

## MEDICAL MUSINGS

### "TAIL"

(A serial) PART VI.

No reputable and competent doctor will sign a statement that a prostitute is free from venereal disease on the basis of the examination made. Limited examination and occasional blood tests for syphilis and smear tests for gonorrhea serve only to detect the most obvious cases even among those who tell the truth to the doctor and cooperate in every way.

Failure to discover infection by such means does not prove that those examined are not infected. But the madams and men who exploit prostitutes do everything possible, of course, to make it seem that those not definitely found infected are guaranteed to be healthy. And, of course, if she is free from disease when last examined she may have become infected since then. And even if she herself is not infected she may be at anytime a mechanical conveyer of infection from one customer to the succeeding ones. Medical certificates are by no means a reliable basis on which a man may select a prostitute free from disease.

From The Journal of the American Medical Association, Volume 119, No. 8, dated June 20, 1942, page 656:

"Resolution on Control of Venereal Disease:

"WHEREAS, Published reports indicate an increasing prevalence of venereal disease in the armed forces and defense workers of this nation, and

" WHEREAS, Commercialized prostitution constitutes an outstanding factor in the dissemination of these diseases and requires an intensified campaign against their elimination; therefore be it

"RESOLVED, That the house of Delegates of the American Medical

## WALSH PLANS TO CROWN CHAMPS

Association takes the following stand:

1. that the control of venereal disease requires elimination of commercialized prostitution.
2. that medical inspection of prostitutes is untrustworthy and inefficient, gives a false sense of security, and fails to prevent the spread of infection.

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## ACE GUNNER

S Sgt. Vincent C. Truex of the 720th Squadron was declared to be the leading gunner in the Wing by the statistical office on the base. The sergeant has shot down four enemy planes and has credit for a probable. His victims were 2 ME 109's, one FW 190, and one JU 88. His probable was a ME 410.

Sgt Truex has recently completed fifty missions and at the present time is waiting for the rotation plan to affect him. His most memorable experience occurred over Ploesti when his plane was jumped by fighters who pressed the attack relentlessly.

To make matters worse one engine was shot out by flak causing the Liberator to drop behind the formation. The controls were badly damaged and the wing gas tank punctured. Sgt Truex increased his victory score by shooting a ME 109.

"The Kraut got a little careless and came in too close. That was his only, and last mistake. I gave him a few bursts and he dropped out of

## ENTERTAINMENT

MON — "Destination Tokyo" with Cary Grant and John Garfield.

TUES — "G. I. Movies"

WED — "Chip Off The Old Block" with Donald O'Connor.

FRI — "Two Girls and a Sailor" with Lena Horne and Harry James Orch.

the sky with his engine on fire."

Sgt. Truex is of small stature and when one looks at him he seems very harmless, which he is, but when he's behind those twin fifties he's a changed man. There are four "Kraut" pilots in ---- who will not be singing "Deutschland Uber Alles".

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## SWIM MEET

(Cont)

Competitions, using Olympic rules, will be held in the following events. Free Style at 100, 200, 400, 800, meters and 1 mile. 100 meters Back Stroke, 200 meters Breast Stroke, 300 meters medley. 300 meters medley relay, 300 meters relay, 3 meters dive, 10 meters platform dive, Long distance 3-5 miles, and Water Polo.

There will be no limit as to the number of events each contestant may enter.

The winners selected as a result of this meet will represent this Zone in the Theatre finals to be held on the 18, 19 and 20 of August at a spot not yet named.

All entries must be made to the Special Service office on or before July 18, Tuesday.