

Captain's Exploits In Sicily Cut Short By Rifle Bullet

(Editor's Note: This is the second and final installment of the story of Capt. Benedict Hausdorf's experiences in Africa. The first installment related his exploits in Africa; this one deals with the invasion of Sicily. Captain Hausdorf is attached to the ASTP unit at the College.)

About a week later enemy resistance in Tunisia folded up. German soldiers drove about in their own vehicles looking for a place to surrender. No guards were stationed at prisoner of war camps; none were necessary.

After a brief rest the battle hardened captain again went through a period of training comparable to the preparation for the African invasion. Shortly after the Fourth of July his company again embarked. Several days later they landed at Gela in Sicily.

Opposition was spotty in Sicily. His company was lucky to land in a spot where it was light. During the fighting there Captain Hausdorf was wounded.

"I was out ahead of my company with a handful of men. We ran into some Italian positions and were soon isolated. They fired at us from all sides.

"We captured a couple of Italians and tried to induce them to persuade their pals to surrender. They were not the surrendering type of Italians. Meanwhile a machine gun had us under heavy fire.

"I had taken an Italian hand grenade from one of the prisoners. My only other weapon was a pistol. I crept up close to the machine gun nest and threw the grenade. The toss was short. Some riflemen who had been protecting the machine gun opened fire and hit me in the stomach.

"I staggered to my feet and ran 20 yards before I collapsed. Then I started crawling and went about a hundred yards before I had to give up. Some of my men had attempted to give me first aid and had dug a hole for me to lie in. I was convinced it was my grave.

"Some of our mortars started dropping shells near me. I lay there for about nine hours before our men rescued me."

No stretchers were available at that sector of the front so they carried him back on a bamboo fence. Italian prisoners then carried him to the beach. From there he was removed to a transport where he received medical attention.

The transport had to lay off shore for three days. Down in the sick bay Captain Hausdorf could hear batteries of ack-ack guns firing salvo after salvo. He knew that the Germans were dive bombing the transports with everything they had. He says that he expected a bomb to come crashing through the deck any minute. Fortunately the Luftwaffe was

not operating with deadly efficiency and the transport landed safely at Africa. He returned to the States and in January was transferred to State College.

As far as magnitude is concerned there can be no comparison between the present Battle of Europe and the African campaign. In Tunisia American forces were comparatively few in number and operated under many handicaps.

Captain Hausdorf, however, points out that in Africa American ground forces first met the vaunted Wehrmacht and took its measure. American tactics, weapons and methods were not found wanting in the acid test of battle.

Football Game-

(Continued from page seven) 37-yard line. The threat was thus ended.

Lions Drive 89 Yards

Penn State's second tally came in the fourth quarter after a drive of 89 yards. With Petchel carrying the ball most of the time, the Lions marched from their own 11-yard line to F & M's 33. Then Larry Cooney, 16-year-old frosh, gained 16 yards on a reverse around the left side of the line. Two plays later he duplicated his previous run to score from the 13-yard marker. Bush's extra point try went to the right.

A poor punt by F & M gave the Lions another opportunity to score. Runs by Dick McCown and Cooney put the ball on the three-yard line. Fullback Ted Wilhelm then hit the line for a touchdown. Joe Drazenovich failed in his attempt for the extra point.

The Diplomats got their only touchdown a few minutes before the regular game ended. Melvin Penrod passed to Sheldon Pfeifer, triple-threat back for the score after F & M recovered a Lion fumble deep in Penn State territory.

Play 10 Minutes Extra

The two coaches agreed to play 10 minutes overtime so that they could use everyone on their squads. During this period Penn State tallied twice.

Bob Urion, who just came out for football, was responsible for the fourth touchdown. He put the ball on the two-yard line from where Harry Muckle crossed the stripe. Floyd Lang's kick was good for the extra point.

The last six-pointer was recorded when Johnny Schlesiger picked a fumbled F & M ball out of mid air and ran 33 yards for a touchdown. Ray Kurowski missed the extra point.

Phi Mu recently pledged Jean Farley, Alberta Finch, Elsie Frantz, and Barbara Stocker. It was erroneously stated they were pledged by Kappa Delta.



"Let's have a family photograph, children. Who knows where we'll be next year?"

Students Could Schedule All Courses In 225 Years

An amateur statistician recently figured that it would take approximately 225 years for a student to schedule and complete all the courses offered by the College if he worked on the four-year plan. Working on the accelerated program, this feat would only require 156 years and 8 months.

The 1944-45 edition of the College catalogue lists 2470 courses in 110 subject matter fields. These figures include 1820 regular courses and 650 graduate courses. Assuming that each is a three credit class, 2470 courses would total about 7400 credits.

Since 130 units is the average requirement for graduate from a regular four-year course, it would take a student 56 such courses to wade through the credits offered. This method of figuring is conservative because graduate courses may be worth as high as 18 credits each and includes a correspondingly greater amount of work.

However, at no time during the school year does the College offer all subjects listed. Each semester the program varies. During the present session the College is only offering 697 courses. In the fall semester of 1941, a record number of 876 courses were being given. At that time the catalogue listed 2250 courses in 91 subject matter fields.

To provide such a program for its students, the College during its fall and spring semesters has a staff of 1415. This includes 864 full-time resident professors, assistant professors, instructors, and people engaged in research. There are also 466 extension service workers and 159 persons in the administrative fields. In 1941 with a record enrollment of 7000, the College had only approximately 622 full-time resident professors, assistant professors, and instructors.

The student body, professors, and courses are divided and organized into seven undergraduate schools and a Graduate School.

SOW BARLEY EARLY

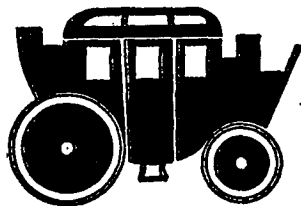
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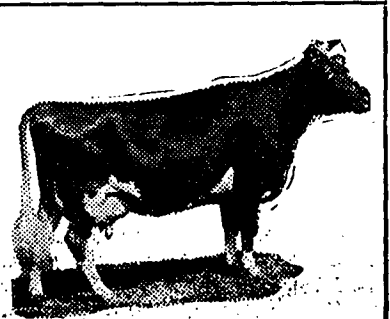
Homecoming-

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