

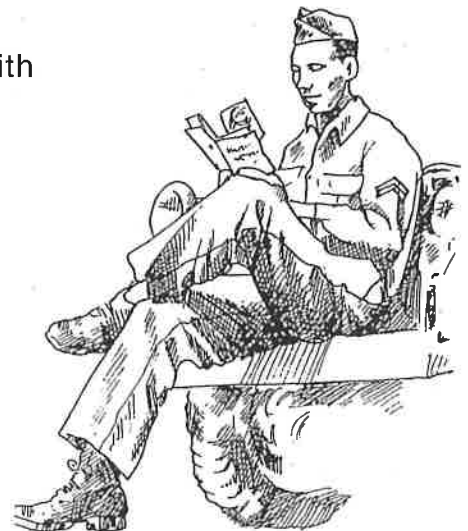
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## The Infantry in Europe: Part III

Read the questions below about how the soldiers relaxed on the European front. Answer each question using a word from the box below. Use reference sources or the Internet to help determine the correct answers.

<b>jokes</b>	<b>Red Cross</b>	<b>Stars and Stripes</b>	<b>relax</b>	<b>food</b>
<b>baseballs</b>	<b>newspapers</b>	<b>photographs</b>	<b>combat</b>	<b>mail</b>

1. Combat was exhausting, both physically and mentally. It was important for the men to find ways to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Even near the front, soldiers often told \_\_\_\_\_ as a way to relax.
3. At times, the Army Service Forces brought in \_\_\_\_\_ so the men could play ball.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_, an international relief agency based in Switzerland, sometimes traveled to the front to pass out doughnuts or provide entertainment.
5. The army distributed a newspaper called the \_\_\_\_\_ to the men. It raised their morale because it was written in an upbeat and humorous manner.
6. The army made an effort to deliver the \_\_\_\_\_ to the soldiers as often as possible.
7. Sometimes, the mail would be several weeks late because the troops were in \_\_\_\_\_.
8. At times, the men received packages from home with \_\_\_\_\_ that they shared with their friends.
9. It would lift the men's spirits to receive letters with \_\_\_\_\_ of their family members and friends.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ that were sent from their hometowns allowed soldiers to keep up with what was going on at home.



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## The Infantry in Europe: Part II

Read the questions below about how the soldiers lived and fought on the European front. Answer each question using a word from the box below. Use reference sources or the Internet to help determine the correct answers.

<b>dog food</b>	<b>frostbite</b>	<b>K-rations</b>	<b>toilet paper</b>	<b>portable</b>	<b>GIs</b>
<b>rations</b>	<b>backpacks</b>	<b>fire</b>	<b>trucks</b>		

1. Soldiers were often called \_\_\_\_\_, which was short for "government issue."
2. Infantrymen often had to eat cold field \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Field rations were \_\_\_\_\_ meals that consisted of a main dish, biscuits, dried fruit, instant coffee, candy, gum, and cigarettes.
4. Individual C-rations came in cans, and \_\_\_\_\_ were boxed.
5. The C-rations were better than the K-rations, which were often compared to \_\_\_\_\_.
6. If the infantrymen could build a \_\_\_\_\_ without attracting enemy shells, they could heat up the canned rations.
7. Sometimes, kitchens on \_\_\_\_\_ could provide a hot meal.
8. In motorized divisions, soldiers slept in bedrolls in trucks or in tents. Many soldiers, however, slept on a blanket on the ground or in a hole. They used their \_\_\_\_\_ for pillows.
9. The soldiers were chilled to the bone and sometimes numb with \_\_\_\_\_ by morning.
10. Even \_\_\_\_\_ was rationed.  
Each man received 22 sheets per day.

