

# BUFFALO

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## BUFFALO YALU VETS REMINISCE

Two Yalu vets who participated in the drive to the Manchurian border with the BUFFALO Regiment recently rehashed combat experiences when they met in "Item" Company.

First Lt. Edward Soltanoff, company commander, joined the BUFFALO Regiment in November, 1949, at Sendai, Japan. M/Sgt. Thomas R. Vail, 1st platoon sergeant, was assigned to the regiment when it

moved to Camp Fuji to reorganize and form the 3rd Battalion. Sergeant Vail was one of the original members of Item Company.

The two Infantrymen participated in the Inchon and Iwon landings during the early stages of the Korean conflict. Lieutenant Soltanoff at that time was executive officer of "Able" Company.

During the push to the Yalu River in November of 1950, Lieutenant Soltanoff was wounded and evacuated to Japan. He returned to Korea in November, 1952, and was assigned to Item Company. One month later he assumed command of the unit.

Sergeant Vail rotated home in September of 1951. While in the States he volunteered for duty in Korea and requested that he be assigned to his old outfit. Rejoining the BUFFALOES in July of 1952, the 39-year-old BUFFALO was awarded the Bronze Star for Valor for his part in the bloody battle for "Triangle Hill." When all the officers of Vail's Company were killed or wounded during the bitter fighting, he took command of the unit and successfully led them in repulsing the enemy attacks.

"This is the best outfit I've served with since I've been in the service," complimented Sergeant Vail.

"It certainly is," agreed Lieutenant Soltanoff, "and it's great to have a man in my unit who was one of the first to reach the Yalu. He is the only man in the Army who ever got a two and a half ton truck in it," he added.

Sergeant Vail had no additional comments.

## IN KOREA

American Sabre Jet pilots have blasted a hole in the Red air force over North Korea. The Sabre Jets shot down seven Communist MIGs and damaged three more Wednesday in 16 twisting dogfights. It was the second biggest kill for 1953.

Meanwhile, UN fighter-bombers blasted a rail bridge across the Taeryong River where Allied aircraft last week destroyed or damaged 34 key Red supply bridges.

On the ground, Allied tanks, for the sixth consecutive day, shot-up Red bunkers and gun positions on the east central front between Chorwon and Kumsu. Elsewhere on the ground action was limited to light probing attacks and short patrol clashes.

The Army has announced the draft call for March will be the same as February, 53,000.

## WHITE HOUSE NEWS

President Eisenhower began the monumental job of carrying out his campaign-promise "crusade" yesterday.

Among other things which the new President accomplished during his first day in office, he worked on his "State of the Union" message to Congress. A definite time for delivery of the message has not yet been set.

All cabinet appointees were approved by the Senate except Charles Wilson, Eisenhower's key designate for Secretary of Defense.

USAFI—your guide to the future.

By Cpl. Frank Espinoza



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## SPORTS

Gordie Howe of the Detroit Red Wings continues to roll along as the leading scorer in the National Hockey League. The Motor City winger has 29 goals and 24 assists to his credit for a total of 53 points, nine more than runnerup Wally Hergesheimer of the cellar-dwelling New York Rangers.

The top goalie in the league is Terry Sawchuck of the pace-setting Red Wings. In 35 games Sawchuck has allowed only 68 pucks to pass him for a 1.94 goals-per-game average. The Detroit netminder has five shutouts to his credit. Jerry McNeil of the Montreal Canadiens has permitted 82 goals in 38 games for a 2.34 average-per-game and is runnerup to Sawchuck. McNeil has blanked the opposition on six occasions.

### \*\*COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD\*\*

Alabama.....60	Mississippi..54
LSU.....55	Georgia.....50
Nebraska.....73	Missouri.....62
Notre Dame.....74	Bradley.....64
Wisconsin.....64	Ohio State...51
Indiana.....88	Purdue.....75
Iowa.....69	Northwestern.68
Illinois.....76	Michigan St..64
VMI.....76	Hamp. Sydney..46

### UP Weekly Ratings

1. Seton Hall; 2. Indiana; 3. Washington; 4. Kansas State; 5. Illinois; 6. LaSalle; 7. Oklahoma A&M; 8. North Carolina State; 9. Kansas; and 10. Notre Dame.

Dizzy Dean and Al Simmons have been elected to baseball's Hall of Fame.

Dean received 209 ballots—11 more than necessary for election.

Simmons won it by one ballot more than required, receiving 199. Bill Terry missed out this year by seven votes and Joe DiMaggio finished eighth with a total of 117 votes.

Robin Roberts, baseball's winningest pitcher in 1952, signed his 1953 contract Wednesday with the Philadelphia Phillies for an estimated \$40,000. This is the highest salary in the Phillies' history.

Jack Kramer overpowered Australia's Frank Sedgman in two fast sets Wednesday night in Louisville, Kentucky, 6-3, 6-2, cutting Sedgman's lead in their professional tennis tour at six matches to four.

Fancho Segura took his seventh straight match without defeat from Ken MacGregor, 8-6, 6-4.

James Line, former University of Kentucky basketball star, testified yesterday that William Spivey, Kentucky All American player, agreed before the 1950-51 season to help fix scores for \$1,000 a game.

Spivey is accused of falsely telling a grand jury that he never discussed basketball "fixes" and never accepted bribes.

### HOCKEY RESULTS

#### American Hockey League

St. Louis..... 9 Providence... 6

#### Western Hockey League

Calgary..... 4 New Westin'ter 2

Victoria..... 1 Vancouver.... 1

#### International Hockey League

Fort Wayne..... 5 Grand Rapids. 2

### PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL RESULT

Indianapolis...70 Rochester....59

(AFPS) Cleveland outfielder Bob Kennedy, WWII fighter pilot recalled by the Marines last May, has received a dependency discharge and will rejoin the Indians this spring. Other Tribe players returning from service are Al Aber, Dick Weik, Herb Adams, Jim Lemon and Doug Hansen.

A resolution was introduced in the Minnesota Legislature to allow televising of all University of Minnesota home athletic contests.

The resolution said that while the University is a "state institution supported by state funds for the benefit and use of Minnesota citizens, unfortunately many cannot secure tickets to contests, and many cannot afford to attend."

THE MARCH OF DIMES IS IN FULL SWING. ARE YOU IN STEP???