, our representative from Kaintucky, is making the "Frees" these some pretty good g them.

are putting the Adams face to kick in and Adams buy some beer, but go. What's the matter, Nance do you not like beer, or do you just like those marks more?

Goodman is the Kommando's Rembrandt. His stuff is good enough to rate with any we've seen.

Corn-beef-gravy-like-Mother-used-to-make. S--- on the shingle to you birds, is the favorite dish out here. Anyhow, it sticks to your ribs--in fact, they're thinking of using dynamite.

One of the most tired boys out here is Wells. He sleeps until 2 PM Sunday afternoons, and then keeps everyone awake until 2 AM Monday Morning.

Junge and Chance are in the Revier, and doing OK. McArthur is out and doing OK, In fact all are OK, OK?

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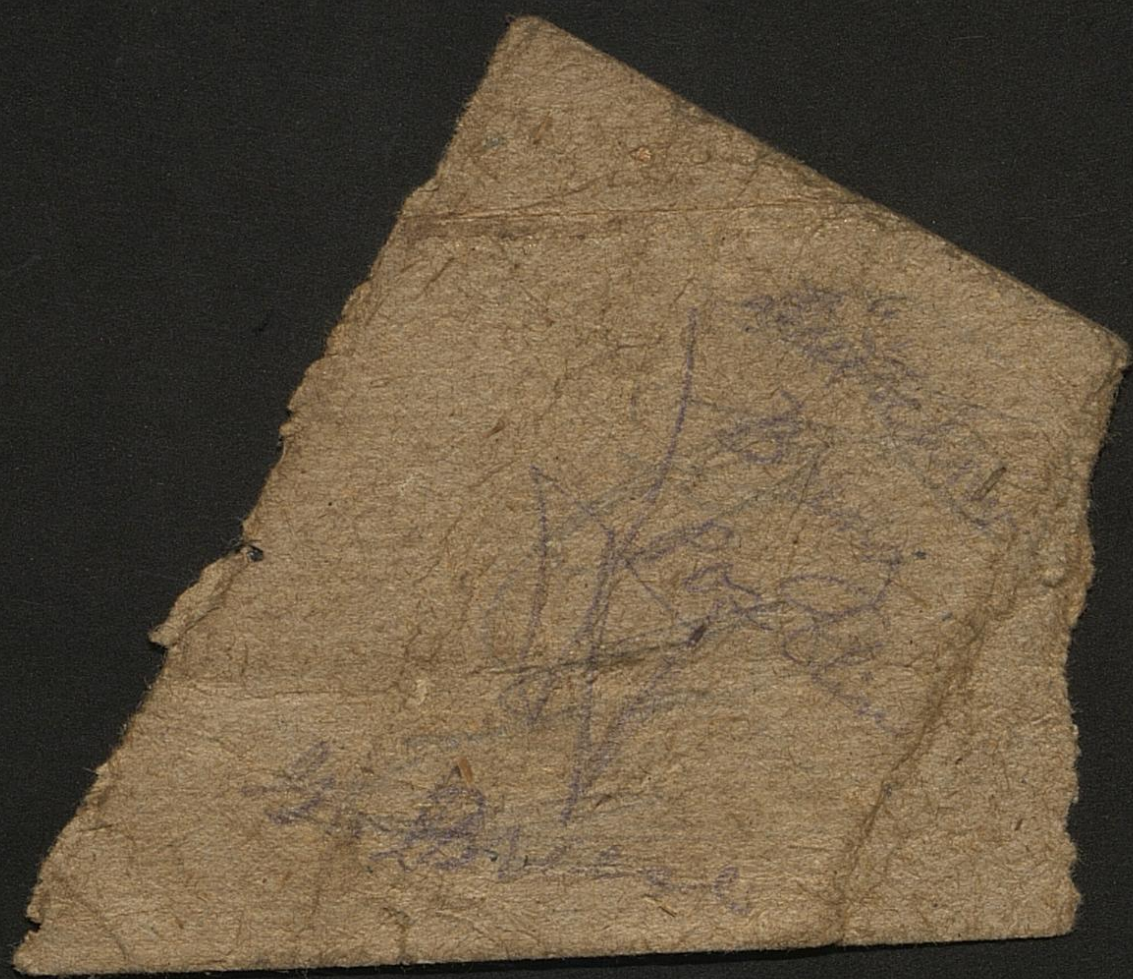
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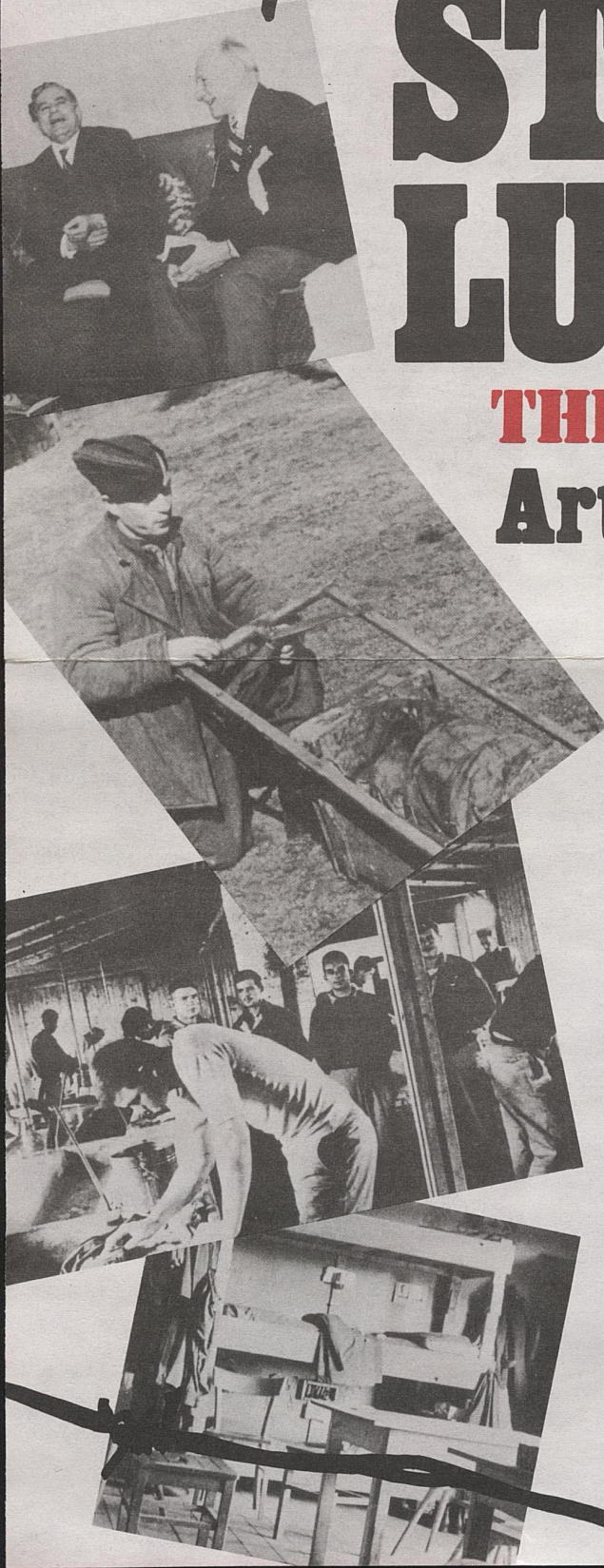
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STALAG LUFT III

THE SECRET STORY Arthur A. Durand

The mundane reality of wartime captivity was endless, but, oh, what the Allies accomplished with all that time on their hands!

Reviewed by Harold C. Deutsch

Among German prison camps in which British and American soldiers were held during World War II, Stalag Luft III has claimed particular attention. In America some of this derives from the movie *The Great Escape*, in which fact was freely mixed with fiction. Author Arthur F. Durand serves in the U.S. Air Force but is also a professional historian. In writing *Stalag Luft III*, he has greatly benefited from the unique way in which the inhabitants of the camp maintained records and managed to communicate clandestinely with their home countries.

Durand gives us a comprehensive survey of the experience of Stalag Luft III prisoners, from capture to liberation. Most of those who landed there had previously gone through Dulag Luft, the famed interrogation center for airmen near Frankfurt. In the earlier war period, the questioning of prisoners there was a somewhat stumbling performance with scant results. As scores of prisoners became hundreds and then thousands, procedures became increasingly sophisticated. They benefited much from the accounts of German prisoners who had escaped from Britain and described more effective procedures there. Durand concludes that, in later war years, German interrogators usually got what they wanted. Curiously enough, officers yielded better results than noncoms. They seemed to feel that their breeding and background demanded a verbal duel with their questioners.

“Country club”

Stalag Luft III provided the least unpleasant experience for prisoners in Germany. Harboring only officers and noncoms, it was not a work camp. With their Western prisoners, the Germans broadly observed the Geneva Convention, by which officers were paid. In this camp, they donated a third of their

salaries to their noncom fellows. Red Cross and family parcels supplemented rations to a point where the prisoners generally ate better than German civilians and even the camp staff.

Allied prisoners in other camps envied and somewhat resented what they heard about this "country club" establishment. Thus, it was by far the best equipped for sports. When weather favored, the playing fields hummed during daylight hours. The British favored cricket, rugby, and soccer; the Americans softball, football, and hockey. Competition was so fierce that the compounds would maneuver to have top players transferred. Equipment was lavishly supplied by the YMCA.

Stalag Luft III also had excellent educational and entertainment facilities, but these did not differ so much from other camps. What it most stood out for were plans and preparations for escape. There were 262 actual attempts, and many did succeed in getting out, though few made it out of German-controlled territory. A chapter on "Covert Activities and German Countermeasures" also deals in fascinating detail with the truly marvelous gathering of intelligence and its transmission to London and Washington. Much was data of real value for the prosecution of the war. It led to such highly successful air raids as the destruction of an officer candidate school and the flattening of a huge factory complex, extending five miles along a railway track. Information was communicated in such ingenious ways as coded messages in ordinary letters home.

Personal factors played an enormous role in making the camp both livable and a continuing contributor to the Allied war effort. Both British and American prisoners had extraordinarily capable and inspiring leadership. Some of this was the pure luck that newly arrived senior officers usually turned out to be natural leaders.

A certain chivalry

Parallel to this happy circumstance was the superior character of successive camp commanders and their principal subordinates. Most notable was Colonel von Lindeiner, a gentleman of an old school. His basic directive to the German camp personnel was a model of decency, humanity, and a certain chivalry. To newly arrived prisoners, he would say that he intended to treat them as he, in their place, would like to be treated. In the end, what was considered as his excessive leniency led to his removal, a court martial, and a 12-month sentence of fortress arrest. Small wonder that von Lindeiner and three of his top aides were invited to the 1965 reunion of Stalag Luft III prisoners.

Still living survivors of Stalag Luft III will be thrilled by many reminders of what was often the major, if not the most pleasant, experience of their lives. Prisoners who endured the greater hardships of other camps are bound to be less happy. Many of them have, over the years, already expressed a certain indignation that the histories of this camp give a false impression of prisoner experience in Germany.

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A sampling —

"Gambling and assorted schemes repeatedly appeared in spite of the fact that they were officially banned. In November, 1943, an officer from the Bronx introduced a numbers racket in Center Compound. The camp administration, Foodaco, and the camp newspapers all frowned on his scheme because it threatened to monopolize the medium of exchange — chocolate bars and cigarettes — and the first immediate result would have been the end of Foodaco. The Bronx promoter planned to net 10 percent of all the cigarettes and D-bars in the lottery, which would be run daily. Statisticians in the compound figured that the whole market, including the reserve held by Foodaco, would be in his hands within a month.

"Colonel Spivey repeatedly reminded the prisoners of the unique circumstances existing in a prison camp. And even though money had little value behind barbed wire, there were some unscrupulous men who would not hesitate to take every cent a fellow officer had earned while a prisoner. He stated that checks written against future deposits should not be given — there was no guarantee that they would be honored once the men returned home. He urged the men to use their common sense and keep all card games on a friendly basis.

"The men generally heeded his advice. There were exceptions, however. One man ran up a debt of five million cigarettes. Another example involved money but, if anything, it reflects the prisoners' basic sense of honor. As the end of the war approached, numerous pools were begun based on who could come closest to guessing the actual date. One such pool organized in Center Compound called for fifty individuals to put up twenty dollars each in the form of checks written on banks in the United States. The checks were handwritten, many times on old scraps of paper. The officer who won the lottery was able to cash all but two of them, netting him \$960.00 out of the \$1,000.00 pot. In fact, most debts incurred in camp seem to have been honored after the war."

