

G.I.'s AWARD OWN OSCARS.

Motion pictures having been the mainstay of entertainment for troops in the field, American soldiers decided to pick their own favourite stars, and at Washington the Hollywood winners came to receive the Oscars awarded by the Army. Jennifer Jones got the prize for straight acting.... Eddie Bracken was voted the outstanding comedian.

Leo McCarey won the directing honours for brilliant work in "Going My Way". Rita Hayworth, voted glamour girl No. 1, acknowledged the honour in the most popular way possible.

The one and only Bing Crosby scored as best actor and singer, obviously ^{an} ~~the~~ occasion for a ~~tribute to~~ ^{crack at} Bob Hope.

*"But Hope & I are good friendly
swabs I know you
appreciate that and
I don't want you to
believe anything else
because actually there's
nothing in the world I
wouldn't do for Bob Hope
& I feel there's nothing
in the world he wouldn't
do for me. That's the
way we go thru life doing
nothing for each other"*

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2. G.I. critics. All over the world--in Africa, Germany and Pacific islands, they see the movies--and now through an Army Pictorial service poll, they name their own champs. At Washington's Walter Reed Hospital, presentation of their Oscars. In one month G.I. shows totaled 35 million admissions. Now, the five lucky winners are here from Hollywood to receive their awards. To Jennifer Jones, an Army Oscar as the best actress. The soldiers salute Eddie Braeken, a young man on the way up, as the best comedian. Leo McCarey, director of "Going My Way", the G.I.'s favorite movie. And Rita Hayworth is picked as the Army's favorite glamour girl. Miss Hayward expresses her thanks by kissing Private Martin Leeds of the Bronx. Last, but far from least of the stars is Bing Crosby, G.I. choice for best actor. Then, in a less serious vein, Bing says: But all kidding aside, they've done plenty for the G.I.'s.