

SWITCHBOARD

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accompanying picture is composed mostly of neighboring 2nd th personnel.

Cpl Oscar J. Ross, 517 Sixth st., Portsmouth, Ohio, is a veteran PBX Operator from the Norfolk & Western Railroad who he wall wrestled all types of switchboards in the 759th. Back in the States where the outfit trained at Camp Claiborne, La., a OOCamp Jesse Turner, Ark.,



Corporal Ross was blessed with standard equipment. But in North Africa, he IIII faced with a portable field PBX- and the chore of generating his om pOIIIrby the use of a crank. "Dynamo" Ross, they called him in them days.

In Rome he Operated a switchboard of local manufacture, aoo a far cry frOIII its American cousin. France found Ross back with the signal corps field model, complete with dea- hand-crank. But currently, in GelIIIIalI, chief operator Ross has abram-new aoo completely, modern, baby. It's a German invention, aoo more effective than y2 for ROSS'S money. The photo shows how he feels about it.

The 759th said adieu recently to maIY of its old timers, all past 40. Included in the group headed homeward were: T/sgt Olaf Bogevoid, Houston, Texas, long time dispatcher in the train movement section; T/sgt Eugene Buchanan, Kansas City, Mo., bn. supply sergeant; aoo Sgt Arthur Amuoon, Helena, Mont., assistant wire chief.

759th softball team defeated 2nd th in a recent encounter. Tis Charley W. Wheeler, Peru, 100., was the hard-as-nails Umpire-in-Chief.

1st Lt. Ambrose Griffith, 463 Kendall st., Burlington, Wis., aoo his right hand man, Sgt Lewis Norris, 302 Howe St. w-cross, Ga., are the efficient.. "proprietors" of the 759th PX. Dubbed the Jot-Elp-Dawa-Store (or Cash & Carry), the Px does a thriving business.

T/sgt Henry W. Weiler.

From the 764th.... -0-

According to T/sgt Ralph G. Fulton, former Pennsy railroader, from Monongahela, Pa., the beefsteaks in Scotland are plentiful and so is the rain in England. Fulton has returned to CompalYc" after

a furlough in the UK. He says the tower of LoIXion, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace are still intact. With the aid of too natives, Fulton foulXi his way to most places of interest (including a f. pubs). But it was twg. For instance, when Fulton asked a passing Englishman the way to the Droopy Drawers a famous Fleet Street tavern, he obliged at such cheerful am involved length that Fulton was dazed. Said the hopeful Britisher after giving detailed directions: "You call I'll miss it!"

Pvt Buck Haney, of Co. "C", is making sQIIleserious matrimonial plans these days. It seems that a little love bug named Jeanine Faucher, of Gsy Paree, doe bit ole Buck while he Wallstationed there. His buddies are wondering how Jeanine is going to like that big state of Texas.

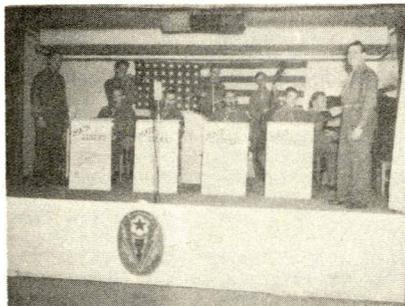
Seldom is a supply sergeant confronted with difficulties such as recently had to be surmounted by s/sgt Benjamin "Brooklyn" Gerbeville of Co. "C". With a mountain of equipment aIXi supplies, a no place to house the stuff, "Garby" dug out tools am. iIXt to IIOrk. He received plenty of help from the boys, and now has quite a model setup. The gang is expecting him to start, claiming, aIY day now, that he engineered the Brooklyn bridge or something. As a matter of fact, he IIII formerly an air brake inspector for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Pfc's Francis E. Baker, Earl R. Moore Jennings R. Triplett, and James F. Redman, of "C" Co., were recently awarded drivers medals.

According to a quote in "stars & Stripes", "the 764th Nomad baseball team made a 'suspicious' debut in winning their first game in the DBSVictory League". Well, poor the Nomadshave also nosed out their second opponent, the 107th Port Yarine club, the railroaders - fear they must by "guilty" by comparison.

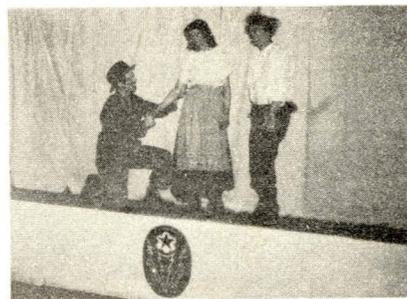
OCSaooodate Merrell C. Shoemaker, former paint foreman in Co. "C", recently showed his old buddies that he Wall still in there trying after the weeding out process, and that he was looking forward to the "big test" which s coming soon. Sergeant Shoemaker hails from Missouri, and was formerly an employee of the MK&Railroad.

T/5 William O. Varner.



From the 718th....

The "Main Liners", 718th baIXi am beq of talented comedians, have been highballing the "Entertainment Special" for the pleasure of several units in aIXi around Mainz, GermalY. Giving performances on their own time, their program includes the latest hit tunes aIXi comedy skits. The idea was conceived as a reg-



ular weekly feature by the battalion special service officer, 1st Lt. Arthur W. Fritton, CheyellIIIWells, Colo., and his assistant, T14 Joseph David, Downey, Calif. A recent performance was given for the 7CX)th Gram. Division in frankfurt. If of the shows is Pfc Archie Yarmar, Toledo, Ohio. Tenor solist is T/5 George D. Tole, Pittsfield, Mass. Saxophone players are Pfc William H. Arledge, Greenville, S.C., Phillip A. Stamm and T14 Robert F. Smith, both of Joliet, Ill. Guitarist is T/5 Raymond Anderson, Adrian, Mich. Cornetist is Pfc Jack F. Surridge, Shelton, Wash. The drums are manned by Sgt Frank C. Oliver, Superior, Wis. Maestro of both the fiddle and the banjo is Pfc Walter Becker, New York City. Versatile actors are: Pfc Joseph T. Shannon, Roxbury, Mass.; T/5 JIIIIIISH. Oakley, Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; Tis Wesley A. Hearon, Cls;y, Ky. Capt. Floyd D. WillIIIIII.

In the 750th...

In Rurzburg, GermalY, the 750th Medical Detachment celebrated its first birth on June 24th. Host of the evening IIIIIBat talon surgeon, Capt. Franz Gruen, Elyria, Ohio. He was assisted by dental officer Capt. Dwight J. McCormick Madison, Ind. With s/sgt Robert W. Jensen heading the staff of medical technicians, the battalion witnessed a fast, ru-shaw. All terrors of sick call IIIere banished when the medics' roIIIIs IIIere glamorized with clever decorations designed by Pfc Wilbur H. Edgmon, pharmacist, and T/5 William S. Thompson, CompalYc. The 750th participated and Captain Gruen donned his rubber gloves, equipping himself with a saw and a carving knife, to cut the huge chocolate cake. Lt. Col. James J. Stockard, BaCO took the first piece. Presents were passed out and Capt. William N. Edson, CO of Company "C", was given a portable cuspidor.

When T/5 John J. Haynes, Hq. Co., returns to his home at 10 South Manning St. Hillsdale, Mich., he'll fIOO II strange man living there. But everything's okay as the stranger is his IIBIKon, John Terrence Haynes, born Ms;y21st. Also in the recent father's club ill Pfc Harold K. Eck, Company "C", 219 South Fraley St., Kane, Pa. It's a another boy, born June 1st.

They had a truck load of money, did Pfc William D. Goach, Buffalo, N.Y., and Pvt Leonard J. Hockett, Iilwaukee, Wis., when they recently hauled \$250,000,000 in German currency. Each man drove a "six, ~ six" weighted down with dough. But it IIIISall counted and urxier control of the Allied Military Government.

From the 763rd...

UOOefeated in 18 games, the 763rd IW Shop Bn. softball team has hurled a challenge to all comers.