



STAGE DOOR—After a performance in the Southwest Pacific, members of the cast of an all-Negro fund, serve in the canteen.

War Not Over For Most Agencies

The excitement has died down, but the war isn't over yet for thousands of servicemen still in uniform. For months, may be years to come, our service men will be required to police the countries they have conquered. They need relaxation, entertainment, relief from boredom, remembrance from the people at home.

OSO-Camp Shows, USO clubs, Seamen's Service Centers, and traveling troupes of entertainers are the best way these boys can be kept in contact with home. "Made-in-America" laughs are the touch they need to make them feel less the weariness of serving as occupation troops in Japan, Korea, Germany, and other far-flung spots.

Wacs Plan Homes After Discharge From Army

CAMP JOHN T. KNIGHT, Oakland, Calif.—Uncle Sam's 180 Negro nieces here in Oakland, who were at his side when he emerged victorious over his foes in May and August, are now planning to improve conditions within the family circle once their final war job is finished.

Red Cross Needs Volunteer Help

The Red Cross has to stay on the job as long as needed to serve the armed forces. The road ahead to peace is filled with unfinished tasks which need Red Cross personnel and services. In turn, the Red Cross depends upon the cooperation of the people, given generously during war years.

For months ahead, volunteer workers will be needed for sewing, canteen, staff assistance, motor corps, gray ladies, arts and skills, knitting, nurse's aides. The nurse's aide corps, a wartime volunteer service, will remain on the job until our Army and Navy nurses return. Registrations for new classes are being taken.

At present much sewing remains to be done in Multnomah County chapter for servicemen in army and navy hospitals, for Philippine relief, and layettes and clothing for servicemen's families. Thousands of sweaters were knitted for wounded veterans. Red Cross at 1506 S. W. Alder street is open for sewing from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. or women can join their nearest neighborhood sewing unit.

Red Cross needs women hospital workers and social workers for paid positions in army and navy hospitals; men field directors for military bases; women field assistants for clerical duties at separation centers. The Personnel Recruitment office at the Red Cross, Atwater 8561, has additional information.

Home service counsel and aid for veterans and their families is available at the Chapter house and at branch offices in Vanport and Gresham.

Home nursing, nutrition, first aid and water safety classes are being organized regularly as a part of the health, safety and educational peace-time program of the Red Cross.

She will become a mortician, either through a course of study under the GI Bill of Rights or as a mortician's apprentice. At present she is aiding the work of the Port as a file clerk in the Overseas Supply Division.

The company has a fine example of foresightedness and ambition for the advancement and well being of their fellowmen in their Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Victoria Poole, who is herself planning to spend the first two years following her release from the Army taking additional training for social service.

Lieutenant Poole, formerly an art and physical training instructor at Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana, will combine her new career with that of a housewife, for since enlisting in the WAC she has married First Lieutenant Charles W. Poole, of Sandusky, Ohio.

Lieutenant Poole's company is made up of WAC units assembled at Oakland from all over the country during the last few months as the need for additional clerical help at the Base became urgent. Detachments arrived from Fort Riley, Kansas; Des Moines, Iowa; Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia; Camp Maxie, Texas, and, more recently, from the New York Port of Embarkation.

Personnel of the company includes forty-five Wacs who received the Meritorious Award last May for their utter selflessness in treating victims of the tornado that struck Antlers, Oklahoma, in April. These were the Camp Maxie Wacs. On duty at the Army Regional hospital 25 miles north of Antlers, the women remained at their posts for 24 hours and then returned to duty after a five-hour rest.

On the recommendation of the commanding officer of the post, the "medics" received the honorary wreath to wear on their shirts and blouses.

First Lieutenant Gladys Gould, then commanding officer of the unit and now executive officer to Lieutenant Poole, received a letter of commendation.



PORTLAND—Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, well known Portlanders, open a luncheonette in the basement of their home at the corner of N. Tillamook and Williams Avenue. Photographer catches son Jimmy busy at the grill (left foreground) with Mr. and Mrs. Proctor taking it easy (both resting on elbows center of picture). Other workers and patrons not identified.—Photo by Margaret C. Robinson.

Price Control of Housing Urged

"In my opinion we face a highly explosive situation in the whole field of home building, home ownership, and rent control," Chester Bowles, OPA administrator, declared in a wire to the Portland district OPA office today. "Unless the real estate interests, the building industry and the public join with the Government to meet the issue head on, the danger of inflation in this all-important field will grow rapidly."

"If we fail to handle this problem with courage and good judgment," Bowles continued, "we're inviting a repetition of real estate and home building 'boon-and-bust' experience which helped to bring on the collapse of 1929."

Bowles said that the "OPA is going to stay on the price control job in this important field of building material pricing and rent control."

The OPA program divides into four parts:

1. Rent controls will be relinquished in any rental area only when the danger of a general increase in that area is eliminated—no other means, only when the normal bargaining situation between landlord and tenant has been restored.

2. OPA is already working on a program sharply tightening control over building material prices, most of the fixtures and household equipment which goes into a new home, and constructive services.

New dollar-and-cents prices will cover lumber, insulation, brick, soil pipe, etc., and millwork items, such as doors, windows and cabinets, bathtubs, septic tanks and wash basins. There will also be ceilings for painting and papering, renewing a roof, for installing plumbing, digging cellars, etc.—prices will take local wage rates into consideration.

3. OPA expects the great majority of builders to support its "all-out enforcement" of these new regulations for the protection of their customers. Bowles was confident that OPA would have the backing of industry against those who attempt to violate price control over building costs.

4. Under the Price Control Act, OPA has the power to control rents, the price of building materials and the amount that a contractor can charge for his services. OPA lacks the power, however, to protect a prospective home owner from paying an inflated price for an old house or for a new house built by some development firm or speculator.

"It is generally conceded that the present inflation in real estate will persist," Bowles declared, "and spread to new construction unless vigorous steps are taken to prevent it." He pointed out that there are one million and a half soldiers who have been married since the war began. "I believe these boys will be shocked to find the kind of prices which are now being asked for a modest home in many of our major cities," Bowles declared.

Boycott on White Grocery Pledged Following Attack

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (ANP)—A pledge to boycott the white-owned Daylight Grocery store here was made last week by local citizens following a recent brutal attack on a wounded Negro veteran by an unknown white man.

T/4 Sylvester Bryant, now recovering from wounds at the Camp Butler hospital received on Okinawa during his 18month overseas, was the victim. He went into the store to purchase a case of beer but did not have enough empty bottles to satisfy the white saleswoman. An unknown white man in the store heard the conversation between him and the woman clerk, especially Bryant's frantic efforts to get the beer without the necessary bottles.

When the white sales clerk refused to even accept cash for the missing bottles, the white man is reported to have said: "Nigger, you don't need any beer."

Without further argument, he struck the wounded veteran in the right eye with a beer bottle, breaking it and the eye glasses he was wearing. Bryant received treatment at Maxwell Field hospital for cuts about the face.

The management of the store apologized to Maxwell Field MPs and the victim but a movement to boycott the store is under way by indignant citizens. An effort by the NAACP to learn the identity of the assailant proved futile. The white saleswoman told investigating police officers that Bryant cursed her during the course of their conversation about the beer. The veteran denied the charges.

SOLDIER HEROES

Yes—"their blood has dyed the beaches" Mixed with mud of foreign sod. Bodies bleeding, torn and mangled-souls Hurling in haste before their God! Merely "boys" who'd left their homeland Left to fight as knights of old— That might and tyrants should not conquer Bled and died these heroes bold! Take the torch they've handed to you— Their ideals and ours the same— Till in every land and nation May love, peace, hope and freedom flame!

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Signed: Charles Rawlins, W. M. Enterprise Lodge No. 1 Boyce Strain, W. M. Excelsior Lodge No. 23

Sgt. Goodlow of Vanport Released From Army at P. A. A. B.

In keeping with the policy of the Army Air Forces to discharge, as rapidly as possible, men desiring separation from the service, Sgt. Alfred Goodlow of Vanport, Oregon, the son of Mrs. Georgiana Martin, who lives at Silvercreek, Miss., and who for the past three years has served in the Army Air Forces as a refueling specialist, was reverted to inactive status last week, according to a statement made by Col. E. B. Bayley, Commanding Officer of Portland Army Air Base.

Sgt. Goodlow holds the Good Conduct Medal and the Expert's Medal for proficiency with the carbine and rifle. He will return to Vanport before resuming his occupation that of club steward. Goodlow patriotically responded to the call for men when our country was in dire need of a military striking force. His service to the United States Army Air Forces contributed greatly to our victory.

West Coast Race Relation Surveyed

The Journal of Educational Sociology, printed at New York University, has just completed a thorough study of race relations on the United States West Coast, which will be published in its November issue.

Dr. L. D. Reddick, editor of the special number, spent most of the past summer traveling through the western states, interviewing hundreds of public officials, industrial, commercial and labor leaders and ordinary citizens. During Dr. Reddick's exploratory trip, arrangements were made with experts to carry out intensive surveys of conditions in Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; San Francisco and Los Angeles, California and certain smaller towns.

These findings, together with official reports of plans and prospects, will be published under the title: "Race Relations on the Pacific Coast."

Finance Agencies Set to Go on Homes

WASHINGTON — More than 10,000 private financial institutions in every part of the United States are equipped to start on the financing of America's post-war home building and modernization program with the aid of Federal Housing Administration insurance, as materials and labor become available, FHA Commissioner Raymond M. Foley said. Back of these home financing institutions are the 99 field offices of FHA. They include 62 insuring offices, one underwriting office, 31 valuation stations and five service stations throughout 48 states.

With the war over, Foley said FHA is returning to its program of home mortgage insurance under Title II of the National Housing Act and looks for an early expansion in all normal peacetime operations, including home modernization and repair loans under Title I.

Approximately 8,400 institutions in all states have made Title II loans to finance the purchase or construction of private homes. All types of financial institutions are participating in the FHA program—commercial banks, national and state, savings and loan association, mortgage companies, insurance companies, savings banks, state investing institutions, foundations and others.

FHA has authority to insure approximately \$2,000,000,000 of home financing, and the President has been empowered by Congress to increase this another billion dollars as soon as the need becomes apparent.

Ban Against "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Play Is Now Lifted

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (ANP)—The ban against the stage production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was lifted here last week.

In announcing that the play will come here for three performances at the Civic auditorium, City Controller Perry Rodman said that the ban was being lifted in response to a wave of protests larger than those received against permitting the play to be staged here.

Rodman's cancellation of the first booking of the musical version of Harrie Beecher Stowe's novel followed protests from the Bridgeport Industrial Union council, CIO; Bridgeport Pastors' association, the Communist party and Negro community leaders. These groups charged that the play recalled conditions best forgotten.

The show's booking for New Haven on Sept. 29 has been cancelled.

don herold says:



Let's imagine there are only two people in the United States—you and I.

We can't expect the government to take care of us—because there isn't any government—there's just you and I.

If I loaf and don't make a thing, that means YOU have to take care of me.

One of the greatest mistakes we can make is to think of the government as somebody else. The U. S. is now over 200 billions in debt. If I loaf, that means that YOU and I go further into debt to take care of me.

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