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## Red Cross Supply Depot War Flares Anew In Firefight

One Wounded In Morning Fracas As Many Shots Fired; Impersonations Reported

LEGHORN — Violence flared up again at the Red Cross Depot early yesterday morning, April 9th, when unknown persons opened fire with automatic weapons on civilian and MP guards stationed there.

At 5:15 a. m. someone with a machine gun or other automatic weapon began indiscriminate firing at the guards which resulted in one civilian being wounded in the hand and stomach; however, it is believed that his wounds are not serious.

Eight or ten rounds were fired at the guards in a period of 10 minutes and the fire was returned, but it was reported there was no evidence of anyone who originated the shooting being hit.

The noisy conduct of the civilian guards and the almost nightly discharge of firearms in the vicinity of the depot has alarmed civilians living nearby and has interfered with their sleep.

It has been reported to Penbase Press that the civilian guards have, on occasion, attempted to represent themselves as Americans and have molested women who must pass their posts to get to their homes.

The obvious stupidity of anyone attempting to rob the depot to open fire before entry causes soldiers and civilians alike to question the source and reason for these frequent exchanges of gunfire.

## Civilians Shovel Fast As Truck Wreck Spills Napthene On Highway

LEGHORN — Pandemonium reigned among the Italians Tuesday afternoon on the Marina di Pisa highway when a trailer-load of naphthene broke away from its tractor and smashed through a concrete electric line pole in the vicinity of the Port Intransit Depot. The paesanos, hardly disturbed by the damage done to the trailer and pole, were hastily trying to ladle up the precious naphthene with shovels before it could run out into the ditches or soak into the ground.

## Medical Administrative Personnel Arrives Here

LEGHORN — Anxiously awaited and badly needed, 24 Medical Administration Corp officers arrived from the States for duty in this theater aboard the Italian luxury liner, Vulcania.

The medics will be distributed to the needy hospitals throughout the theater. 26 more MAC's have been asked for to bring the TO to normal.

## Deaths-Accidents In PBS This Year

Accidents . . . . . 696  
Deaths . . . . . 24

### THIS MONTH

Accidents . . . . . 35  
Deaths . . . . . 1

Let's Keep This Score Down!!



The colors pass in review as the troops of PBS marched down Viale Regina Margherita in celebration of Army Day last Saturday, April 6. The parade was led off by the troops of Headquarters Command under the Direction of Colonel Virgil R. Miller. (Photo by Sam)

## Leghorn Troops Go All Out, Celebrate Army Day In Grand, Glorious Style

First Peace Day Celebration In 5 Years Gives PBS Troops Cause To Put On Good Show

Leghorn had its share of Army day fanfare as well as Caserta, Rome and the 86th Division, and none of the others could sport more than the Peninsular Base Section troops as they went all out to celebrate the first peace-time Army day in years.

## Army Waivers Are No Duty Lighteners

Signers Who Stay Subject To Military Duties First

LEGHORN — Waiver signers are still in the Army and subject to all military regulations and directives, according to Colonel Harrison Schaler, PBS Chief of Staff.

As it was explained, there can be no double standard in the Army; either you are in it or out of it; however, it has always been Army practice to excuse those persons doing highly skilled work from drill and training when it interfered with their work, or when they are obviously not in need of the training being given.

Many persons in PBS who signed waivers to carry on their jobs until replacements could be found have been more than a little disappointed because they have been required by recent directives to drill and train in basic military subjects of which they are well aware after many years of military service.

Quasi-military service can not be tolerated by the Army, and personnel who have signed waivers must recognize that they will be required to do full military duty, they must be soldiers first, and anything else next.

## GIs Saw Way Out Of Calaboose

LEGHORN — On Sunday, April 7th, two GIs sawed their way out of the Allied Police Station in typical detective story fashion. Occupying one of the two rooms reserved for «guests» of the police department, the bars on the window were cut with a smuggled hacksaw while other prisoners looked on.

Marking the first escape in this manner from the Allied Police Station in Leghorn, corrective measures have been taken to assure that no further escapes will take place in the future.

The parade day started out as if rain would put a cramp on the scheduled festivities and a few scattered showers did fall as troops were in process of forming preparatory to the parade, causing the men to turn the muzzles of their carbines downward for a short time, but by the actual time for the parade column to move the sun was out bright and clear and provided a good day for marching, as well as a real field day for amateur photographers, which lined the whole parade route in unusually large numbers.

The parade formed near the former Italian Naval Academy on Viale Margherita and carried to the reviewing stand to the south of the Palace officers hotel. The parade was led under the direction of Colonel Virgil R. Miller, Commanding Officer of the Japanese-American Combat Team. Preparatory to the moving of the column Colonel Francis H. Oxx, Commanding Officer of the Peninsular Base Section, inspected the troops as they lined up along the avenue. The Colonel then took his place in the reviewing stands with various section heads of the Peninsular Base Section and the troops passed in review.

Nearly all units of PBS were well represented as orders were carried out that all troops not necessary to security and fatigue participate. Colored service troops and the 442nd Infantry Regiment were out en masse and put on a show of marching that would make any garrison troops in the States envious. Headquarters command troops, led by Capt. Fred Hazard, led off the parade followed by the Car Company, Ser-

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## Headquarters Command Moves To New Location;

LEGHORN — The Headquarters Command of PBS has moved from No. 7 XXVIII Via Ottobre, further down the street to a new location formerly occupied by machine records unit and across the street from the villa which was used until recently by the 345th Engineers.

As a result of the move the telephone number of the executive officer has been changed to Value 334.

## Redeployment May Be Speeded Up As Much As Two Months

Radio Broadcast Says All Men Eligible For 30 June Discharge May Be Alerted Immediately

Word was received through a radio broadcast received from American Forces Network, Munich, Germany, Tuesday afternoon stating that all Ground Forces personnel who are eligible for discharge as of June the 30th are eligible to be alerted as of this date and the 30th of June, and in all probability will be called into staging areas and separation centers immediately. If this plan is carried

out it will theoretically speed up the redeployment situation by as much as two months.

No absolute and definite confirmation of this statement was forthcoming, but the radio station in Munich was contacted by long distance telephone later in the day and the statement was read over the telephone to the editorial offices of Penbase Press just like it was broadcast over the air. The radio station credited the release to the Associated Press. No further information was obtainable.

## Nisei Receive Decorations In Army Day Fete

LEGHORN — In conjunction with the Army Day celebration, fifteen men of the 442nd Japanese American Combat Team received Silver Stars, Bronze Stars and Army Commendations at an informal award presentation ceremony at the Regimental Headquarters in Leghorn April 6, 1946. Lt. Thomas M. Kobayashi, Regimental Adjutant, read the official citation and Colonel Virgil R. Miller, Winneconne, Wisconsin, Nisei Combat Team Commander, pinned the medals on the soldier's jackets and clasped their hands firmly while extending his personal congratulations for acts of heroism and gallantry in action. Colonel Miller, who wears the Legion of Merit, Silver Star and Bronze Star under his most cherished Combat Infantryman's Badge was designated to lead 7,000 troops from the Peninsular Base Section including the 442nd Regimental Combat Team through the city of Leghorn in a formal Army Day review last Saturday.

S/Sgt. Taskashi Uyeno, Fort Lupton, Colorado, machine gunner of Company C, and S/Sgt. Charles I. Tsukishima, Casper, Wyoming, Browning Automatic Rifleman, of Company C were awarded Silver Stars for gallantry in action in the 442nd's last campaign in northern Italy.

S/Sgt. Paul H. Nomura, Farmington, Michigan, rifleman in Company B, and 1st Lieutenant Roy O. Warren, platoon leader of Company L, received the Bronze Star. For heroic achievement in action and which cost him his life in Italy last April, T/5 Hiroshi Sugiyama received the Bronze Star. Colonel Miller extended his deepest regret as he presented the award posthumously to his brother, T/Sgt. Shinobu P. Sugiyama of Company K.

First Lieutenant Roy K. Fitamata, Asst. Surgeon, Pueblo, Colorado, was awarded the Fifth Army Commendation. 92nd Division Commendation was extended to Pfc. Hiroshi Odoi, Co. C, Seattle, Washington, T/Sgt. Masao Takahashi, Co. C, Stockton, California, Pfc. Isamu Satogata, Co. C, Honolulu, T. H., Sgt. James T. Shimbori, Co. C, Denver, Colorado, Pfc. Masaki Saito, Co. C, Honolulu, T. H., Pfc. Seiji R. Takahashi, Co. C, Stockton, California, Sgt. Yukio Y. S. Sunata, Co. C, Fort Lupton, Colorado, Sgt. Shigeru Fujinami, Co. C, Meriden, Wyoming and Pfc. Shoji Suzuki, Co. C, Lake Villa, Michigan.

This now brings up the 442nd's Decorations chart as follows:

Congressional Medal of Honor	1
Distinguished Service Cross	49
Silver Stars	335
Bronze Stars	826
Legions of Merit	17
Distinguished Service Medal	1

## Lost, One Piece Of Salami; Reward

Anybody seen any lost Salami running around on four legs lately? Salami is one of those long hot-dog kinds of pooch and has been AWOL from his organization since March 23. He has seen 10 months service with the unit he is in and it is thought he may



be a PW somewhere and is being held against his will. He has brown hair, sawed off legs (slightly bowed) and a little bell around his neck

in place of dog tags.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of the truant is requested to telephone Value 961 or 962 and a reward awaits information leading to arrest or apprehension of said AWOL Salami.

## Former Cop Catches Up With Gas Selling Thief

LEGHORN — The old adage, «Once a policeman always a policeman», proved true when Major Stanley Beatty, AC Public Safety Officer, caught a GI in the act of siphoning gas from a truck.

Driving along a little used road, the major was curious about a truck being parked in such an isolated spot. The soldier and civilian black marketer, who was also apprehended, were so confident and so intent in their labors that they did not notice Major Beatty until he walked up on them and asked what was going on.

## Keep Fingers Crossed, No Fires For Week

LEGHORN — With the advent of warm weather it seems that fires are taking a rapid decline. Firemen at the Central Fire Station in Leghorn reported business is «molto adagio», with not a single fire reported in the past week.

Army and Division Commendations	112
Soldiers Medal	12
Italian and French Awards	14
Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation	6
Meritorious Service Unit Plaque	2



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## PBS PERSONALITIES

### Horseman Deluxe



Sgt. Fred Mabe

Non-commissioned officer in charge of the 61st QM Riding Stables is Staff Sergeant Fred Mabe, of Crowell, Texas.

Sgt. Mabe was born in Medicine Mounds, Texas, and has lived in most of the western states. He attended Crowell High School, where he won three letters on the varsity football team for the four years he played. He won a scholarship to Texas Christian because of his ball playing, and he attended that school for one year.

He then decided that he wanted to go into business for himself, so he took up dude ranching and bronc stomping in rodeos. He operated ranches in Arizona and California, and rode bucking horses and bull-dogged steers in rodeos all over the west during rodeo season. He made several trips East as a rider with various western outfits.

Sgt. Mabe was inducted in March, 1942, and was sent to Fort Riley to the Cavalry Replacement Training Center there. Upon completion of training in Fort Riley he was sent to join the 3rd Cavalry Division stationed at Fort Myers, Virginia. He trained with the 3rd Cavalry in Virginia and Georgia and then transferred to the 10th Armored Division in Fort Benning. After considerable training with the 10th he was sent overseas, landing in Oran in January, 1943. He fought throughout the North African, Sicilian, and Italian campaigns as a tankman. He was on convalescence in the 7th General Hospital in Sicily after the Gila beachhead.

After the war he was assigned to the University Training Center in Florence as NCO in charge of the riding stables there. When the school was closed he was assigned the task of operating the Pen-South Stables in Naples and when that organization was dissolved he came to Leghorn to his present job.

As NCO of the 61st Stables he is credited with the supervision of the 44 high-bred horses stabled there at present. Sgt. Mabe arranges and presents the International Horse Shows that have been featured in Florence and Leghorn for the past few weeks. At present he wants to get into show business, being a showman at heart and by profession. Working with him at the 61st are five men picked for their riding and training ability and among the six of them they have jumped the horses there into a

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### Combat Civilian



Mr. Max Ginn

His most pleasant occupation, after considerable combat as a medic during the war, is to separate GIs from the Army and to place them into respectable jobs at decent pay, states Mr. Max Ginn, Administrative Assistant for the Civilian Personnel Division, AG.

Mr. Ginn is the first soldier to become a civilian in Leghorn to accept the position he now holds. Last November he began assisting military personnel in filling out applications for available jobs.

Although born in Philadelphia, he later chose to make Washington, D.C., his home. Before being drafted, Mr. Ginn worked for the Social Security Board and the Government Printing Office.

Mr. Ginn has had more basic training than anybody we know about. He received his original "hazing" from the Army at Camp Pickett, Va., after being inducted in 1942; later he attended the Surgical Training School at Atlanta. Upon completion of the course he was assigned to the 16th Evacuation Hospital at Camp Blanding and took basic training all over again.

He spent about a year at Camp Kilmer with his unit, and in May 1943, made a never-to-be-forgotten 30 day trip to Oran in an LST. Shortly after arrival overseas, Mr. Ginn was placed on detached service with the Amphibious Forces to train for the invasion of Sicily and made his debut in combat on D-Day on the Licada and Gila beaches picking up and carrying off wounded and made four trips back and forth to Africa under heavy fire.

Upon conclusion of the invasion there, Mr. Ginn was sent back to Africa to train for the invasion of Italy and again made D-Day at Salerno, where, in the face of strong enemy resistance, the hospital had to be dug in on the beach.

Mr. Ginn went on with his unit to Caserta, Cassino and Minturno. When the 65th Evac. Hosp. was knocked out by enemy shell-fire at Anzio he went with his unit to replace them in their very precarious position.

Allied superiority brought him further up the boot to Grosseto, Ardenza, Firenzola, Bologna, Udine and points north, where the 16th Evac. Hosp. served the 34th Division.

For all his efforts in the war, Mr. Ginn remained a Pfc. He was awarded the Bronze Arrow, Beachhead insignia, five bronze

## ROUND TOWN

IN NAPLES  
Pfc. Herbert M. Feldman

Thursday evening the skating rink opened at the Bagnoli Railhead and proved to be highly successful. GIs crowded the floor till the closing at 10:00 p.m. On weekdays, excepting Wednesday, Saturdays and Sundays it is in operation starting at 2:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Skates can be procured at rinks in the little house behind Music Hall adjoining the skating rink.

We were caught, rightly so with our hat off this morning in front of the Administration Building. As punishment for the offense we were to state the fact in this column. As long as we are in the army and not in a rest camp or indulging in recreational activities uniform regulations should certainly be observed.

With the advent of warm weather many are looking around for suitable beaches to go swimming. Just past the 3005th Bakery in Bagnoli is a very nice looking place on the ocean. It has a wide beach and the water is sheltered by a long breakwater at this spot.

The other day we were introduced to the Italian sandwich called frittata con carne which makes a Dagwood Bumstead look like an hors d'oeuvre. It consists of a loaf of brown bread slit down the middle stuffed with a mixture of fried eggs and meat. Spicy as a burlesque, it requires a Joe E. Brown to bite off a mouthful without dropping half a sandwich. If you have a stout stomach try a frittata, one is a whole dinner.

Compliment department — Up for top votes is the mess at the Administration Building in the railhead where the service is good and the method of serving eliminates a lot of waste. Waiters bring around big dishes of food and the individual only takes on his own plate what he wants. The meals are good and the mess hall itself is one of the best we have seen in a long time.

Continuation of the story of the week; Pfc. B. F. Elliott is back from Switzerland bearing with him a beautiful swiss watch. Complete with seventeen jewels it is self-winding, shock-proof, water-proof and non-magnetic. It does everything but keep time. Every night it stops and leaves the Pfc. timeless in the morning. Anyone interested in buying a good-looking, seventeen jewel swiss watch? There is a written guarantee with it. Time marches on!

A volleyball tournament will be run in the Administration area of the railhead from the 7th of May until the 13th under the auspices of the Special Services Section. Teams wishing to enter should contact Pvt. Lawrence Mayer of Special Services before the 22nd of April. Finals will be played in Leghorn during the latter part of May.

stars for the theater combat ribbon which entitles him to wear one silver star, and the Good Conduct Medal.

Mr. Ginn studied at the National University School of Government Economics in Washington. His hobby is Esperanto, the proposed international language. His father heads the American International Language Society.

After he marries a sweet little girl in Florence this coming August, he plans to return to the family country estate at Colesville, Md., upon completion of his contract in November. There, with his bride, he plans to forget about the whole thing.



## Here Are More Radio Highlights Programmed For Month Of April

Here is the rest of the radio highlights of your radio listening pleasure for the month of April. The first part was published last week. Save this and keep it near your radio and by its use you will get the top-notch programs in radio entertainment.

### «Sports Quiz»

AFS — Italy has not been kidding about beating any overseas, or for that matter Stateside, network in variety and quality and pleasure of programs. Starting in April, listen on Sundays at 11:00 A. M., right after «John Charles Thomas» and «The Mediterranean Church» for «Sports Quiz». This added program will feature Sgt. Mel Allen with authorities Hank Goudie, Bucky Walters, Jocko O'Conlon, Bill Clem, Mrs. Lou Gehrig, and other sports personalities!

### «Symphonic Hour»

The «Symphonic Hour», every afternoon through April, 4 to 5 P. M., will present, among other masterpieces, Mendelssohn's Midsummer Night's Dream and Tscholkowsky's «Fugene Oregon» by the New York Philharmonic. soloist Yehudi Menuhin; «Seventh Symphony» of Sibelius and «Brandenburg Concerto No. 5» of Bach played by the NBC Symphony; Brahms' «Symphony» and «Threnody for a Soldier Killed in Action» by the Boston Symphony, conductors Sir Adrian Boult and Serge Koussevitzky. This latter composition was written by an English officer who died in the battle of El Alamein.

### «Comedy Favorites»

Gracie and her uplifters decided that women will take over all radio programs, on «Burns and Allen». Snooks goes to a finishing school, comes home and finishes everything, on «Fanny Brice». Jack is accented for membership in an exclusive country club, on «Jack Carson». Frank Sinatra is a guest, on «Bob Hope». Jack goes to the state fair, on «Jack Benny». Duffy never appears, on

## New Skating Film Here For Release

LEGHORN — One of the four new pictures to be released in the next few days in keeping with the Special Service Movie Branch policy of releasing four new pictures weekly will be a melodrama entitled «Murder in the Music Hall».

Combining her skating talent and dramatic ability in this murder drama which should satisfy the theater going sleuth, Vera Hruba Ralston, puts in an excellent performance to present the story in an interesting manner.

During an evenings performance of an ice revue a former director of an ice show is found murdered. Miss Ralston and other skaters of the show become involved in the murder case. Conductor of the orchestra and Miss Ralston endeavor to find the murderer before the police inspector.

The murderer is disclosed when she hums a tune composed by the dead man. Attractive presentations of figure skating add to the already entertaining picture to make it a must on everyone's list of movies they must see.

Duffy's Tavern». The Literary Society invites the author, P. D. Somerset, to its meeting; he, of the literary aristocracy, finds that Joan's uncle, Poop Deck Davis, was an old buddy; the society is duly shocked, on «Joan Davis».

## CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

### LEGHORN

#### PROTESTANT

9:00 — 10th POE; 287th QM Bn; 3195 Sig Serv Co. Day Room.  
10:00 — Protestant Church, opposite Paramount Theater; 61st Station Hospital.  
10:15 — 4079 QM Co. Day Room.  
10:30 — 4th Ord Base Depot; 99th Field Hospital.  
11:00 — Tombolo Theater.  
11:00 — PBS Hq Det. Day Room.  
19:00 — Protestant Church, opposite Paramount Theater.  
L. D. S.  
18:30 — Sunday - ARC Palace Club.

#### CATHOLIC

9:00 — Rosario Chapel, Via Ottobre 28 (Temporary).  
9:00 — 61st Station Hospital; 10th POE; 287th QM Bn.  
10:00 — Tombolo Theater; 61st QM Base Depot.  
10:30 — 3195 Sig Serv Co. Day Room.  
10:30 — St. Maria di Soccorso, Piazza Magenta, Leghorn.

### NAPLES

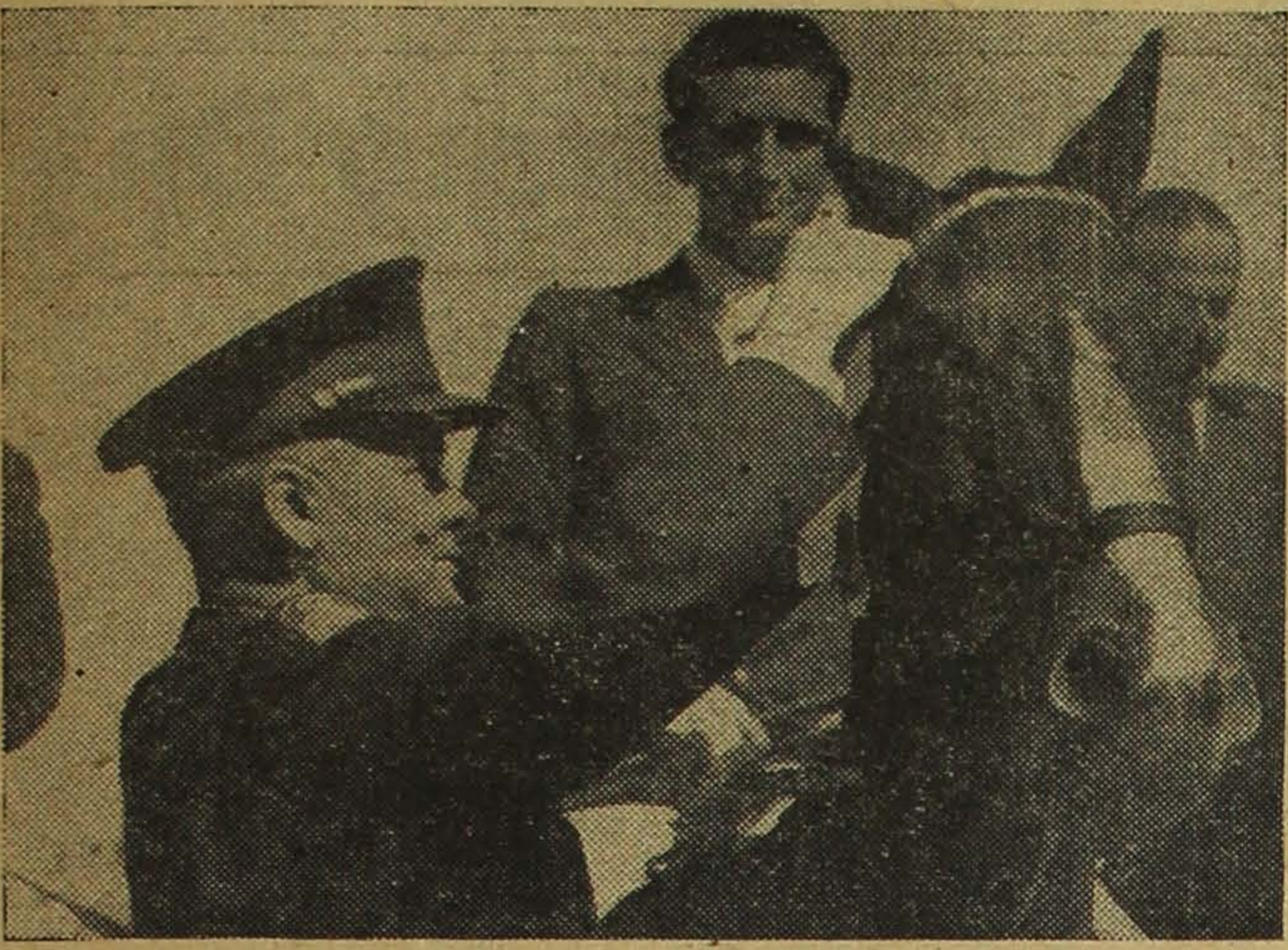
#### CATHOLIC

8:30 a. m. — Staging Area Chapel.  
10:00 a. m. — St. Mary's Chapel, Piazza Dante.  
9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. — Tenth Port Chapel, Gate 1  
7:00 p. m. — Catholic Club, 22 Piazza Dante.  
Confessions (English) all times at Gesu Nuovo Church.

#### PROTESTANT

10:00 a. m. — Worship Service, Medical Center Chapel and 345th Eng. Bn. Club. First Staging Area  
10:30 a. m. — Red Cross EM Theater.  
10:45 a. m. — General Service, Tenth Port Chapel.  
11:00 a. m. — Morning Service and Communion, Anglo-American Church.  
2:00 p. m. — Mormon Service, EM ARC Club, Via Diaz.  
2:30 p. m. — Lutheran Service and Communion, Anglo-American Church.  
7:30 p. m. — Young Peoples' meeting, EM ARC, Via Diaz.





Col. Francis H. Oxx, Commanding Officer of Peninsular Base Section is shown here pinning a ribbon on Remo, mount of Baron O. De Renzis, of the Florence Riding Society in the Post-Army Day horse meet held in Yankee Stadium last Sunday. (Photo by Sam)

## Large Crowd Turns Out For Another Horse Show At Post-Army Day Fete

### Series Of Recent Shows Fails To Dim Enthusiasm And Excellent Horsemanship Form Continues

LEGHORN — Italian riders took the biggest share of prizes given in the International Horse Show held in the Yankee Stadium last Sunday afternoon. The lion's portion of the honors went to Count Marzichi, of the Florence Riding Society, who won first places in both the Precision and the Power classes.

First event of the day was the Precision class, which was 10 hurdles, maximum height 3 feet, 6 inches, against time. Count Marzichi and Baron O. De Renzis tied in the first round of the course with perfect scores and had to jump again. Marzichi took the second lap by an easy margin of six points on «Red Fox». Baron O. De Renzis won second place on «Remo»; Signor Fioretti won third on «Sidi», and Pfc. Fred Walker took fourth on «Elsa».

The second event was the Power class. The course consisted of six jumps, height starting at 3 feet, 6 inches. Jumps were raised six inches after each run until all but one contestant was eliminated. Seven of the thirteen riders making the first lap turned in perfect scores to qualify for the second lap, and six of the remaining seven qualified for the third run. Only three contestants made the 4 feet, 6 inches in the third lap. First prize again went to Count Marzichi who took the course with only one knockdown on «Red Fox». Second prize was won by Signor Fusari riding «Larry», and third went to Signorina Simonetti on «Dora».

The team class, most spectacular event of the day, consisted of six jumps set at three feet, six inches, and against time. Riders in this class had to take the hurdles in pairs, keeping side by side as they went over. First prizes were won by Signor Fioretti on «Sidi» and

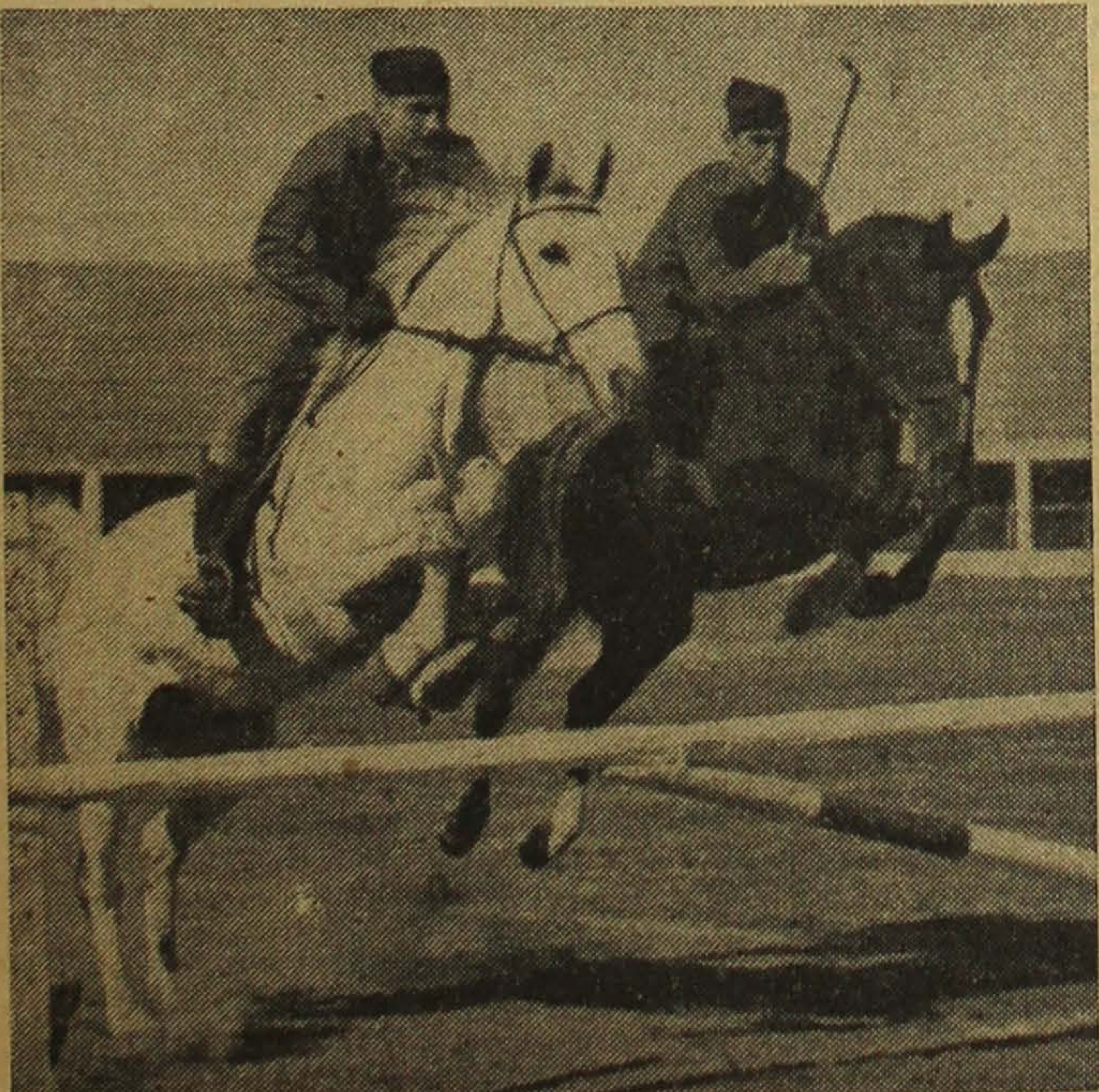
Signorina Abrial on «Dora». Both riders turned in a perfect score. Second was taken by Lt. Col. K. F. LaFayette on «Big Mick» and Pfc. Fred Walker on «Ranger». Third was taken by Signor Scudellari on «Friday» and Baron O. De Renzis on «Time



Holding his awards from the horse meet is Count Marzichi, three time Olympic champ from the Florence Riding Society. He won 1sts in the precision and power classes in the show last Sunday. (Photo by Sam)

Out», and fourth ribbons by Major Atkinson of the British Army riding «Tony» and Signor Fusari on «Larry».

The 117th AGF band played to a large soldier and civilian crowd. Presentation of the show was by the 61st QM Riding Stables through the courtesy of Special Service.



Lt. Col. K. F. LaFayette up on Big Mick and Pfc. Fred Walker, up on Ranger take the hurdle in the Sunday horse meet at Yankee Stadium. They won Second in the team class. (Photo by Sam)

## Naples Sports Get Impetus With Boxing Card Tomorrow

Skating, Swimming, Tennis, And Baseball On Menu As Railhead Pushes Program

NAPLES — After the fights last week we are waiting to see what will happen at the boxing show this Thursday evening, when once again Eddie «Kid» Perry will step into the ring; this time to face another Italian boy, Roberto Pini of Leghorn. Awarded a draw after being decisively beaten four rounds to two in his last encounter, «Kid» Perry will have to show much better condition to take this heavyweight six round bout. Perry, hailing from Chicago, has a hard right hand when it lands but it failed to come through early enough in his last fight.

Also on the card at the Music Hall are Ray Abrams and Clarence Thompson of New York. Both boys put on a fairly good showing in their last appearance at Special Services Section boxing show in Naples. A little piece of Tri Nitro Toulene that goes under the name of Paddy Byrne of Belfast, Ireland is also on the bill this week. Paddy fought several bouts on the Special Service card and can be counted on to turn in a good performance. Starting at 7:30 there will be a total of eight bouts with tickets available at your orderly room and Railhead Special Services office.

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Work has been started on the swimming pool in the Railhead and complete facilities for bathing will be available shortly. Opening date is expected within two weeks. The pool, located behind the Red Cross Military Club, is to be operated by the Railhead Special Service. Bathing suits are not on hand so personnel wishing to use the pool will have to furnish their own, but locker rooms in which to change are on the premises.

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Baseball equipment is scarce in the Naples area but several fields are under construction. Two diamonds are on their way to completion at the Railhead under the supervision of Pvt. Lawrence Mayer of Special Service, while one field at 3194th Security Guard, one at Caserta, two at Capodichino Airport and one at NAFGD NR 3 are almost finished. This will provide ample space for the Naples area league which will officially open on Sunday the 21st of April. At least fifteen teams are expected to participate in this league.

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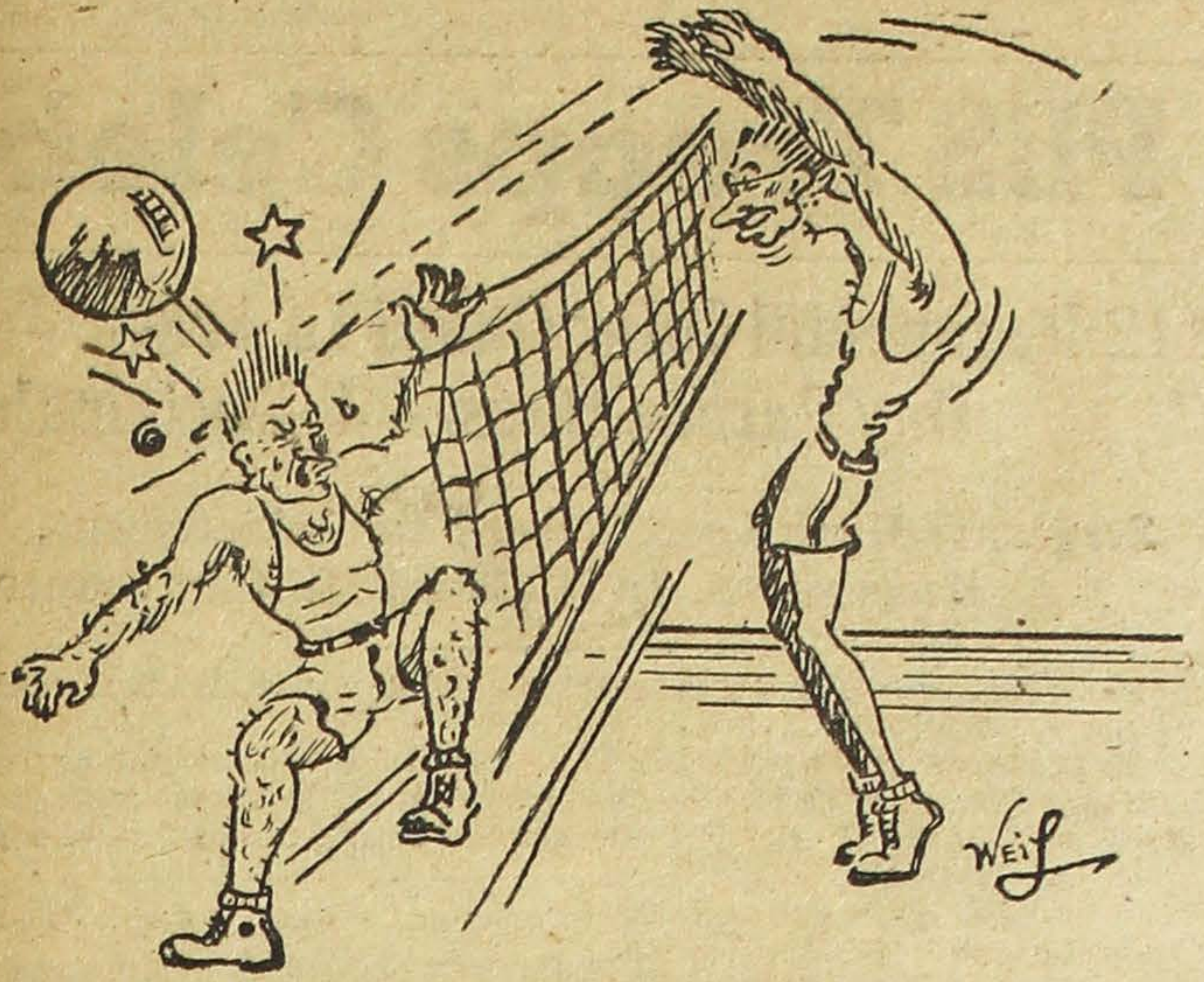
Tennis balls, tennis balls, nobody has them it seems. Rackets are easily procured from the Railhead gym and the British have some neat courts on the bay side near Soldiers Park, but with the exception of Capri Special Service they are very few tennis balls for American personnel. It does not look as if anything can be done immediately to help the situation.

## QM Depots Enrol Teams In Softball League

TOMBOLO — Softball and volleyball leagues have been set up in the Quartermaster Depots and competitions are expected to start shortly. The date for the first softball games will be on or about the 15th of April. Volleyball games will begin about the 1st of May.

Teams scheduled so far are from the following QM units:

61st Hq. and Hq. Co., 220th QM S. R. Co., 267th Bakery Co., 330th QH Depot Co., 631st Laundry Co., 4069 Service Co., 4079 Service Co., 3855th Gas Supply Co., 705th Engr. Pet. Dist. Co., 62nd QM Bn. Hq., 282nd Refrigerator Co., 181st QH Depot Co., 54th Sales Co.



## Volleyball Takes Limelight in PBS Sports Series As Spring Tonic

Little known, Semi-popular Game Takes On Added Followers As Popularity Grows Here

LEGHORN — Next in the series of sports to be given the limelight by Special Service is volleyball. The meaning of the word according to Webster is «A game played by volleying a large inflated ball, with the hands, over a net.»

«Invented» in 1895 by William G. Morgan, at that time physical director of the Holyoke, Mass., Y.M.C.A. as a means of providing relaxation and recreation combined with exercise in a non-strenuous contest. Many of the original rules however have been modified and revised to make the game more interesting and change it from a slow moving affair to one which is exciting and vigorous to participate in.

### A Few Of The Rules

Although most of the soldiers and practically all of the civilians have at one time or another participated in a volleyball game the rules were as different as the many minds could have thought of. Taken for granted as a game that is non scientific and easy to become proficient in, continuous practice with the fellows who play on the same squad cause a combination that may easily defeat a team of individual stars.

Definite rules have been laid down in regards to the number of officials and their jobs and duties during any contest. Referee, Scorer, Umpire and two linesmen are the components that make for a clean game and one that increases the skill required to participate in the match.

### Volleyball Semantics

Volleyball has it own meanings and language to be used in conjunction with different phases and acts to take place during a game. Among those already put down to mean certain things are. Low ball, high ball, set up, spike, knuckleball, floater, drop and mystery ball are some of the words that can be found used in connection with other sports but have their own meaning in this particular game. G.I. Jargon will undoubtedly change and add a few contractions or words to the list as they have done to many other things in the past.

## SS Beats 61st Hosp. In Softball Tilt

LEGHORN — A pre-season softball game at the Yankee Stadium had the Special Service Section of PBS defeat the 61st Station Hospital 2 to 1.

Opening up the game in the top half of the first, one of the medics hit a long ball good for a case of wheezies, putting the hospital ahead 1 to 0. The next three innings were uneventful as both the pitchers bore down and held the teams to a few scattered hits.

With the bases loaded and two away in the last half of the fifth, the medic catcher pulled a Mickey Owen and dropped the third strike allowing the wide-awake SS pitcher, Strong, the non third, to come in with the tying run. Strong, pitching in rare shape held the medics scoreless in the top half of the sixth. With a man on second Joe Helyenek lifted a long single to left center enabling Mitchell to score with the winning run for Special Service.

Play throughout the game was good and should improve as the season gets under way. Today is the deadline for turning in applications for admittance to the league, so get busy.

### Formations and Practice

Planning the offense as well as the defense can not be made up during the contest but should have been predetermined and practiced to gain the maximum efficiency and cooperation of the players. Formations studied in skull practice and later executed on the field all go to make the game a smoother and more interesting

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## THEATER SCHEDULES

### LEGHORN

#### GOLDONI

Wed. 2:00 & 7:30 p.m. HOW DO YOU DO IT, with Bert Gordon and Harry von Zell.

Thur. 2:00 p.m. (matinee only) HOW DO YOU DO IT. 8:30 p.m. OPERA CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA and PAGLIACCI.

Fri. 2:00 p.m. (matinee only) MEET ME ON BROADWAY, with Marjorie Reynolds and F. Brady. 8:30 p.m. OPERA, IL TROVATORE.

#### PARAMOUNT

Wed. & Thur. 2:00, 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. GUEST WIFE.

Fri. 2:00, 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. STORK CLUB, with Betty Hutton and Barry Fitzgerald.

#### PALECES CLUB

Wed. & Thur. 7:00 p.m. UP GOES MAISIE, with Ann Southern and George Murphy.

#### VICTORY CLUB

Fri. 7:00 p.m. TARS AND SPARS, with Alfred Drake and Janet Blaire.

#### ARC LITTLE THEATER

Continuous showings from 1:30 p.m. Feature starts at 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Wed. STATE FAIR, with J. Crain and Dick Haymes. Thur. DOLL FACE, with C. Miranda and P. Como.

Fri. SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY, with J. O'Hara.



# PBS Troops Celebrate First Post-War Army Day

## 442 Regimental Color Guard In Army Day Parade Boasts 4 "Originals"

### Sergeants Have Long Record Of Achievement, Decorations, In Colorful Military Career

LEGHORN — There's something about a parade that makes one feel good all over.

In the Army Day parade Saturday there was no one prouder than the four «original» 442nd veteran combat men who carried and guarded the fighting colors of the Nisei's «Go For Broke» Regimental Combat Team which made history from the bloody beaches of Anzio to the cold and bitter Vosges Mountains of northeastern France and into the fertile Po Valley of northern Italy.

An old timer from Waimea, Kauai, was First Sergeant Melvin M. Tsuchiya, who is probably best known through his activities in coaching the Regimental football and basketball teams. He is one of the few original of the 442 who has signed waivers to remain in this theater for an indefinite period. Having participated in four major campaigns, Sgt. Tsuchiya not only wears the European Theater Ribbon with four Battle stars, but also the Combat Infantryman's Badge. Furthermore, he has won through heroic achievement in combat, the esteemed Bronze Star Medal. In addition he wears the Distinguished Unit Badge, the Good Conduct Medal and the Victory Medal. Sgt. Tsuchiya was in charge of athletics at Weimea High School, Kauai. He and his beautiful wife, Vally Micheletti Tsuchiya, have been promised shipping priority for next month to return to the States and then to Hawaii.

Beribboned First Sergeant Hisau B. Hamamoto was from Anti-Tank Company. Having

volunteered for the Army back in January of 1942, the young soldier from Fillmore, California, has seen the growth of the 442nd from its infancy to combat maturity. Sgt. Hamamoto took an active part in the Anti-Tank invasion of Southern France for which he earned the Glider Badge and arrowhead for D-Day landing. His European Theater Ribbon is decorated with the Silver Star for five battle participations and the Bronze Arrowhead which signifies a spearhead action. In addition he too possesses the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Distinguished Unit Badge, the Good Conduct and Victory Medals. Sgt. Hamamoto's sisters, Mrs. Kiyoko Ekimoto lives at 533 Truman Boyd Manor, Long Beach, California.

Way back in January of 1941, T/Sgt. Tsuneo Nakada's studies at the Los Angeles Junior College was cut short by his call into the Army. However, this didn't stop his rapid rise to become the Transportation sergeant of the Third Battalion, the post he holds today. Prior to Army life and besides taking a business course at college, Sgt. Nakada was engaged in the profitable truck gardening business in southern California. With the original 442nd he wit-



This picture was taken on Army Day, last Saturday as Leghorn troops went all out to celebrate with a parade and other special events. Other photos, news, page 4.

nessed four major and victorious battles which earned him the right to wear four battle stars on his European Theater Ribbon. He is also the proud possessor of the Distinguished Unit Badge, the only ribbon authorized to be worn on the right side, and the treasured Combat Infantryman's Badge. He too, was all «original's», is entitled to wear the American Defense, Good Conduct and Victory Ribbons. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Tsuneki Nakada are residing at 986 Kingsley Drive, Los Angeles, California.

Last but not the least we have «top kick», M/Sgt. Jitsuo Yoshida of Honolulu, Hawaii. Here we have a soldier who has been with Service Company since its founding. Being with the motor pool and beginning as mechanic «top-kick» or «pop» Yoshida has now developed it into the smooth and efficient unit that it is. «Pop's»

soldierly operations have brought praise from everyone who has had contact with him. Being an «original» has aged him a little and he's rapidly losing his youth. Nevertheless, his heart and soul is with the 442nd and there's nothing he likes better than to talk over «old-times». Sgt. Yoshida came overseas with the unit in May, 1944, and went through all of its campaigns — the Rome to Arno River Drive, Vosges Mountains of Northeastern France, North Appennines Campaign and the Po Valley Offensive. Besides the ETO ribbon with four stars, he wears the coveted Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Good Conduct and Victory Medals. Sgt. Yoshida will be leaving for Nice, France shortly where he will be married to Miss Olga Gallo and spend his 90-day furlough-honeymoon along the beautiful French Riviera.

## Leghorn Celebrates

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vice Company and all Allied troops under direction of PBS.

The parade column commenced the line of march south of the reviewing stand and marched past the Palace to a point near the PX where they broke formation and were entrucked to be carried back to the organizations. The 117th AGF band furnished the music for the parade. The march started at 10 A.M. and was over before 11 A.M.

All units of Headquarters Command put on an unusually good noonday meal and topped it off with holiday extras. The evening consisted mostly in radio addresses by the Commanding Officer of PBS and by the commanders of all major commands as well as the President of the United States. One unusual part of the afternoons radio programing consisted of the reading over the air of the last letters of three of Jimmy Doolittle's fliers on the day before they were executed by the Japanese.

Other entertainment consisted of showings of special movies in units and theaters, one of the most notable being «Bandit of Sherwood Forest», one of the newest technicolor releases. Minor sports events and bunk fatigue were the order of the day for a great number of the men as they were relieved from duty for the whole day.

One of the most notable events the Post-Army day horse show which was held Sunday afternoon in the Yankee Stadium. This was one of the best performed and well attended meets of the recent series of shows that have been held.

## Piece Of Surplus Property Returned

LEGHORN — Another piece of government requisitioned property has been returned to the Italians, with the releasing of the Hippodrome in the past week.

The property of the army since July 1944, the allies on arriving in this area found the field and the surrounding parts heavily mined. After removing most of the mines the Hippodrome has been divided its army career between a store house and an athletic field.

## ARC To Hold Indoor Beach Party Tonight

LEGHORN — An indoor beach party will be held at the ARC Palace Club this evening at 7:00 p. m. A gala evening is in store for those attending and although you may not be able to get your feet wet some sand may find its way into your shoes.

### PHOTO LECTURES MONDAY

Photo Club lectures by Capt. Leahman of the Surgeon's office at the ARC Palace Club has been changed from Friday evenings to Monday evenings.

## Sewage System Is Returned To City

LEGHORN — The Tito Neri sewage disposal firm has been derequisitioned by the Allied Commission and turned over to city officials for administration, it was announced by Major Stanley Beatty, AC Public Safety Officer.

In practically every block in the city there is a large catch-basin for sewage which must be pumped out regularly. Requisitioning of the firm was made necessary because only the most accessible and profitable cesspools were given the proper attention. Neglected basins, with the advent of hot weather in the offing, threatened the health of persons living in Leghorn.

Unit commanders are advised that when basins in their vicinity are not properly serviced anyone in the unit who speaks Italian can telephone 32889, or call in person at the City Hall, Via Roma No. 1.

### Horseman

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class able to compete with the best jumpers the Italians have to offer.

Sgt. Mabe is married to an Italian girl, now living in Florence (which explains his presence in Italy with his 108 point score), and he is expecting an addition to his family in a short time.

The little lady in the photo above is «Lili Marlene», which the Sgt. has schooled to be one of the best hurdlers in Italy. «Lili» was captured in the Po Valley last spring during the big drive that ended the war, and she is a Single-Antler brand German mare, which is by way of saying that she was sired by a registered German Army stallion.

Win or lose, Fred and «Lili» will place high in the International shows to be presented in the future.

## Famous Isle Of Capri Still Remains An Ideal Spot For GI Seeking Rest

### Warm Weather And Luxurious Accomodations Provide Ideal Relaxation, Pleasure Setting

NAPLES — Warm weather and a great influx of GIs have both come to the beautiful Isle of Capri. Once again soldiers can feel like civilians for a while, as minus their uniforms, they swim in the salty surf of Marina de Piccola. A two hour boat ride on the lake-like ocean and you're shut in by high hills of the peaceful island, or on the top of a miniature mountain looking out to the sea.

Excellent hotel accomodations at the Albergo Morgano for enlisted men and at the Quisisana for officers await the lucky serviceman as an island jeep takes him from the boat to the square. Each room has a terrace overlooking the water and most have private baths wherein a GI may soak up a tubful of hot water before entering the pre-war dining room. From handsome trays and platters, waiters serve delicious meals at individual tables. Special Capri wine and other drinks to warm the palate are on hand for lunch and supper. A dance attended by the belle signorine is on tap every evening; in the dining room on Saturdays and downstairs in the bar on the other nights.

The island offers a variety of sight-seeing tours to please the most hardened traveler. Another Capri feature is the church of San Michele and the Museum of Axel Monthe, the eminent Swedish doctor. Real blue is revealed in the Blue Grotto, just a short ride over the waves from Marina Grande in a motor launch. Runis of Tiberius present an interesting spectacle and for the sport minded there is always a climb to the very top of Capri. Swimming, tennis and mule riding complete the program for the athletically inclined with rock sun bathing for those who are not so energetic.

In the late evening a soft bed decorated by two clean sheets and a warm blanket demand your presence for an unlimited number

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game for the spectators as well as the players.

Brains used instead of the brute force that is usually seen during a match also improves the game as well simplifying the manner in which the ball can be placed to cause the ball to become difficult to be returned once hit over the net.

### Variations Of The Game

Many interesting games have sprung out of the original and later changed volleyball and among the most prominent are Shower Ball, and Bounce Ball.

of hours. To awaken too late for breakfast is not a calamity on the isle of Capri, for the Red Cross Bombay Club on the square has tempting buns to go with their coffee. It takes a hardened man indeed to stay away from seconds and perhaps thirds, when the fresh ice cream, covered with chocolate, peach or pineapple flavoring is being handed out in heaps all afternoon. Wash the ice cream down with a milkshake or two and you are ready to face another afternoon of leisure with a full feeling of contentment.

Oh, we seem to have forgotten something. We need the little slip of signed paper called a pass. That's all you need to start the ball rolling to send you on your way to the «enchanted isle».

## RADIO SCHEDULE

Your American Expeditionary Stations selected listening hours in April. Programs subject to change without notice.

AES - LEGHORN — 1433 Kc AES - NAPLES — 1465 Kc  
AES - ROME — 695 Kc

### Saturday

7:00 a. m. Reveille Roundup  
11:15 a. m. Melody Roundup  
17:15 p. m. Remember  
19:30 p. m. Alan Young  
20:00 p. m. Your Hit Parade  
21:05 p. m. AES Playhouse  
21:30 p. m. National Barn Dance  
22:00 p. m. Kollege of Knowledge  
22:30 p. m. Jubilee

### Sunday

9:00 a. m. Lazy Man's Reveille  
10:00 a. m. John Charles Thomas  
13:30 p. m. Sunday Serenade  
19:15 p. m. Yank Bandstand  
19:30 p. m. Hour of Charm  
21:05 p. m. AES Playhouse  
21:30 p. m. Command Performance  
22:00 p. m. Jack Benny

### Monday

7:00 a. m. Reveille Roundup  
8:15 a. m. News of the World  
11:15 a. m. Melody Roundup  
12:00 News Summary  
17:15 p. m. Remember  
19:30 p. m. Danny Kaye  
21:05 p. m. AES Playhouse  
22:00 p. m. Joan Davis  
22:30 p. m. Music from America

### Tuesday

10:00 a. m. Encore Performance  
11:00 a. m. At Ease  
11:30 a. m. Fred Waring

15:00 p. m. News Summary  
15:05 p. m. Information Hour  
17:00 p. m. GI Jive  
18:00 p. m. News and Sports  
19:30 p. m. Fibber McGee  
22:00 p. m. Bob Hope

### Wednesday

11:00 a. m. Swingtime  
16:00 p. m. Symphonic Hour  
17:15 p. m. Remember  
18:00 p. m. News and Sports  
19:30 p. m. Comedy Caravan  
21:05 p. m. Globe Theater  
21:30 p. m. Frank Sinatra  
22:30 p. m. American Album

### Thursday

8:15 a. m. News of the World  
10:00 a. m. Encore Performance  
11:30 a. m. Fred Waring  
12:00 News Summary  
15:05 p. m. Information Hour  
21:30 p. m. D'nah Shore  
22:30 p. m. Music We Love  
24:00 News of the World

### Friday

11:00 a. m. At Ease  
15:00 p. m. News Summary  
16:00 p. m. Symphonic Hour  
17:00 p. m. GI Jive  
19:30 p. m. It Pays to be Ignorant  
21:05 p. m. AES Playhouse  
22:00 p. m. Duffy's Tavern  
22:30 p. m. Melody Hour