



Brig. Generals Boatner and Trapnell discuss the movement of prisoners into the new enclosures.

KING CO. KLINKERS

The "Honey-bucket Hilltoppers", captained by Capt. Benjamin H. Hill, made their initial debut into the professional circles of volley-baldom with a smashing victory over a group of young students from the Koje-do "House boy Brigade" on 15 June 1952.

The "House boy Brigadier's" were humbled with a smashing 15-3 defeat. The winners were spurred on and spirit-plugged by Capt. Hill, 1st Lt. Anthony Cavalcante, 1st Lt. Harold Neal, 1st Lt. Walter Vannoy and the First Sgt., M/Sgt. Arnold D. Grayless.

To this date, the "Bucket-ees" have yet to be defeated. They are willing to play any team in the Regiment—with these stipulations:

1. No member of the opposing team shall be of less than two or more than three feet, six inches in height.
2. No member of the opposition shall have played volley ball in the past.
3. Each member of the opposition shall have had a physical examination ascertaining that he:

- A. Is dead.
- B. Is near death.
- C. Is under seven or over eighty years of age.
- D. Is afflicted with:
 - (1) Asenitis
 - (2) Paley
 - (3) St. Vitus Dance.

If you are a member or know of such a team, send them around.

The ranks of "Top Three" were substantially increased by a number of promotions this month.

Promoted to the grade of Sergeant were Norman Boars, Robert Biegel, Alton Bankley, LeRoy Pick, Emilio Garcia, Donald Halien Raymond Irby, Donald Marche, James Plackis, Amos Rogers, Jack Reno, Jr., James Shannon and David Twigg.

A group of people were sitting around the other evening discussing things and this little anecdote, originated by 1st Lt. Walter Vannoy, caught the ears of many:

It seems that the lieutenant was playing football for VMI under the fabulous Allison T. S. "Pooley Hubert, Mr. Hubert had only this to say:

"All right, all these people out there in the stands think you're gonna get beat; the newspapers think that you're gonna get beat; N.C. State thinks that you're gonna get beat; I think that you're gonna get beat and you think that you're gonna get beat." (A long pause.) "All right, you must be good

CHARLEY BTRY

After spending approximately 24 days in Mori Training Area, the Battery returned to Camp Wood, Kumamoto, Kyushu, Japan on or about 24 May 1952. Since the return of the Battery from Mori, we have had men come and go. We have lost a numerous amount of men on rotation and reassignment, and have received a few replacements. This Battery, as well as the other units in the 67th Airborne Field Artillery, was complimented on the splendid job that was done in Mori, by the Commanding General of XVI Corps. After receiving word of the compliment, the men in the Battery were proud of themselves.

After our Battery Commander, Captain James R. Zeller, was relieved to take the S-2 Section of the 674th, 1st Lt. John C. Millard, our present CO took over the Battery. It is hard for a man to step in the shoes of an old Battery Commander, but 1st Lt. Millard did just that.

On 6 June 1952, the Battalion participated in a Field Day, in which this Battery sent three men to represent the 674 in track and field events to Sendai. Although the men did not win in Sendai, it was good to see some men from "C" Btry enter the meats. The men were: Sgt. John F. Cora, Pfc. Richard J. Bollinger, and Pfc. Guy F. Boggs. They had a good time, and I know they were proud to be picked to represent the 674.

M/Sgt. Richard J. Meadows, our Chief of Firing Battery, has taken over the job as First Sergeant until the return of our regular First Sgt., M/Sgt. John W. Patterson, who is presently in the hospital. Sgt. Meadows is doing a fine job, and I know all the men in the Battery think the same. Our chief of Detail, also in the hospital, was replaced by Sgt. James S. Flood, who is also doing a fine job. SFC Leonard F. Rastie, is presently handling the job as Chief of Firing Battery until M/Sgt. Meadows comes back. Yet, we want to wish all the men in the hospital the best of luck.

ABLE BATTERY

Having completed the Bn. test to find out our combat efficiency, we left the beautiful country known as Mori. Everyone had tears in their eyes as we passed through Yufuin (the hot springs). We embarked there and rode the train to Kumamoto. The next week or so was spent getting the guns and trucks, plus personal equipment, back in top condition. Starting June 1st, 3 day passes were issued to each man who was at Mori with us. The boys really appreciated them.

Not too long after we were back, we started clearing our DZ. We of the Bn have made great progress and when we are finished we probably will have one of the best DZ's of any Airborne Service, and only a short way from Camp. The Bn made a drop over our DZ with C-119's and was supposed to make another drop, but due to weather conditions we dropped at Hakata Golf Course. We put on a fine demonstration for the dependents. I guess now they know why we get the extra 50 skins (\$50).

HEAD THIRD COMPANY

Nothing extraordinary, so to speak, about this tour of duty in Koje. The daily details, the dust, the rain, the sun beating down: We need more replacements.

A.A.A. NEWS

After returning from the Mori Maneuver Area on the 19th of May, the AAA Battery split up, half of the outfit returning to Camp Wood and the remainder going to the Tsuki Firing Range to complete their AFF test under the command of Captain Michael J. Cullen Jr. In the last phases of their tests in the field the AAA Battery was rated superior under the leadership of its platoon leaders, Lt. Norcom, & Lt. Dalk. Contributing to the success of the field exercises also were SFC Tebo, Sgt. Mihok, Sgt. Jordan, Sgt. Saltix, Sgt. John Jones and the men under them.

Upon departing from the Tsuki Firing Range the AAA Battery consolidated at Camp Wood to reorganize itself, after two months of intensive field duty. Two solid weeks were devoted to a thorough barracks housecleaning, and cleaning of all equipment. A three day pass was issued to all the personnel for the work accomplished. Sgt. Donald L. Jones, the A&R NCO of the Battery conducted a well organized athletic sports program with the assistance of Pfc. Chester Lichtner.

On the 6th of June, the AAA participated in the Field Day Inauguration and received honorable mention in 3rd place at the track meet program. Participants representing AAA Battery on the Field Day were Pfc. Addison, Pfc. Lichtner, Pfc. Ganspoint, Cad. Brooks, Pfc. Byrd, Pfc. McLendon and Pfc. Brandon. The outstanding athletes of the track meet was Pfc. Lichtner.

Of course to break the monotony, we can take a trip back to Beppu-By-The-Sea (he-ha-ha don't you wish!). But then this paradise isle of Koje is comparatively like Beppu.

Getting back to Beppu (and who wouldn't like to?)—just imagine being soaked in one of these Japanese tubs. Ah-h relaxation! Getting drier and drier by the hour—finally no strength left to get out of the tub. Whatta way to die!

Old Man Wes finally started on his first leg of the long-long journey to the states.

Took a lot of worry and time but Osborne finally made another rocker. Too bad we aren't back in Beppu to enjoy the "wetting of the strips"!!

Was a hectic and busy time when "Operation Break-Up" was in full swing, but the situation has quieted down somewhat since then. Incidentally, did you all notice that the ol' 187th has slipped from the front page of "Stars & Stripes" to nowhere? Surely someone's got an idea to put us in the news again! Press the button!

The following weeks were spent rooting out tree stumps and leveling off the new camp Wood DZ for the heavy drop on the 15th of June. In the near future the AAA Battery Day Room will be renovated under the management of Sgt. Lorett, Sgt. Richard, and Sgt. Fennewald. The mess hall was commended for it's outstanding chow both in the field and in messies. For the communication setup, radios, electric lights and movies we are most thankful to Commo Sgt. Helf & his section.



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