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THE VALPO VANE

CCC Company 1583
Camp SCS-20
VALPARAISO, INDIANA

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NO 2

A REPROOF

In the October issue of the Vane hints were made toward having another Company Dance. However, nothing has been done about the situation as yet so we shall put our thoughts into words.

This company hasn't had a dance in the last three months, which means the enrollee's feet are beginning to itch. They want to swing their J.B's out behind some hot music.

The new enrollees from West Virginia are in favor of having a barn dance. This type of dance would be something different and would undoubtedly prove more successful than the other dances given in the past.

I think we should give this article plenty of thought. Please don't only think about it. Let's put our thoughts into action. A barn dance would be the real "McCoy."

Here's a little suggestion. Why not make the rated men that don't dance responsible for law and order at the dance? Also remember, there will be no drinking permitted except water and pop. If anyone sees fit to drink anything stronger it shall be to their own sorrow.

INSPECTIONS

Nov. 11, 1939. NOEL D. MORAN, M.D., CCC District Medical Supervisor, inspected the entire camp. The rating received was Excellent. Let's make it a Superior next time.

Nov. 16, 1939. R.O. UTKE, Sector Commander inspected the books.

Nov. 20, 1939. Captain CHILDS, District Inspector inspected the ordinance and books.

Birthday Greetings For The Month Of November

To the men listed below, the happiest of Happy Birthdays and many returns of the day are extended to them.

Richards, William	Nov. 1, 1918
Fogus, Warren H.	Nov. 2, 1920
Davis, Robert	Nov. 6, 1919
Spurlock, J. Henry	Nov. 11, 1919
Collins, Wm. J.	Nov. 18, 1920
Johnson, Lloyd	Nov. 21, 1920
Jonaitis, Ignaitius	Nov. 22, 1919
Lain, Donald L.	Nov. 23, 1921
VanDeWater, Ruby	Nov. 26, 1911
Ponda, Anthony	Nov. 31, 1920

W A N T E D

A request for more nuts is being made by the company's pet squirrel. Men, bring your nuts to the supply room.

EX-ENROLLEE TO BE MARRIED

Joe Kudera, camp carpenter, who was recently discharged to accept employment at the Keene Foundry at Griffith will soon be married.

The bride-elect, Betty Marie Sakal, is widely known for singing appearances accompanied by her fiance, who is, as we all know, an accomplished accordionist.

The wedding will take place February third at the St. John Bosco Church with Father Gruenberg officiating. Before that time the couple will be entertained at many parties. Good wishes are extended to you Joe. We are hoping that you invite some of us to your Golden Wedding anniversary.

ALBERT HABHAB GETS JOB

Albert Habhab, an enrollee with an excellent record in this company whom all of the older enrollees know was recently discharged to accept employment in the Car-

neigie Illinois Steel Corporation.

While in this camp, Albert "Hab-dab" was bathhouse orderly, night guard and ambulance driver. Early last summer he was sent to Ft. Benjamin Harrison on detached service as truck and staff car driver.

Albert will surely be missed by this company. Who will supply the jokes, jibes and an ever-ready laugh and smile now that he is gone? We all wish Albert good luck and hope he will be as successful in civilian life as he was in the Three C's.

Vane Has New Cartoonist

A recent appointment was made to the Valpo Vane Staff. Ray S. Shaffer will be the Vane's new cartoonist. We are sure he will make a success of the job. You can judge for yourself by his work now in the paper.

SPORTS

By Awalt Brose
Senior Leader

*** TURN OUT FOR BASKETBALL ***

OUR PROSPECTS

Once again we enter into the struggle for the CCC basketball supremacy in the Indiana District. Now believe me, I would not say this if I were to be quoted, but in my opinion our prospects for a successful season are definitely good. Although not a man from last year's first team squad is left I think the material now on hand can more than handle the situation. Competition is sure to be more intense since no company in this sector is passively going to sit and watch our company walk away

*** TRAIN FOR BOXING ***

with the coveted trophy for three successive years. Therefore our job of winning will be more harder, also more interesting and exciting. Where competition is keen the laurels won are more satisfying.

Our Coach

Mr. Brown of Valparaiso will coach the basketball squad again.

Let's give a hand to Mr. Brown who has proven himself a gem of the first water in giving so much of his leisure time to us as coach entirely without compensation. We wish more people were like him.

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EDITORIAL

A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION

In the October issue of the Vane we asked for a few comments from the Happy Days CCC paper. Well boys, we received a little more than we asked for.

First let's quote a line from the Cob Webb Corner of Happy Days. "Valpo Vane, Co. 1583, Valparaiso, Ind., is easy to read as a result of combination multigraph and mimeograph artistry which places it in a place by itself."

This mere line of type sure hit us hard since last months paper contained not a line from our old rickety mimeograph machine. Perhaps the judges have a legitimate excuse for this mistake even though the editor of this paper thinks someone is far-sighted because of the many long hours spent to put out our first printed paper. However, a little ointment helped our deep wound when the paper received a four star rating. We look to the future with fingers crossed.

DEAR MA SERIES PA SETTLES A FEUD

By courtesy of
Maxwell Thornton Stuckey

Dear Ma:

The Martins and the Murphys is shore after pa. I seen Ben Murphy an Tad Martin both a hidin in the woods this mornin a watin fer pa ter come out.

But pa aint home an I caint figger hit out. I went over ter Tad Martins whare I last saw pa whin I left so fast like. They ketched me an took me down ter the house, an inside they had pa tied up ter a chare.

I ast him how he got caught. Hit seems like pa got away fer a while an hid under the house with Tad's hogs. The hogs got ter actin kinder mean an pa got ter gruntin at em peeceful like.

Wal, Tad aint been a hearin them hogs gruntin under hiz house all yere thouts a knowin either they wuz a strange hog under thare er one uf hiz pigs had growed a base voice. He pulled up a board an shore enuff hit wuz a stranger, Pa.

Wal Ma, they argied whither ter hang pa er shoot him. Tad Martin sed he figgered hit were to dangruos ter shoot a Hankins, an all ter once Ben Murphy yelled, "I got hit, we'll tar an feather both uv em."

They coodent find no tar (them bein so pore) so they rolled out a big barl uv sorgum. Then they dumped pa in feet first, a lettin him stay in long enuff ter soke thru hiz red flannels, which they let him ware on account uv him bein the hed uv the Hankins family. After a while they pulled him out an dumped him in hed first, a lettin him stay down till he blowed bubbles in thu sorgum (which is a long time--sorgum bein whut hit is.) They had brung out four er five pillars all ript up an they started stuffin fethers inside pa's red flannels. Then they begin ter deckerate Pa all over. Bad as I felt, me bein next, I had ter laff at pa. He wuz dominecker up ter hiz nees, then he wuz Rode-Island Red a ways. The rest wuz black an yaller with a fine showin uv white goose fethers. Pa had a top uv turkey fethers, hiz beard a makin a good bill even if hit were ragged. Pa's red flannels showed in a place er 2, an all tergether he looked like a peacock which had hits fethers ruffed the rong way.

Before they could start on me pa heerd me laffin. When pa gits thet look in hiz eye hit takes more'n ten er twelve Martins ter hold me.

Whin I went over the hill I looked over my sholder an neer got the scare uf my life. Pa made the mostest meanest lookin bird uv prey I ever seed. Hiz white leghorn wings wuz a flappin an I wuz afeerd bout any minit he'd come a coastin offen thu hill. He were makin noises like no bird I ever heerd an I knowed if I ever got ter see them white goose fethers on Pa's chest outen thu corner uv my eye one uv them dominecker leigs wood add more'n speed ter my hurry.

I still think hit wuz Mark Hankins who saved my life. Whin I turned inter thu ridge rode I seed Mark swingin along. I could see Mark's eyes bug out whin he looked past me. He jist whipt up hiz rifle an let

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PA SETTLES A FEUD

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drive. About a pint uv dominecker fethers, a sprinklin uv Rhode Island Red an a patch uv red flannel flew offen pa. But hit jist stopt him a minit.

Mark had turned off the rode an I cood hear him bargin away thru the bresh an gettin out uv hearing in a way to do hissself proud. I wuznt a lettin no mud settle round my feet nether. I done so good I got rond the house an up in thet big Oak tree fore Pa came in site.

I never seed thet rooster uv arn back down afore, but whin hit saw thet bird a comin up the hill it took off fer thu corn crib an left the hins ter take care uv thareselves. Climber let out one loud yelp an turned rond so fast in his hurry ter git away, he run inter hiz own tail an durn nigh bit hit off fore he went over thu ridge.

Roamer always wuz so lazy he woodent move fer nothin. He jist opent one eye lazy-like fer ter see whut wuz causin the ruckus. The other eye an him wint inter acshun bout thu same time. Frum thu way he took out I bet he caught Climber fore he reached thu holler.

Hank.

("Pa Settles A Feud" will be continued in the December issue of The Vane.)

***** KITCHEN SMOKE *****

By James Miller

Cox and Quartuchio Have Good Records

Noticed of course by members of this company. We have a new cook in the making, namely Gerald Cox, from West Virginia. He has been a peerless and tireless worker as a K.P. and deserved a chance as cook. In his place we have someone almost as efficient as him. This person is the infamous Joseph Quartuchio. Although slight as he is, he carries his share of a heavy load very efficiently. Let us all show our appreciation for their efforts by cooperating in every possible manner.

Thanks

We wish to thank all new men for conducting themselves so well and adapting themselves to our way of

doing things. Just keep it up and everything will be fine.

The Kitchen Dirt Corner

Under and over and upside down this old world goes around and around, for a little boy in the kitchen. What he is charged with we have often wondered. We are beginning to find out little by little. It seems certain PARKWAYS interest him. Especially Winneconna Parkway. He is getting up in the world, or is someone helping him up or down?

Mike Petri keeps saying, "Miller let's go to Chicago. I would like to get a job and get married to June." His ambitions are fine, BUT HOW IS HIS HEAD, HOT? We shall see. He's all right, the world's all wrong.

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We wonder why Fred Overmeyer has began to favor the big windy city of Chicago? Perhaps someone by the name of Mary Jane is an incentive to him.

By the way, Fred said he was twins when he was born. What is he now?

Someone please ask Pop Powers if he has ever recovered from the shock of almost seeing a truck load of 82 tons of dynamite coming to an abrupt halt in front of camp.

There is a certain new K. P. ("Quart") who really and truly has a dream girl, and what a girl. First it was Deanna Durbin, but his opinion has changed. Now it's Judy Garland. I guess he's tops in camp for girl friends.

MILLER AT A GLANCE

It is a certain fact that Miller, our 2nd cook has been walking in a daze for at least a month.

Perhaps the Love Bug has bitten him too. That must be it because he has quit gambling lately and also seems very interested in the Gary Business College.

OH! SCAMIHORN

Does Paul Scamihorn go home for his health or for company? He said one day, "My, but it's grand being in love." One day he asked the Mess Steward "What's on the menu today, hearts or diamonds -UH- I mean hearts or liver?"

We wonder why Mike Petri sits for hours on end gazing into space and, muttering "you're wonderful June, you're wonderful."

A WORD OR TWO

We are glad to hear that every one that remained in camp over Thanksgiving enjoyed the meals served. We are gratified to find out that our efforts to please you were not in vain.

***** EDUCATIONAL NEWS *****

William T. Stuckey
Educational Advisor

Russell W. Brewer
Assistant Educational Advisor

**Largest First Aid Enrollment In History
Of Camp For October-December Quarter**

The largest enrollment in camp history for first aid indicates the emphasis placed on this activity. The enrollment for the quarter is 100. Discharges have cut this figure to 97.

Since all rated men, all truck drivers, must have first aid cards, this activity is made available to all new men. It has also a definite value to the men in securing

employment in the industrial section. Dr. Malcolm B. Fyfe has charge of the activity.

**Shop Activities Show Big
Enrollment Increase**

Shop activities in woodworking show a big increase over last quarter. There have been more applicants for assignment in shop activities than openings. Two periods per evening, at 6:00 and at 7:30 p.m. for three evenings per

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week, now accommodates 40 members. This does not include a group of eight in Cabinet Making on Tuesdays at 6:00 P.M.

An effort was made at the beginning of the quarter to make the shop the center of activity. This was in accordance with District instructions. It has proved even more successful than had been anticipated.

The company is very fortunate in having three efficient instructors for shop and Cabinet Making. They are Clarence Garbe, Earl Williams and Eddie Walsh. To much credit cannot be given to Mr. Alward, District WPA Supervisor of adult education and Mr. Robert J. Armstrong, Supervisor of WPA Recreational activities, who have been untiring in their efforts to give us an outstanding program.

New equipment and other facilities that have been of invaluable assistance, were provided through the efforts of Robert G. Correll, District Educational Advisor, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

New Furniture For Library Makes Big Improvement

New furniture provided for the reading room and library, together with a new paint job, new wall lights, new bookcases and other facilities has made a big improvement in the educational set-up.

There has been a noted improvement in the number of books read, also in the use of the library for study purposes. Special notice may be given to enrollees Thompson, Duty and Emerson who have each checked out more than one book per week. It is felt that these added improvements and facilities will do much to improve the quality of work done and also add much to the pleasure

and enjoyment of all the members.

High School Completion Course Is Proving To Be Of Increased Interest To New Members

Membership in the high school completion activities is increasing at a very desirable rate. It now has increased to 20 in the last report. The opportunity to prepare for the State High School Equivalency Examinations to be held twice each year appeals to those who have two years or less to go for completion of their high school education. Regular classes are held on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7:00 and 8:00 P.M., in algebra and in health education. A supervised study period is provided from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. on Monday and Tuesday for those who are studying other high school activities, such as English, History, Civics, etc.

ORCHIDS

Orchids to George Wanstreet and Delano Harbert for the excellent service rendered in painting and carpentry work on the educational building and shop. We have not forgotten Wm. Murphy nor Ridenour either. We are sorry to report that Ridenour is now in the Station Hospital, at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, and trust that he will be out soon.

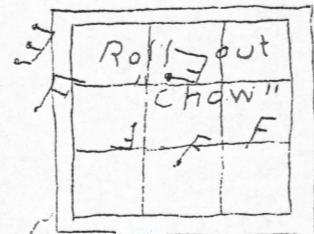
Some Of Our Magazines

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The Saturday Evening Post
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Life
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CARTOONS

By Ray Shaffer

Rabbit Season is here again.



Is This the way you eat?



OUR Brother W.P.A.



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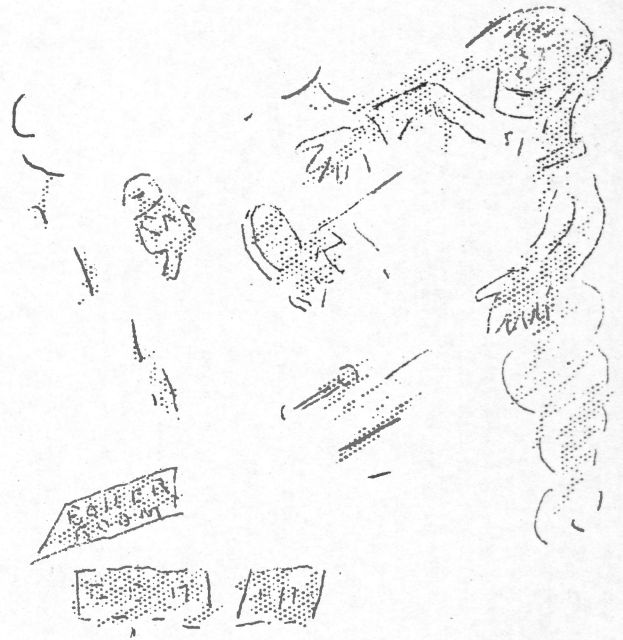


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He said the gun was empty
There couldn't be a shell.
He didn't have a look because
He knew it very well.

He stuck his finger in the barrell.
There came a crash- a shout.
His fingers hardly started in
When buck-shot started out.

-- H. S.



This lad took some gasoline
Into the boiler room.
The camp was soon awakened
By a most tremendous BOOM

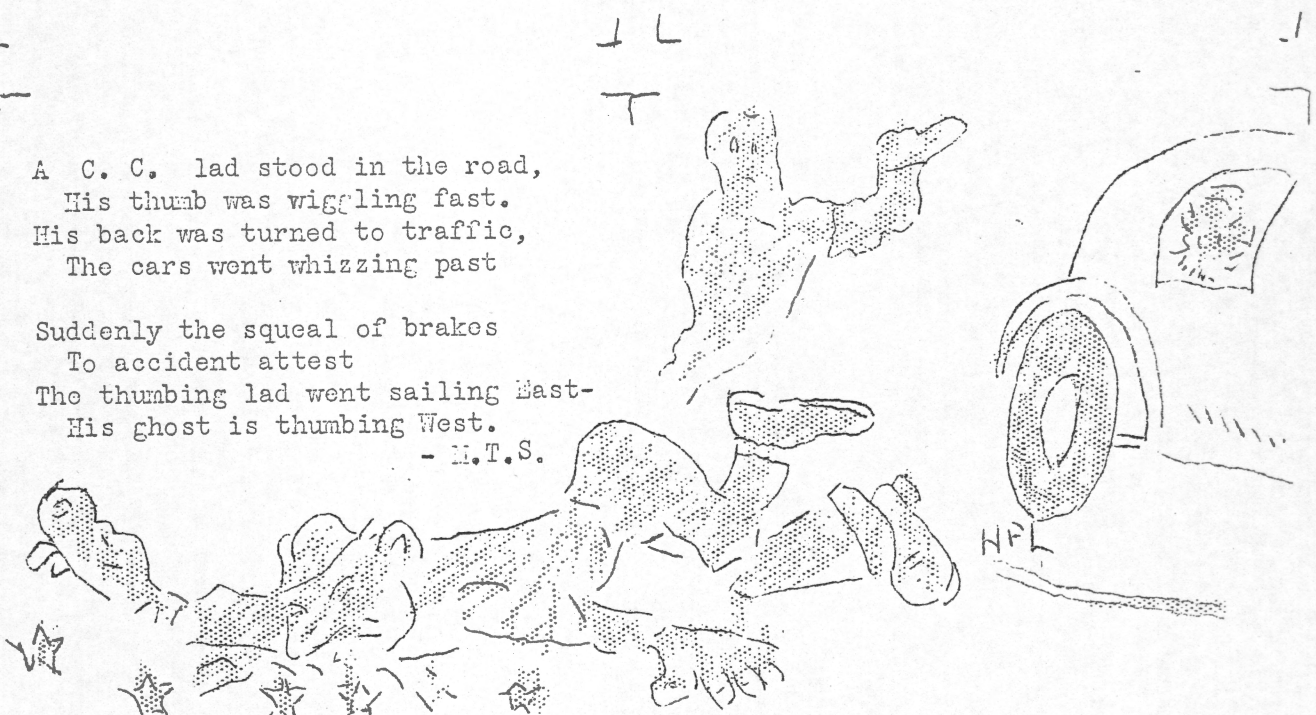
So many things were lying 'round',
We couldn't quite tell whether-
SO - we laid away the C. C. C.
And Boiler here together.

-- H. T. S.

A C. C. lad stood in the road,
His thumb was wiggling fast.
His back was turned to traffic,
The cars went whizzing past

Suddenly the squeal of brakes
To accident attest
The thumbing lad went sailing East-
His ghost is thumbing West.

- H.T.S.



HPL

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE NEWS

By Alvin D. Gingerich

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER SURVEY COMPLETED

The survey of the Little Calumet River, which began in August is at last completed. On Friday, Nov. 24, a group including Mr. H.G. Edwards, Area Engineer of the Soil Conservation Service, Mr. H.H. Lester, Regional Engineer of the SCS, Mr. J.D. Parsons, Area Conservationist, Mr. John G. Sutton of the Soil Conservation Service at Washington, D.C., Mr. Fred F. Schaffer, Regional Drainage Engineer, and Mr. Wells of the Regional Office, met at this camp to discuss the survey and make plans for drafting a report of it to be submitted to Washington. After the meeting the group went to Logansport to finish the report.

Mr. Henry W. Schaffer and Mr. Orville W. Chinn, engineers who were assigned to this camp to make the Little Calumet River survey, left Saturday, November 25 to take up new assignments. Mr. Schaffer went to Logansport to begin work as Assistant Area Engineer. Mr. Chinn left for Camp SCS-5, Bellefontaine, Ohio, where he was formerly stationed.

Foreman Returns From South Bend

Mr. William H. Vanderbosch, foreman at Camp SCS-20, who was temporarily stationed at the South Bend Camp which was recently reoccupied, returned to his home camp Friday, Nov. 24. A very appropriate cartoon, drawn by George McKieghen, greeted Mr. Vanderbosch on his return. The cartoon read "Welcome Home, Mistah

'Van', All is forgiven." Mr. Vanderbosch was glad to be back and everyone was glad to see him.

Due to the fact that the South Bend camp is again occupied, the South Bend Crew of this camp no longer makes the long daily trip to work on the South Bend Projects.

COLLINS LEADS IN MILEAGE

Jack Collins, pickup driver of Company 1583 leads all truck drivers in mileage this month. Joe Pop, night driver, is running in second place.

Three new driver's permits have been issued to enrollees this month. They were issued to C. A. Forester, Gas House Attendant, Ernest Montgomery, and Day Hamrick. There is a crying need for new drivers who know their business. However if you aspire to be a truck driver you must be at least eighteen years of age.

Two new dragline oilers were assigned to duty during this month. They are R. Bradford and W. Wiesner.

NEW RATINGS

George McKieghen and Willard Muse received Leader's ratings on November 13.

Albert "Mac" McKenzie, veteran tool room man, received an Assistant Leader's rating this month.

The kitchen force and the SCS clerks seem to be at peace again. This is a sort of traditional feud and we are all looking forward to another new outburst. We hope the clerks aren't slipping.

THE GARAGE NEWS

THE GARAGE CREW

The following men compose the Garage Crew.

Mr. John Henderson, Mechanic, "Pappy" Ervin, Truckmaster, Al McKenzie, Tool Room Tarzan, Shelley Maddox, Enrollee Mechanic, Clifford Forester, Gas House Attendant and Chid Francis, Dump Truck driver. Pickup drivers are J.W. Collins, Joe E. Pop, Doy Hamrick and Jack Toomey. Stake Truck Drivers are Joe Wojtysiak, "Lefty" Paulsen, George "J. B." Whitler, Ernest Montgomery and Steve Tokarcik.

WE AIM TO SATISFY

The garage crew under the able supervision of Truckmaster Ervin, has been doing a lot of work on the trucks for the pleasure of the crews that have to ride on them. If there are any kicks coming let us know. We will do anything to satisfy you.

Three Drivers Have Licence Revoked

We are sorry to say that we have lost three good truck drivers in the past month. They are Fescko, French and last but not least, "Romeo" Romine. We hope these men will be reinstated before long.

JOKES AND JIBES

We have been wondering whether this is the SCS garage or the Army Garage because the Army Truck and Ambulance are always in to be repaired.

Joe Pop; "Say Wojtysiak, where did you learn to drive truck?"
Wojtysiak; "I inherited it from my Grandpa. He used to drive a horse and buggy."

Francis, what happened? We heard you had plenty of "suction" with the girls in Valpo but lost it all with the gals in Terre Haute. Tell us the reason.

Pappy Ervin; "Say McKenzie, what are you doing with all the grapevines in the Tool Room?"

McKenzie; "O. K., I play Tarzan in my spare time."

We wonder why "Pappy" Ervin always spits when he talks. What's the reason Pappy?

Shelley Maddox must be getting pretty old because at times he seems to act childish. What's the trouble Shelley? Could it be the little woman from Ft. Wayne or one of her daughters?

About 4 O'Clock every afternoon there seems to be a big attraction around the garage. Could it be the neighbors daughter coming home from school?

Our Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep, Oh Lord please give us better eats.

SAVE, BUY AT THE CANTEEN

Combs 10¢	Tooth Brushes 20¢
Cigarette Lighters 20¢	
Face Soap, All 5¢	
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Kodak Verichrome	
616 25¢	
116 25¢	
620 20¢	
120 20¢	
Kodak Panatomic	
FX 828 15¢	