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A "Struggle Pit" is the American Army's latest idea for toughening up their new recruits. The object is for the two teams of fifty men spices to threw each other clean out of the pit - bedily. They seem to have taken a few hints from the Eton Wall Game - anyway the rules are much the same. Gouging, torture helds, and excessive kicking are barred - otherwise anything goes!

At the trivial cost of a few bloody noses and bruises, the "struggle pit" has proved a really knock-out success. teams of fifty GIs, on the whistle, charge at each other in the thirty foot square, three and a half foot deep pit. The idea's to toss the other side out -- bodily. Excepting only kicking, gouging, fists and torture holds, anything goes in this muscle maybem.

The "Struggle Pit" is the Signal Corps' cure for Mamma's boys. Two

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At a cost mi only of bloody noses, cut lips, bruises, charley horses, head konks, lumps and a rare hospitalization, the pit has been enormously successful.

The idea, the Signal Corps says, is to help make basic trainees willing and confident to engage in rough and tumble combat with the enemy. The GIs seem to thrive on it. Yes eir, there's no room for sissies in this man's Army.