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### Let's Talk Turkey

## Thanksgiving Feast Features Gobblers Galore—And More

### Gen Hodess Extends Traditional Greetings

HEIDELBERG (Special) — Gen H. L. Hodess, USAREUR commander-in-chief, today issued the following Thanksgiving Day message to members of the command:

"For more than three centuries, Americans have set aside this day to give thanks for the many blessings on our land and our people.

"Traditionally, it is a festive day and here in USAREUR every effort has been made to insure its traditional observance. The real significance of Thanksgiving lies in our thankfulness to God for the benefits which we have received as individuals and as a nation.

"I am sure that each of us will find many things for which we give thanks. Collectively all of us in the United States Army, Europe, are thankful for the opportunity of serving our country; we are thankful for the bonds of friendship which exist between us and our NATO allies; we are thankful that together we serve the cause of peace and freedom—peace and freedom which we wish to share with all men of all nations.

"It is my sincere wish that each of you enjoy a Happy Thanksgiving Day."

BAD KREUZNACH—There might not be any Turkey-Day Classic to watch this morning. But there will be turkey nonetheless. In fact for Wheelsmen and their guests, there will be about six tons' worth.

Remember those delicious Thanksgiving dinners Mom used to make? That juicy, tender turkey with heaps of walnut dressing and that oh-so-necessary nip of cranberry sauce hidden in between the sweet potatoes and peas?

No one could leave the table until he had filled his plate at least two or three times. You just had to sample all the good things Mom got ready for the big feast.

Pies and Cakes  
Then there were the mince meat, squash, apple and pumpkin pies; the heaps of ice cream and cake, and just before you passed out, the piles of grapes and assorted nuts.

It is not fair even to mention those great days, except possibly to offer a means of comparison between the meals served then and the one which the division cooks have prepared for 2d Armored today. If their hearts and intentions are any varietical, the cooks could even take the place of Mom for today.

(They have been working for  
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## Gen Berry to Leave the Division; Will Join III Corps at Ft. Hood

WASHINGTON (Special)—Brig Gen John A. Berry, 2d Arm'd Div Arty CG, USAREUR, has been assigned to Headquarters, III Corps, Ft. Hood, Texas, according to an announcement made late last week by Sec. of the Army Wilber M. Brucker.

The announcement said that Gen Berry, who assumed his present post while a colonel just a year ago, will report to his new assignment in January.

The announcement of Gen Berry's transfer came jointly with that of Brig Gen William M. Breckinridge, Chief of Staff, V Corps, USAREUR, whose new assignment to 5th Inf Div Hq, Ft. Ord, Calif., will be effective in February.

Col Berry assumed command of 2d Arm'd Div Arty on Nov. 14, 1955, only six days after being assigned to Div Arty Hq from the 42d FA Gp in Baumholder, Germany, which he had until then commanded. In the division Gen Berry replaced Brig Gen John C. Hayden who was reassigned to V Corps Arty.

Brig Gen Berry was promoted to brigadier general on May 19, the day before Maj Gen C. Stanton Babcock, Div CG, was promoted to his present rank.

Born at Ft. Wadsworth, N.Y. on Sept. 5, 1908, Gen Berry entered the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1927. He was graduated in 1931 and commissioned a second lieutenant in the field artillery. From 1932 through 1941 he served as battery officer, battery Exec Officer, battery CO, battalion S2 and S3, and battalion adjutant in various field artillery battalions.

In 1942 he attended the Field Artillery School at Ft. Sill, Okla. and upon completion of the course was named battalion commander of the 916th FA Bn, 91st Inf Div, at Camp White, Oregon.

Before shipping overseas to Europe in October, 1943, Gen Berry attended the Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. From October, 1943 until September, 1945, he served as division commander. (Cont. on Page 8, Col. 3)



Brig Gen John A. Berry, Div Arty CG, whose reassignment to Headquarters, III Corps, Ft. Hood, Texas, has been announced by Sec. of the Army Wilber M. Brucker.

—Army Photo

## Col Barlow Named CCC CO; Hughes Takes 57th Command

BAD KREUZNACH — Announcement has been made at Div Hq that Col Rudolph Barlow has assumed command of CCC in Baumholder. Col Barlow replaces Lt. Col Merlin O. Tryon, command Exec Officer, who has been acting CCC since August when former CO Col

William R. Desobry was promoted to Div CO of Staff.

Col Barlow comes to the division from Com Z Hq, France, where he was G-1. A native of Gary, Indiana, he was commissioned a 2d Lieutenant in the Army Reserve in 1936 following his graduation from Michigan State College, where he received a bachelor of arts degree in Education.

### Regular Officer

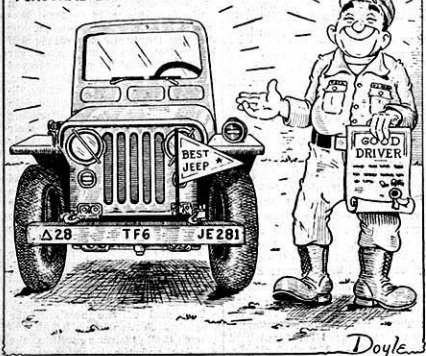
In 1942 Col Barlow was commissioned a Regular Officer and was promoted to captain. He served in the African, Mediterranean and European theaters of war for the next three years before returning home in 1945.

He attended many service schools before returning to USAREUR in 1954.

In 1948 he attended the Armored School at Ft. Knox, Ky., and in 1949 attended the Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

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### A GOOD 7th ARMY DRIVER IS PROUD OF HIS VEHICLE AND PERSONAL DRIVING RECORD.



Doyle

This is a reproduction of the 13th in a series of 14 cartoons for publication in Army newspapers emphasizing the importance of the new 7th Army credo for drivers of military and civilian vehicles in Germany. The series will be completed next week in "Hell On Wheels."

## AER Drive Acknowledgement

BAD KREUZNACH — Lt Gen Bruce C. Clarke, 7th Army CG, and Maj Gen C. Stanton Babcock, 2d Arm'd Div CG, early this week released letters of commendation and thanks to division personnel for their part in the Army Emergency Relief fund drive that was held throughout the division during September.

In extending his thanks, Gen Babcock praised the work of the fund-raising committee and the various commanding officers for their support of the drive, and thanked all division members for their "complete and unselfish" sup-

port of the Emergency Relief Program.

In a letter addressed to Gen Babcock, Gen Clarke said: "With the Army Emergency Relief — Army Relief Society Campaign period nearing completion, I am pleased to learn that the contribution of your organization to the campaign has surpassed the goal of one dollar per man. Accordingly, I would like my personal thanks conveyed to every individual who, by personal monetary contribution or promotional effort, made this fine showing possible."





At flag presentation ceremonies in Rose Barracks last Saturday when the 2d Armd Qm Bn was presented its battle colors, are, from left, Sp3 Larry L. McGregor, clerk in S-1 of the battalion; Capt Francis E. Scoopel, Bn Exec Officer, partly hidden; Sp3 McGregory, Sfc James R. Griffin, curator of the Div Museum, who accepted the flag for the museum; Maj Gen Kester L. Hastings, Army Quartermaster General, and Brig Gen W. Paul Johnson, Asst Div Cdr, who accepted the flag from Gen Hastings on behalf of the division. —Photo by Seaman

# WW II Colors Are Presented To Div By Army QM General

**BAD KREUZNACH** — The 2d Armd Qm Bn received its WW II battle colors here Saturday in ceremonies at Div Hq. The flag of the 2d Armd Supply Bn was presented to Brig Gen W. Paul Johnson, Asst Div Cdr, by Maj Gen Kester L. Hastings, Army Quartermaster General.

Gen Hastings, who, with Mrs. Hastings, is touring the various quartermaster units in USAEUR, was given full military honors upon his arrival here by members of Div

Hq and Headquarters Co. The general and his wife were met at the gate by Gen Johnson and Lt Col Roderick D. Eason, Qm Bn CO.

Following the presentation of the unit's wartime banner to Gen Johnson, Sfc James R. Griffin, curator of the division museum, accepted the relic for the museum where it will be displayed.

The history of the flag goes back to 1944 when the battalion was activated.

# Gruenther Leaves Norstad Assumes SHAPE Command

**FRANKFURT (Special)**—An estimated 5,000 civilians joined some 3,500 Army, Navy and Air Force troops here last week in a farewell salute to Gen Alfred M. Gruenther, retiring Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, during a formal inspection and review at Rhein-Main Air Base.

After 38 years of Army service, the general is retiring to become president of The American Red Cross. Effective last Tuesday, Gen Lauris Norstad, assumed supreme command in Paris.

Gen Norstad was air deputy to Gen Gruenther for about three years. Prior to that the 49-year-old general had been commander-in-chief of USAFE for about two years.

A general at 39, Norstad was commissioned a 2d lieutenant in the Cavalry upon his graduation from West Point in 1930.

For a time he served on Gen H. H. (Hap) Arnold's personal advisory committee and was assigned by the wartime CG of the Army Air Corps to do the air planning for the Allied invasion of North Africa.

In March 1943, the new NATO chief was made a brigadier general and nine months later became director of operations for the Mediterranean Allied air forces.

He stayed in this post until August, 1944 when Arn recalled him to Washington. There he had a dual role as chief of staff of the 20th Air Force and deputy chief of staff of the Army Air Corps.

Later in the war Norstad participated in the planning of the mighty B29 attacks on Japan which climaxed in the atomic bombing of Hiroshima.

# Old Folks are Treated At Hitching Post Club

**BAD KREUZNACH** — An elderly lady and a four-piece jazz combo: like water and gasoline, they are two ingredients you would never think could mix.

But mix they did — and well — last Sunday afternoon as The Hitching Post Service Club played host to 35 elderly German people from the Stadisches Altersheim in Bad Kreuznach.

The afternoon's festivities were under the direction of Misses Margaret Mondore and Eleanor Megale, Service Club directors, but it was the spirit of the old people themselves that made the party such a success.

The old people, living their last days in a community life of their own in the "old folks' home" were treated to a stage show and were served refreshments, not only by the club directors, but also by personnel of Rose Barracks who had dropped in for some relaxation.

Candy and Combo

It wasn't long before the elderly people were pecking around to see that no one was watching them as they dug into their individual boxes of candy and pie long before their feet started tapping in rhythm with the combo that played progressive jazz through most of the afternoon.

And it wasn't uncommon to see snow-white heads bobbing with the beat of the drums, or to catch their fingers tapping at the head of a music line in cadence with the pianist.

The whole affair was first planned, according to the club directors during September. Miss Saleck, secretary of the club, was interpreter for those few who did not speak English. But she too got plenty of help from interested young Volksmusik.

One of the surprises of the afternoon was the astonishment on Miss Saleck's face when she met her former high school teacher among the old people. The elderly lady had taught in the Bad Kreuznach school from 1903, when it was opened, until 1945.

Many of the visitors "cornered" servicemen for much of the afternoon to "compare notes" on the U.S. today as against the time when they had visited there years ago.

**U.S. Visitor**

One of those was Herr Alce Stich, now almost 80 and a former resident of Hohen, N. J., who served as interpreter for Kaiser Wilhelm II during WW I and as a First Sgt and interpreter for the Third Reich during the last war. He also "compared notes" on also telephone numbers. He said proudly that he still remembered his New Jersey telephone number even though it had been about 47 years since he last used it.

Another statesider was Frauline Maurer, a Bad Kreuznach seamstress, who had lived in Pittsburg



Miss Eleanor Megale, a director of The Hitching Post Service Club in BK, chats with an elderly German gentleman during the "old folks' party" held for residents of a BK Rest Home in the Service Club last Sunday.

—Borumato

for many years before returning to her fatherland to look after her ailing sister.

The oldest member of the group present Sunday was Frau Hedwig Elsaechel, 86, who still wears her Fraulien Neu, a former resident of Lauban Schlesien in the East German Zone was also present, though she said she was "only 80."

The casern was no strange place to many of the visitors. Herr Philip Bauer was a shoemaker for the German Army here during the war. He admitted, however, that there were few musical groups here prior to 1945 who could have outdone the Jazz Prophets, the "cool" group made up of division and Air Force personnel.

# Div To Hold CBR Training Classes

**BAD KREUZNACH** — The 2d Armd Div will conduct a monthly CBR seminar beginning Tuesday for designated personnel of the division.

In a circular released through the Div Chemical Section, it was stated that "in view of many training commitments by the division units and in the interest of economical use of manpower, the one day per month CBR seminar will be instituted in lieu of a 40-hour CBR course such as was conducted in the past.

"Only material contributing directly to CBR will be included in this course. Personnel attending will in turn be able to assist their commanders in fulfilling their responsibilities in this matter."

One officer from each of the combat commands, Div trainers, and Div Arty has been designated to attend the opening conference along with one officer and one NCO from each battalion in the division.

The seminar will be held in the conference room of division headquarters building along the general lines of the monthly G2-S2 conferences beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The goal of the seminar, the Chemical Section said, is to improve CBR training within the division and the latest doctrines will be taught. In this way, a chemical officer said, personnel attending will be better informed to teach their own units.

# Div Will Discuss Duties in Germany

**BAD KREUZNACH** — Germany, her place in the alliance of free nations, the recovery she has made from the havoc of war — these things are of vital concern to the U.S. and to its armed services.

Division T1&E will present a study of these and allied subjects this week in the regular discussion classes held throughout the division. Under the heading "Your Rights and Obligations in Germany," these classes will deal with the so-called "Forces Convention," an agreement signed by the U.S., France, Great Britain, and the German Federal Republic, which details the status of all Allied forces in Germany.

**All Personnel**

The Convention applies to all American military personnel, American nationals employed by the U.S. Forces and non-German dependents of both groups. American soldiers in foreign lands are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with local laws. Members of the forces who properly identify themselves upon request are not subject to arrest by German authorities.

However, in the event that an offender is apprehended during the commission of an offense, he may be restrained if no Military Police are present. On this matter, German courts have civil jurisdiction over the offender, though prosecution for criminal acts is carried out under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Travel and customs duties will also come under discussion by T1&E leaders throughout the division during the hours set aside for the current topic. Further, such matters as gifts, German taxation, and traffic regulations of the country will be mentioned.

Automobile insurance laws, regulations regarding currency, marriage laws, adoptions, hunting and fishing legislation — all of these factors, pertinent to the maintenance of an armed force in Germany, will be covered in this week's discussion classes.

# Tank Gunnery Winners



Following presentation of awards to winners of the Supplementary Tank Gunnery Program held in Baumholder recently, top winners pose for a group picture with Maj Gen C. Stanton Babcock, Div CG, in the general's office. From left, Capt Vincent M. Degen, third place; Lt Richard W. Stream, second place, and Sp3 Bentley D. Lippencott, first place, all of the 67th Tk Bn and winners in the M-48 firing; Gen Babcock; Pfc Patrick Halloran, 2d Recon Bn, first place; Pfc Neil S. Bland, CCC, third place; and Pfc John S. Davenport, 29th Tk Bn, second place, all winners in the M-41 firing.—Photo by Seaman

# Weekly Movie Schedule

**BAD KREUZNACH**

Nov. 22: Carousel—Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones; Nov. 23: The Scarlet Hour—Tom Nyron, Carol Ohmart; Nov. 24: The Creeping Unknown—Brian Donley, Margia Dean; Nov. 25: The First Texan—Joel McCrea, Jeff Morrow; Nov. 27: Navy Wife—Joan Bennett, Gary Mitchell; Nov. 28: Bhovani Junction—Ava Gardner, Stewart Granger.

**BAUMHOLDER**

Wagon Wheel

Nov. 22-23: The Birds and the Bees—George Gobel, Mitzzy Gaynor; Nov. 24: Blackjok Ketchum, Desperado—Howard Duff, Victor Jory; Nov. 25-26: The Revolt of Mamie Stover — Jane Russell, Richard Egan; Nov. 27: The African Lion—True Life Adventure; Nov. 28: Hill-die Crane — Jean Simmons, Guy Madison.

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**DEXHEIM**

Nov. 22: High Society — Frank Sinatra, Grace Kelly; Nov. 23: Ab-dul-Jah-Harem — Gregory Ratoff, Milla D'Amico, Robert Taylor; Nov. 25-26: The Mountain—Spencer Tracy, Robert Wagner; Nov. 27: Raw Edge—Tony Cuhayo, Yvonne De Carlo; Nov. 28: Moby Dick — Gregory Peck, Richard Basehart.

**MAINZ**

Nov. 22: The Harder They Fall — Humphrey Bogart, Roy Steiger; Nov. 23: Gaby—Lena, Carol, John Kerr; Nov. 24: The Come On — Anne Baxter, Sterling Hayden; Nov. 25-26: Great Day in the Morning—Virginia Mayo, Robert Stack; Nov. 27: Outside the Law — Ray Danton, Leigh Snowden; Nov. 28: The Conqueror—John Wayne, Susan Hayward.

**MANNHEIM**

Nov. 22-23: Johnny Concho —

Frank Sinatra, Keenan Wynn; Nov. 24: The Magnificent Roughnecks—Jack Carson, Mickey Rooney; Nov. 25-26: Alexander the Great—Richard Burton, Nina Foch; Nov. 27: Earth vs the Flying Saucers — Hugh Marlowe, Joan Taylor; Nov. 28: Magic Fire—Alan Badel, Rita Gam.

**WACKERNHEIM**

Nov. 22: Stranger at My Door—MacDonald Carey, Patricia Medina; Nov. 23-24: The Harder They Fall—Humphrey Bogart, Roy Steiger; Nov. 25: Gaby—Leslie Caron, John Kerr; Nov. 26: The Come On — Anne Baxter, Sterling Hayden; Nov. 27-28: Great Day in the Morning—Virginia Mayo, Robert Stack.

**WORMS**

Nov. 22: Outside the Law — Ray Danton, Leigh Snowden; Nov. 23-24: The Conqueror—John Wayne, Susan Hayward; Nov. 25: World Without End — Hugh Marlowe, Nancy Gates; Nov. 26: Crime in the Streets — James Whitmore, John Hodiak; Nov. 27-28: Mohawk—Scott Brady, Rita Gam.



Arnie Fiore had a little trouble with his turkey leg in the 3d AFA Bn dining hall last Thanksgiving. He's three now though, so it should be a little easier today. —Army Photo



Oh, God, we thank Thee that we may  
 lift up our eyes to Thee today;  
 We thank Thee we can face this feast  
 With honor and a spotless name,  
 And that we were a world distressed  
 Unselfishly and free from shame.

## Traditional Turkey Came From the Pilgrims: Even the Date's More or Less the Same

How come turkey?

On a cold day in December, 1620, Pilgrims landed on the bleak coast of New England and passed the winter with great suffering and

but also in many foreign countries by residents of those countries and by U.S. troops stationed there.

The celebration was first observed regularly in 1864 when President Lincoln issued a presidential proclamation appointing the fourth Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving, for the establishment of a form of government that would make for a safety and happiness and with a view of having the day observed every year thereafter.

And for most years since then, the day has been celebrated on the fourth Thursday of the month.

But for several years it was celebrated on such unorthodox dates as: a day in March, in 1785; the second Thursday in April; Feb. 19; Aug. 6, or the first Thursday in December.

The biggest confusion about the date arose, however, in 1899 when President Roosevelt set the official

date about, so they ate old Tom on both days.

But the day has been celebrated in New England more or less regularly for 300 years, and now by act of Congress, it will be celebrated annually on the fourth Thursday of the month. The traditional turkey hasn't as yet been enacted as the official bird of the official feast, but...



privation. Finally spring arrived and the new settlers planted their seed. It's growth was watched with great anxiety for on its growth depended the very lives and ideals of the colonists.

When fall came and the grain was cut and the harvest was found to be abundant, Gov. Bradford of Plymouth County proclaimed that a day of Thanksgiving should be held.

He sent out four men in search of game for the feast and they soon returned with a large number of wild fowl, most of which were turkeys. Since then the gobbler always has been considered a necessary feature of the Thanksgiving feast.

Today, Thanksgiving, principally because of its long tradition, is the most distinctively American holiday of all those observed in the United States. A legacy of our founding fathers, it today will be celebrated not only in the 48 states,



date as Nov. 23—22 states followed, but another 23 states held off for a week and celebrated it on Nov. 30.

Texas, Colorado and Mississippi apparently had something to gob-



Scenes like this where little Barney Corbin struggles gleefully with his man-size down, will be reenacted countless times throughout the world in the next month. Thanksgiving, traditionally the opening of the holiday season, is met by Santa's youngsters everywhere first with anticipation and good deeds, then surprise and joy. —Army Photo



Thanksgiving wasn't always a mammoth dinner in the casern dining hall. Here men of the 2d Armored eat their "turkey" in the European snows during the winter of 1944. —Army Photo



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# Know-Your-Library Week Coming

## Service Club Plans Extensive Program

**BAD KREUZNACH** — "Read any good books lately?" is a familiar conversational gambit which is about to take on a much broader meaning throughout 2d Armored with the opening this coming Sunday, of "Know-Your-Library Week."

The special week, which has been set up throughout the European Theater, will coincide with the observance of "National Book Week" in the U.S. The special book week will extend until Dec. 1.

Setting the pace for this division, Miss Pat Sather, librarian for Div Hq's Base Barracks, has outlined a week filled with the activities and highlights of a library. An event or program has been arranged for each day of "Know-Your-Library Week."

On opening day, Miss Sather has scheduled an open house in the library between 2:00 and 5:00 pm. This open house will enable visitors to get a general understanding of the library facilities, from its book collection to such facts as the extensive file of recorded music.

Capping the evening, at 8:30, a unique variation of bingo will be played, with books awarded as prizes.

Since printing is the vehicle for all books, this vital facet will be represented by a demonstration of block printing on the evening of the second day, "Know-Your-Library Week." The second part of the day's program will be held at Rod Davis' concrete discussion of modern jazz, highlighted by the playing of

As the book week ends, a party will be held. As a part of this phase of the program, entertaining "book caricatures" will be presented. In these caricatures, parts of books will be dramatized and acted out by those attending the close-out party.

Miss Sather has announced that several exhibits will also be shown during the week. Among them will be a display of photographs of the Bad Kreuznach area, an exhibit of posters designed by dependent school children, and a craft exhibit, featuring ceramics, leatherwork and copper enameling. Toys which have been constructed by members of the 2d Armored and which have been created as gifts for German orphans of the surrounding area will also be shown.

Miss Sather, as librarian and executor of the library week program, has planned the attractions of the period with an eye to interesting as many people as possible in the workings of the library, and in an endeavor to present a fuller understanding of the facilities and features of the library available to those whom it serves.

# Christmas Customs Light Europe

**Folk Fests Fill Germany; Mangers Adorn Italy**

**NURNBERG (SAD)**—The colorful old customs of Christmas light up the December calendar of events in Europe as each country celebrates the holiday with its own traditions and rituals. During the season, England has its costumed mummings and wassailing; Germany celebrates with markets, folk festivals, and children's processions; while Italy is famous for its many beautiful manger scenes.

The customs and celebrations are too numerous to detail in the list below compiled by the USAEUR Special Services leave activities section. Included are only some of the highlights, samples of the many attractions available for holiday travelers.

**AUSTRIA**  
St. Nicholas Ski Jumping (Innsbruck, Seegrube, Tyrol) Dec. 4.  
Ice Skating Revue at Eislaufvereinsplatz (Vienna) Dec. 23 through January.  
Cup of Strivia tobogganning (Altaussee) Dec. 26.

**BELGIUM**  
Brussels Illuminations (Brussels) Dec. 1-31.  
Winter Fair (St. Nicolas-Waes in Eastern Flanders, Belgium) Dec. 2-7.

**GERMANY**  
St. Nicholas celebrations (throughout Benelux) Dec. 5-7.  
Lover's Fair (Arlon, Luxembourg) Dec. 6.  
St. Nicholas' Day (throughout Holland) Dec. 21.  
Midnight Mass, illuminations, Nativity plays (throughout Benelux) Dec. 24.

**BRITAIN**  
Tolling the Devil's Knell (Dewsbury, Yorkshire) Dec. 24.  
Distribution of New Pennies (Sherborne, Dorset) Dec. 25.



This map shows the general area of recent Middle East fighting. Main troop concentrations were around Port Said, upper center, Mediterranean entrance to the vital Suez Canal. A United Nations force is presently occupying the area along with many other permanent arrangements can be made for a peaceful settlement of the dispute between Britain, France, Israel, Egypt and other Arab nations.

—AFPS Map

**FRANCE**  
FESTIVAL of Sainte Barbe, patron saint of Metz (Metz) Dec. 2.  
Saint Nicholas processions (Epinal, Metz, Nancy) Dec. 6.  
Fete of the Immaculate Conception—at nightfall, windows glow with candles lit by citizens faithful to a centuries old custom (Lyons) Dec. 8.

**ITALY**  
SKIING season (throughout) during month.  
Opera and concert season (Bari, Catania, Milan, Naples, Rome, Siena) during month.  
National Festival of Mountain Songs (Varese) Dec. 8-9.  
Santa Lucia Fair (Verona) Dec. 10-13.  
La Venuta—great bonfires are lit during the night throughout the Marche countryside. Inside the sanctuary and in the square in front, solemn religious services take place (Loreto) Dec. 10.  
Bethlehem Manger Scenes—most prominent of Italian Yule Observances (Acirole, Amalfi, Assisi, Brescia, Capri, Caserta, Chieti, Loreto, Noto, Naples (manger market), Piazza Armerina, Rome, Salerno, Taormina (in live drama), Turin, Torre Annunziata, Vico Equense) during month.

**SWEDEN**  
STORTORGET Christmas Fair (Stockholm) Dec. 1-20.  
St. Lucia's Day (throughout Sweden) Dec. 13.

**SWITZERLAND**  
St. Nicholas processions and festivals (throughout Switzerland) Dec. 4-8.

**CHINA**  
Hamburg Dom, pre-Christmas fair around the cathedral and largest North German folk festival (Hamburg) to mid-December.  
Christkindles markt—traditional Christmas market (Nurnberg) Dec. 4-25.

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**STUFFY**

# W. Germany Defense Plans Outlined

## 7 Ground Divisions are Planned by End of 1957

(Editor's Note: The following article, reprinted here through the courtesy of the United States Army, is a survey of German affairs issued by the Press and Information Office of the German Federal Republic, explaining how the new German military machine is being built. The subject was a topic in a recent series of division TIDE discussion hours.)

**BONN** — Defense planning under West Germany's new Federal Minister of Defense, Josef Strauss, will be determined by two guiding directions. For one thing, the military formations now being set up for all three branches of the service are of the very highest quality with regard to training, equipment and all other aspects. As a result, the original timetable may be somewhat slowed down. On the other hand, the plan for establishing in a comparatively short period the cadres of twelve divisions has been abandoned in favor of a plan which, during its first stages, calls for the setting up of seven fully manned and equipped divisions which will be able to reinforce effectively in the event of the next year the NATO shield for the protection of Europe.

Defense Minister Strauss left no doubt that he will do everything in his power to further strengthen the Bundeswehr's ties with NATO. In the words of the Federal Defense Minister, "The defense of the Federal Republic should also be the event of Germany's reunification. In his opinion reunified Germany without its western allies would be compelled to reduce its military efforts and shoulder twice the defense burden it now has to bear as a member of NATO. The Defense Minister would regard a German seaway policy between East and West as a response to the most unfortunate phase of German history."

By the end of 1957 the Federal Republic will get up three complete infantry divisions, two complete armored divisions, one mountain division, one airborne division, and a number of cadres for civil defense purposes. The total force to be brought up to full strength in case of emergency. The infantry and armored divisions will have a strength of 12 to 13,000 men each, which equals the size of the comparable divisions in the French army. German military circles hold that the U.S. Army, too, is near the point where this size is being considered the most practicable. The German infantry divisions will be well mechanized and have strong armored units attached to them. The armored divisions are scheduled to have roughly 220 tanks each and, in addition, special-purpose units for mine clearance and bridge-laying.

By the end of 1957, the Bundeswehr is to have a total strength of 120,000 men as against 70,000 originally envisaged by Strauss' predecessor. However, it is added that this number may be exceeded if an accommodation can be found in due time. This depends on the progress made in erecting new barracks and on the conversion of some of the barracks space now held by the Allied troops stationed in Germany. The Federal Defense Minister left open the question of whether the originally planned strength of 500,000 men would eventually be attained by the Bundeswehr. While holding that this figure was not to be regarded as dogmatic since it was conceived when the EDC plans were still under consideration, he stressed that the Federal Republic would contribute

its fair share to NATO efforts. Recent world events have emphasized during the past year the necessity of making NATO as viable as possible.

The Defense Minister dispelled the confusion which had prevailed in Germany and abroad about German tank procurement plans. So far, the Federal Republic has received a gift from the United States 1,100 tanks of the types M41 to M47. In addition to their training value, the more modern types of these American tanks are regarded as vehicles of considerable combat strength.

Moreover, the German Parliament has authorized the Federal Defense Minister to purchase 1,400 additional tanks, for which no orders have yet been placed. The members of the Bundestag Defense Committee will have an early opportunity to inspect not only the American-made M47 and the British-made "Centurion" (both of the medium class), but also the British heavy tank "Conqueror", the British counterpart of "Joseph Stalin III." German tank crews are now testing these three types of tanks for their speed, maneuverability, and penetration power of their guns.

In the long run, the Federal Republic hopes to develop a tank which will be lighter but faster than the tanks now available. This would not be in contradiction with the long-avowed intention not to manufacture guns of a calibre greater than 40 mm. The German-built tanks could mount cannon produced by Germany's NATO partners. Moreover, the Federal Republic would welcome the introduction of a standardized type of tank, manufactured by the member states of the European members of NATO. As an initial step towards its own tank production, Germany plans the manufacture, under foreign license, of armored troop carriers.

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The planned paratrooper school is to be located at Schongau in Bavaria during the initial period. German's airborne troops will use American parachutes and transport planes. At a later date, the German paratroopers will be equipped with transport planes of the type 'Noratlas', to be built in Germany under French license.

At present, the German Navy consists of 50 vessels. All of them, with the exception of five motor-torpedo boats and a few patrol vessels, were built before or during WW II. For the time being, the Navy too, will place its main emphasis on training. By April, 1957, the Navy's manpower strength is scheduled to number 10,000 men. By the end of 1957, the German Navy will probably consist of three motor-torpedo squadrons, four mine-sweeper squadrons, and one landing-craft squadron.

THE question of conscription affects all branches of the service, but particularly the Army, since the Navy will rely almost exclusively, and the Air Force in a very large measure, on professional soldiers and regulars.

The second conscription bill laying down a basic service period of 12 months recently passed by the Bundestag. It was read and was then referred to the defense committee. Its passage was almost assured.

# Swiss Tours Arranged

**Christmas in a Christmas Card**

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Brigitte Bardot, 21-year-old French screen star recently set British heads a-swimming on a visit to London. It might have been because of the sobriquet 'Naughty Girl' which she has assumed on the French stage.

—AFPS

At the present time the situation in the Near East suggests that USAEUR personnel who have planned to spend Christmas in the Holy Land will be forced to cancel their arrangements. Duty and non-duty travel of military personnel, DA civilians and dependents to Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Iraq has been suspended indefinitely, according to an announcement by USAEUR Headquarters on Nov. 17.

Non-duty travel to Athens, Greece and Rome, Italy is discouraged also. Anticipated large number of evacuees from Middle East areas are expected to cause critical shortages of hotel space in these cities.

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# Texas Writer Likes 'Lady' and 66th

## Mary McLemore Describes Her 7th Army Visit

**MARY MCLEMORE** — The United States Army and I have been on cordial terms for years. It fought for and defended me in World War II and Korea and I appreciated it. I have seen it in newsreels and movies, read "From Here to Eternity," listened to its bands and showered it with ticker tape in parades on Fifth Avenue. It was a pleasant relationship and comfortable, but distant, like the way I feel about Scotland Yard or radar.

Things are not that way for me and the Army any more. Since Henry and I have been with the Seventh Army in Germany I have met its men and women. My devotion has changed to appreciation. They are dedicated men who work hard and worry a lot. And they are nice men.

I have been carefully hoisted into and out of tanks. I have been snugly strapped into a helicopter and then handed earphones so I could listen to the radio calls. During a field exercise at Fort Benning, Ga., I was awarded the Medal of Honor in Korea but a fire so

# This Week's Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

The men of the 66th take Lady along on combat maneuvers. She lives in the field with them and carries on the lead tank next to the tank commander.

At home, Lady lives in a snug, solid brick house, built for her by the men of the 66th. The curtains to match the cavalry colors, tiny flower pots in the window, and is located on the edge of the petunia bed that she and the men of the 66th, the regimental prize for barracks landscaping. Before the Army and I became such close friends I never would have associated petunia prizes or handmade doghouses with fighting men.

There isn't a housewife in the world who couldn't take a lesson in civility and neatness from the Seventh Army.

I hope I haven't given you the notion that the 7th Army is just one big petunia-growing, housekeeping, pet-pampering bunch, and that any aggression on the part of the Russians will be met with nothing more formidable than a regiment of men waving brooms, brandishing watering cans, and worrying about dropping cigarette ashes on the battlefield.

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# CCC Stages Three Grid Contests As Football Conference Rolls On

By Pfc ED JANEWAY

BAUMHOLDER—Play resumed in the Baumholder Six-man Football Conference this week after a three week lay-off from athletics due to the Division and 7th Army FTX's. A total of three games were played within two days, as the schedule makers in the Div Arty S&R Officer raced to have each team complete its five game schedule.

The 14th AFA Bn dislodged the 48th AMB from the top rung in battalion-level play, as they trounced the hitherto unbeaten Medics to the tune of 19-7. The first quarter was fought on even terms, but in the second the Cannoners struck for two scores.

## Trophy Competition Tightens; Div Troops Closes on 12th AIB

BAD KREUZNACH — The 12th AIB continues to hold its lead in point competition for the Commander's Sports Participation and Achievement Trophy on the basis of figures released this week from

the sports section of Div Special Services.

The 12th is well in front in the point standings with a current total of 243½ points, having held this tally for over two weeks to maintain its lead.

However, for the first time in some weeks, the 12th is having its lead challenged by two fast-coming units, Div Troops Bn and the 94th AAA Bn, which have recently registered sizeable scoring gains.

At the last tabulation, Troops Bn held second place with 200 points but since then has increased its total to an impressive 220. The 94th has come up strong and quickly in the standings, pushing the second place Troops with a total of 215½ points, and securing its hold on third place honors.

Fourth place in the standings goes to the 42d AIB which has racked up a current total of 171½ points, according to the newly tabulated figures.

Representing one of the most surprising gains in the listings is the record of Div Trains. This unit has risen from ninth place in the standings to take over the fifth spot with a total of 156½ points. The current boxing competition has been noted as a big factor in Trains' sudden rise to prominence.

Currently, the 12th and the 42d are standing high in the novice boxing competition and sizeable gains in point compilations are expected for both these units in the future.

The Commander's Sports Participation and Achievement Trophy will be awarded the battalion that has garnered the most points in the tabulation at the conclusion of the volley ball tournaments which will be held in April. The trophy will represent the award for the 1956-57 sports season within the division.

The trophy has been set up as another in the list of incentive awards established to foster sports competition and participation and to stimulate interest in division activities. Previously, the Commander's Trophy was awarded on a semi-annual basis, but this year the award has been established as an annual prize to give competing units a better opportunity to build point totals over a more widely-varied schedule of sporting events.

## Court Clinics Set At Two Commands

BAD KREUZNACH—Special Services is conducting a series of clinics for the training of basketball coaches and officials in two key locations within the 2d Army Division.

Dr. Kenneth J. Wenger, Special Services consultant in the field of sports, is conducting the clinics, one at Mannheim and the other at Baumholder. This week the sessions were held in CCA's Barron gymnasium and next week, Mr. Wenger will move to Smith gym at CCC.

The clinics were planned as a method of training interested men in the division for the duties of either coach or official during the coming basketball season. Men who were able to procure official sanction from their individual units were authorized periods of TDY to whichever of the two clinic locations was closer to them.

The clinic at Mannheim was for the benefit of men from both the Mainz and Mannheim areas, while the Baumholder session will serve for the needs of men from Bad Kreuznach as well as Baumholder. The Smith gym clinics will be held from Nov. 26 to 29. Mr. Wenger has planned for the clinics to consist of both lecture periods and practical work. First the conduct lectures in the gymnasium and afterwards the men concerned will move out onto the gym floor for practical application of the theories they have been taught. Along with the practice, Mr. Wenger has scheduled demonstrations of various facets of basketball to serve as illustrations of the points covered by the lectures.

The men taking part in the clinics will be authorized to officiate at basketball contests lined up for the coming season throughout the division.

## Rod And Gun Club Moves Onto Post; 9 New Council Members Announced

BAD KREUZNACH — The Bad Kreuznach Rod and Gun Club has officially changed its headquarters and has moved into Rose Barracks. The club was previously located off post, but its new home will place it in the rifle range building of Rose Barracks, directly across from the post theatre.

Concurrently with the announcement of new quarters for the club is the introduction of nine new members are being admitted to the club and any personnel interested in becoming a member of the group may contact Sfc Rice at the club's new headquarters at Rose Barracks.

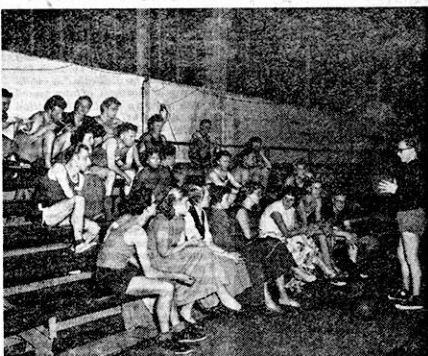
Meanwhile, a new council for the management of the club has been appointed. New president is Lt Col Curtis M. Banks, 7812

Army Unit, while the vice-president is Maj L. E. Shoffstall also of the 7812th. Lt Rodney O. Hexem has been announced as the club's new correspondence secretary.

In addition, M Sgt Almond J. Daniel will head the hunting committee, M Sgt David N. Wilson fishing; Capt. Samuel Stapleton; skeet; CWO Charles G. Rotter; publicity; CAPT K. H. Bailey Jr. entertainment; and Sfc William L. Vadnais, small arms, under the set up of the club's new council.

The Rod and Gun Club has also announced that the sales store operated in conjunction with the club is fully stocked with a line of supplies needed by enthusiasts of such sports as skeet shooting, fishing, hunting, and other outdoor sports which the club features.

## G-A Basketball Clinic Held



At a recent session of the German-American basketball clinic conducted under the auspices of the CCB S&R Office, this group of German students of the hard-court game is shown listening to a German coach. The purpose of the clinic was to discuss and demonstrate some of the fine points of the fast moving game. The clinics have been held at the athletic field house of Lee Barracks at Mainz. Large numbers of students from surrounding German schools attended. —US Army photo

## Tanker Takes Shoot: 29th Sgt Is Top Gun

GARMISCH (Special) — M Sgt Kyle L. Turknett from Co D of the 29th TK Bn in Baumholder has fired his way into the winner's slot in the recent skeet shoot held by the Garmisch Rod and Gun Club in honor of Veteran's Day. The match was an open shoot of one hundred all-gauge registered skeet.

Sgt Turknett of the 29th garnered the "High-Gun" trophy with a perfect score of one hundred hits out of one hundred shots and walked off with highest individual honors awarded for the entire match. Sgt Turknett was presented with a 20-gauge skeet gun in recognition of his perfect firing score. In all, over \$600 in awards were presented, with Turknett taking the champ's trophy.

Competition beneath Sgt Turknett was tight. Second place wound

up in a three way tie between firers who had scored 99 out of a possible hundred. In the subsequent shootout, Karlsruhe's entrant in the firing, Larry Stille, took runner-up honors to M Sgt Turknett's first place.

Sgt Turknett has been firing in skeet shooting competition since 1949, and is a native of Temple, Texas.

The meet which Sgt Turknett won was presented by the Garmisch Rod and Gun Club especially to honor recently celebrated Veteran's Day. The firing was done on a team basis with Garmisch, Berlin, Munich, Augsburg, Wiesbaden, Stuttgart and France being represented by five man teams. Twenty five two-man teams were also entered in the shooting. Thus Sgt Turknett bested a total of 78 firers to win "High-Gun" honors.



M Sgt Kyle L. Turknett, Co D, 29th TK Bn, winner of "High-Gun" honors at the Garmisch Rod and Gun Club Veterans' Day Open Skeet Shoot is shown here, at left, holding the 20-gauge skeet gun awarded him as first place winner. Second place winner Larry Stille of Karlsruhe who fired 99x100 to Turknett's perfect 100x100 is shown at right with his award. —Photo by Heim

## 78th, 42d Meet Today

MAINZ — Two of the top six-man football squads in the Mainz Conference clash today at Robert E. Lee Barracks in the 2d Army "turkey bowl" classic. The 78th AFA Bn and the 42d AIB are set to answer the opening whistle scheduled to sound at 2:00 pm this afternoon.

According to crystal-ballers in Mainz area, the 78th has garnered a one-touchdown favorite going into the contest. This prediction has been based on prior records. The 78th has been defeated only once this season, and that once by none other than the 42d. The 78th is looking for revenge and the game promises to be one of the hardest-fought in the conference.

## Wilson Romps

On the mud-clogged Baumholder gridiron the 16th Artillerymen rolled up a 25-0 victory over the 43d AIB sparked by the brilliant running of Burnice Wilson. Wilson took a pass from Marv Weaver and galloped 40 yards to a score in the opening minutes of the fray.

Wilson tallied once more in the first quarter, while the 16th lined up a 14-0 lead with two offensive threats by the opposition and kept the Infantrymen scoreless.



# Ten Novice Fight Champs Picked In Four Day Mannheim Slugfest



By Sp3 HAROLD LEE  
**MANNHEIM** — Topflight novice boxers from every post in the 2d Armored Div mixed it up here at Barnes Gym for four days to produce ten Division champs and a battalion championship team. Capacity German and American crowds flocked to Coleman Barracks on Nov 14-17 to watch the 12th AIB capture top team honors and mittmen from every command garner individual awards.

## Div Arty Stalker Hits: Wild Sow Bites Dust

**By Pfc ED JANEWAY**  
**BAUMHOLDER** — Sharpshooters Capt Thomas B. Jefferson, Div Arty S&R Officer, and Sp3 Raymond Whitlock, Btry A, 16th AFA Bn, are proudly displaying their latest game conquest: a 250-pound, seven-year-old wild sow. The men took advantage of an afternoon off this past week, following FTX "Sabre Knot", and proceeded out to Mannheim Hof on the Baumholder Ranges.

The hunting party of two departed from the Rod & Gun Club here at four o'clock in the afternoon believing that their luck would be best towards dusk. It was not long, however, before they sooner had they arrived at their appointed destination and parked the car than they were up to their necks in what Capt Jefferson described as such "unbelievably dense thicket and underbrush that you couldn't even see your own foot."

Suddenly they heard a loud rustling from within the heavily

## New Div Titlists Gain Crowns As Crowd Sees Tense Action

**MANNHEIM**—Two of the champions in the 2d Armored Div novice boxing matches at Coleman Barracks fought only once for their titles: the remaining eight fought a preliminary match during the four-day meet.

Bill Hayno, 41st AIB flyweight champ, and James Maynard, light heavyweight, fought only on Saturday night to win top honors. Hayno defeated Leroy Oliveira, the only other flyweight contender, while Maynard defeated Jessie Morris of the 94th AAA, who was in turn eliminated a third light-heavy contender, Dick Nelson, 17th AEB.

Ed Ware, bantamweight champ, advanced to the finals by defeating David Dobbs, 12th AIB. Ware, in a match fought the night before the finals, started slowly, fought an aggressive second round, then slugged it out with Dobbs in the third for his victory.

Featherweight titlist Walter Davis, Support, won his first division on Nov. 15, the second night of competition, by decimating Bob Calhoun, 57th Tk Bn, in a wild epic that foreshadowed Davis' Saturday night fight.

Terry Martin, lightweight champion, fashed his winning form on Nov. 16 with a second-round retirement of Willie Brewer, 41st AIB. Brewer kept it close in the first round, but Martin dropped his opponent twice in the second round for counts of eight and nine, getting the nod in 1:38 of the second.

Robert Robinson, light wel-

terweight champion, spent 1:09 seconds in the ring on Nov. 15 as he scored a TKO over Al McGee, 29th Tk Bn.

Welterweight champion James Joyner, 42d AIB, faced Charles Iverson, 41st AIB, on Nov. 16. Joyner unveiled a razzle-dazzle style to overcome Iverson, who was throwing solid punches all the way. Joyner had more difficulty than his following night's opponent, Earl Wallace, 12th AIB, who followed Joyner on the 16th with a first round victory over James Prince, 94th AAA Bn.

Robert Walker, 43d AIB light middleweight titlist, fought a careful match on Nov. 15 to decision Stanford Smith, 17th AEB. Both fighters kept up a fast pace all the way.

Bill McKean, 42d AIB, started his drive for the middleweight title by defeating Bill Davis, 41st AFA Bn, on Nov. 14. After a first round on close-in fighting and frequent clinches, Davis was disqualified for repeated holding and low blows. The fight was stopped in 1:33 of the second.

Gussie Williams, 67th Tk Bn, won his heavy weight berth in the final by retiring Anthony Andrews, 17th AEB, in 1:55 of the second. Williams, taller by a head than Andrews, had too much power for his opponent and punished his way to the title with a steady onslaught of punches that left little doubt as to who the new heavyweight champ would be.

wooded area and Whitlock went to investigate. Meanwhile, Div Arty's S&R Officer made his way down to a lower point and awaited whatever his companion might send in that direction.

Minutes later a black mass loomed up in the six power scope of Jefferson's 308 Winchester. "And there was the hog making her way towards the clearing, big as life," recounted Jefferson breathlessly to a stilled audience gathered around the hoarth of the Club that evening. "She froze in her tracks and then tried to run towards me. I just let her have it about six times until the old thing finally rolled over dead."

The kill represented a major triumph for Jefferson who earlier this fall, in the same vicinity, had bagged two 80-pound piglets. The Captain has little more than a month left before he returns to the 21 but strongly implied that the hogs won't breathe freely until his leaves.

The welterweight bout was the evening's most exciting, as James Joyner, 42d AIB, blasted his way to an upset victory over Earl Wal-



Joltin' Jim Joyner of the 42d AIB caught a slashing left hand with speed and steady drive to walk off with the welterweight championship of the 2d Armored Div at the novice boxing finals at Mannheim. Joyner won the title by a unanimous decision over Earl Wallace of the 12th AIB. The classy southpaw has been fighting for a period of only four months but has punched his way to the welter crown by a series of solid wins all through this fall's boxing competition. —Photo by Baldwin

lace, 12th AIB. Wallace had obliterated preliminary competition on previous nights and was eager for a quick victory in the finals. Both opened fast, Joyner taking body blows, but Joyner was more effective than his opponent in the third. Joyner scored heavily on Wallace's face in the second, but was caught once and staggered. The second round ended with a flurry on the ropes, both men exchanging hard rights and lefts. The pace continued in the third, with both fighters all over the ring and each other. Wallace scored with effective infighting, but neither could gain a permanent advantage. At one point in the round, Wallace knocked Joyner into the ropes with a hard right. Joyner bounced off the ropes and, Hollywood style, caught Wallace with the same punch to stagger him. The decision went to Joyner, who had taken the first two rounds.

Bob Walker, 43d AIB, scored a convincing victory over light middleweight contender Joseph Thornton, 67th Tk Bn, winning in 1:29 of the third. It was Walker all the way in a match which saw Thornton go down three times, once in the second and twice in the third. Thornton showed real courage in



Roy Williams, 78th AFA Bn, ducks a roundhouse right thrown by Robert Reese, 14th AFA, during competition at the division boxing finals at Coleman Barracks. The finals went on for four nights of slugging, scrambling competition which resulted in the naming of ten division champs. —Photo by Hill

the third, refusing to call it quits until the referee stopped the fight in 1:29 of the third.

Bill McKean, 42d AIB, took the middleweight championship in a close fight with Roy Williams, 78th AFA Bn. The first round was close, with McKean getting the nod. Williams came up with two good blows in the second, but ran out of gas in the third, while McKean came on strong.

James Maynard, 142d Arm Sig Co, lived up to his advance billing with a vengeance as he completely overpowered Jessie Morris, 94th AAA. Maynard flashed outstanding speed and power to drop Morris twice in the first minute and a half of the third, while the second time for good. Morris was counted out in 1:19 of the first.

The final bout of the evening paired Gussie Williams, heavyweight from the 67th Tk Bn, against George Quinn, 12th AIB. Williams assumed the offensive early in the first round and kept it. Quinn, the shorter of the two, tried to get inside Williams' long rights and lefts, but got hurt badly in the attempt. Williams dropped his opponent in the first for a nine-count, then scored a knockout in 1:15 of the second.

Further umpiring chores came to Whitlock in the form of assignments with the Baumholder Little League where his decisions always went unquestioned. He enjoyed working with the Little Leaguers, he confided before his departure from here.

Whitlock forsook arbitrating on the gridiron to don 48th AMB football togs this past fall. The former high school star from Oklahoma scrimmaged with the team prior to the season's opener and then heard an SOS from the soccer field.

The Medic booters needed some one to fill the goal position and felt that the squarer form of the Airborne-trained S&R NCO would be the answer to their problems. Whitlock turned in two stalwart performances at the net, before hanging up his sweat suit.

## 48th Loses S&R NCO: Whitlock Leaves Div

**BAUMHOLDER** — The athletic community here was dealt a blow this month with the departure of 48th AMB S&R NCO John Whitlock for a new assignment with the 10th Sp Forces at Bad Tolz, Germany. Arriving in the battalion last December from the 77th Sp Forces at Fort Bragg, N.C., the Sergeant quickly became an integral part of the Div Arty CCC athletic program.

This past spring and summer, when he was not directing the fortunes of the Medics' diamond nine, he could be found taking part in umpiring in the battalion-level league. A staunch umpire bawler whenever he was in the 48th dug-out and also a heckler with an unending line of chatter to opposing players, Whitlock was a favorite target for bench jockeys around the league as "one of the men in blue."

# CCC Celebrates Its Organization With Parade and Sports Activities

BAUMHOLDER—CCC observed its Organization Day on Nov. 16 with a full dress parade and review in the morning, followed by open houses at each of the battalions, culminating in an afternoon of inter-battalion games and competitions on the Baumholder BOQ Field.

Participating in the morning review, held on the Post Football Field, were Hq Co CCC, the 66th and 29th Tk Bn's, and the 43d AIB, all units of the command. Also participating were all personnel from Co C, 124th AOB, the 14th AFA Bn, and the 48th AMB as well as a detachment of troops from the French Army's 7th Tunisian-Moroccan Regt and a detachment from the Idar-Oberstein Troop Artillery School of the German Bundeswehr. Music was provided by the 2d Armd Div Band and a band from the German Troop School.

German newspapers in and around Baumholder early this week called the parade "one of the most" colorful ever held here. They said it was the first time German and American troops had marched side by side in a major review ceremony in Baumholder.

**Reviewing Stand**  
2d Armd Div CG, Maj Gen C. Stanton Babcock was in the reviewing stand flanked by Col Rudolph Barlow, new CO of CCC, Lt Col Merlin O. Tryon, CCC Exec Officer, Col Karl Conner, Div Exec Off, Col Andre Pleadard, CO of the French Camp De Baumholder, Col Ignaz Pesmuller, CO of the Bundeswehr Troop Artillery School, and Herr Gustav Adolf Hiel, Landrat of Kusel.

Commander of troops for the parade was Lt Col Victor Wallach, CO of the 43d AIB. With the 66th Tk Bn Color Guard were the flag bearers of the British 2d Royal Tank Regt stationed at Belsen, Germany.

Arrayed on either side of the field were six M-52's from Btry B of the 14th AFA Bn and six M-48 Tanks from Co A, of the 29th Tk Bn. The howitzers and tanks fired a salute to open the program which was terminated by low-flying

L-19's of the CCC and Div Artillery Air Wings, flying in review. At the ceremony, Capt Thomas A. Fife, CO of Co A, 29th Tk Bn received a plaque from General Babcock for his company which attained the highest score in last winter's Division-wide tank machine gun firing.

During the open houses at the 21st and 66th Tk Bn and the 43d AIB, visitors viewed static displays of equipment as well as battalion trophy cases. Lunch was served to all visitors in the various mess halls after which the athletically minded repaired to the



Members of CCC stage a speed dressing contest during the command's Organization Day festivities in Baumholder last week. —Photo by Wigley

## History of CCC is Recalled; Beginnings Date Back to 1917

BAUMHOLDER—CCC, which celebrated its Organization Day here on Nov. 16, has a history dating back to May 15, 1917. As Combat Command R it was constituted as Hq 41st Inf. Regt and organized at Fort Snelling, Minn., on June 20 of that year.

CCR was inactivated in 1921, and was reactivated almost 20 years later in 1940. It was assigned to the 2d Armd Div at Fort Benning, Ga., and designated as Hq of the 41st Armd Inf Regt. Battle honors for the command during WW II included Algeria, French Morocco,

BOQ Field for the contests of brawn and skill.

A three-legged race, a human tug of war, and a wheelbarrow race were among the competitions. The drill teams of the three CCC battalions matched each other in manual of arms drills. When the point scores had been tallied up at the end of the afternoon, the 29th Tk Bn men were declared the overall winners and were presented a cup.

The final event of the day was a formal dress ball for officers and their wives at the Baumholder Officers' Club.

# GA President Will Speak At 'Die Brucke' Gathering

BAD KREUZNACH—The newly-organized German-American Club in Bad Kreuznach, "Die Brucke," will hold its first social gathering next Thursday evening.

The place of the gathering has been announced but will be news in "Hell On Wheels."

The club, formed in September by members of the 2d Armd Div and prominent Bad Kreuznach residents, was instituted "to promote better understanding and friendship" by means of an exchange of mutual cultural ideas and activities.

The gathering Thursday will feature a talk by Chester M. (Jim) Wright, honorary president of the Federation of German-American Clubs from Heidelberg.

Mr. Wright, who was one of those instrumental in forming the federation, was elected its first president in 1947. At that time the federation listed 12 clubs among its members. Today there are 31.

He since has been elected permanent honorary president of the federation for his efforts on behalf of German-American relations.

In 1949 the federation became the first such group to organize German-American cooperation in the field of traffic safety.

It introduced the first independent voluntary effort to carry on the fight against infantile paralysis when it established the Pfennig Parade in 1950 under Wright's direction.

In 1951 the federation introduced the sale of Christmas seals as a means to fight Tuberculosis, again under Wright's direction.

During the summer of 1955 the club was organized into the Pfennig parade, providing a healthy and happy vacation periods for West German children in summer camps during the project "Happy Summer for the AIB."

The Bad Kreuznach group held its first formal meeting on Sept. 28. The first general meeting of the club members was held Oct. 2. In the three meetings since then the Constitution and By-Laws of the club have been adopted.

As an organization growing from its present 150 members the officers said they hoped to divide the club into interest groups for discussions of music, industry and other subjects where the two peoples can exchange their ideas.

In electing officers of the club, it was decided that there should be an American and a German clubholder for each position. The American officers are: Charles Laser, president; Douglas Taguchi, vice-president; Fred Ver Yelde, secretary and Lee Murphy, treasurer. German officers are: Herr Hermann Pieper-Cordes, president; Herr Hermann Ganz, vice-presi-

dent; Herr Walter Raber, secretary; and Fraulein Doris Schates, treasurer. Fraulein Sigrid Pauly was elected executive committee member-at-large.

Membership chairman is Joseph McAuley, a bi-lingual. The president said any questions on the club could be answered by calling BK Mil. 8335.



Col Rudolph Barlow who has been named new CCC CO. —Army

## Col Barlow Takes Command of CCC

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He came to USAEUR after studying at the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Among his decorations, the colonel holds the Silver Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Legion of Merit, Purple Heart, British Military Cross and the Italian Cross of War Merit.

In another command change that was announced, Lt Col Frederick K. Hughes took charge of the 57th Tk Bn in Mannheim. He comes directly from duty in the U.S.

A native of Holyoke, Mass., Col Hughes received his bachelor of science degree in chemistry from the Univ. of Massachusetts in 1940. He was commissioned a 2d lieutenant upon his graduation and served in the ETO during WW II before being taken prisoner. He was in the ETO from February, 1945, until April, 1945.

He has attended the Armor School at Ft. Knox, Ky., and the Psychological Warfare School at Ft. Bragg, N.C. From 1954 to 1955 he served as president of the Psychological Warfare Board at Ft. Bragg.

## Wheelmen and Guests Will Be Served More Than Six Tons of Turkey Today

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about three days to prepare today's just-like-home feast, with all the ingredients that Mom has at her disposal back in Potukin, U.S.A. Heading the list of culinary delights will be a pound—yes that's right, one pound—of tasty, tempting gobbler per man—and woman too, for that matter, since wives and subjects where the two buddies in division chow halls today if they so desire.

Seven Courses  
But that's a start—hold on to your bicarb.

Six other courses of taste-pleasing "vittles" have been prepared to keep tubby old Tom the "Kirk" from getting too plump. In addition to zesty salad dishes, mess hall patrons will be served everything from shrimp cocktail, with sauce, mixed nuts and a cake.

Other morsels on the menu include creamy mashed potatoes topped with giblet gravy, glazed sweet potatoes, buttered fresh green beans, fresh vegetable salad

with French dressing and hot rolls and butter.

Hors d'oeuvres will be abundant in the form of celery hearts, stuffed olives and sweet pickles. For dessert the 2d Armored gourmets will have a choice between mince meat pie or pumpkin pie with whipped cream topping and cups of hot coffee to polish it off. Then for relaxation after dinner (and after this one you'll need it) there will be an abundance of grapes, oranges and pears to keep the candies and nuts company.



Herr Meyer, Bürgermeister of Baumholder, presents an oil painting of the town to Brig Gen John A. Berry, Div Artillery, CG, in ceremonies in the general's office recently. —Photo by Edinger

## Div Arty Presented Painting

BAUMHOLDER—An oil painting of Baumholder was presented to Brig Gen John A. Berry, Div Artillery CG, here Nov. 12 by Herr Meyer, Bürgermeister of the town, on behalf of the residents of the German city.

The presentation of the painting, by the contemporary German artist, Jakob Schug, represented a gesture of appreciation to the personnel of Div Arty for their assistance in the community projects. The presentation was made in the general's office.

## Gen Berry . . .

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in the ETO, first as Assistant Chief of Staff and later as the Exec Officer of XV Corps Artillery. Upon his return to the U.S., Gen Berry was Assistant G3, Hq AG Staff, Washington.

He left the States again in June, 1948, for Nanking, China, where he was assigned with the JAS in the Advanced Organization and Training, G3 Section.

He served with JUSMAG and from February, 1949, until August, 1951, with General Hq in FECOM. In January, 1949, he went to Japan; in May, 1951, to Korea, and on June 1, 1951, returned again to Japan.

Two months later he sailed back for the U.S. to attend the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. for one year. Following completion of the course he stayed on as an instructor and later served as secretary for the college.

In June, 1955, Gen Berry was assigned to USAEUR and the command of the 42d FA Gp.

Among his decorations the general holds the Bronze Star, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Croix De Guerre with palm and Silver Star. He took part in the campaigns of Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Central Europe, Ardennes, and the CCF Intervention.

No successor to his position has been named.

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