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RUNNING THE BLINKER.—Aboard a troop transport manned by coast guardsmen somewhere in the southwest Pacific, Edward Fitzpatrick, signalman third class, from Niagara Falls, N. Y., "blinks" a message. Note table of plane markings.



RELAXATION.—Mrs. Paula Vassar Arling, wife of Lt. Arthur E. Arling, USNR cameraman, at a Beverly Hills pool.



ACTRESS BECOMES CITIZEN.—Motion Picture Star Joan Fontaine signs paper on becoming a United States citizen while her husband, Actor Brian Aherne looks on. Miss Fontaine was born in Tokyo of British parents.



SINGS WITH BIRDS.—Janet Bush, American soprano, practices her songs at home with some of her collection of 34 birds. Her unusual aviary includes finches, canaries, parakeets, sikins and Java sparrow.



GIRL INSPECTOR.—Helen Dykstra, member of the U. S. Navy staff of inspectors, checks over a radio transmitter for aircraft built in the Westinghouse plant at Mansfield, Ohio. Each transmitter has from 4,000 to 5,500 parts.



... ENJOYS HIS DINNER.—Tike, lion cub who had to be taken from his mother because she was too rough, gets his dinner from a bottle held by Mrs. William T. A. Cully, wife of the director of the Kansas City zoo.



MAYORAL CHIT-CHAT.—New York's Mayor F. H. LaGuardia engages in conversational pleasantries with Singer Jeanette MacDonald at a Stage Door Canteen broadcast.



FOR COUNTRY LIVING.—Motion Picture Player Ann Savage models a smart western costume for riding and outdoor work in the country. The pants are of beige twill and the shirt is red with narrow piping in white.



GIRLS FOR TUNNEL OFFICERS.—Newly appointed women tunnel officers, replacing men in defense jobs or the army, march to work at the Queens midtown tunnel, New York City.



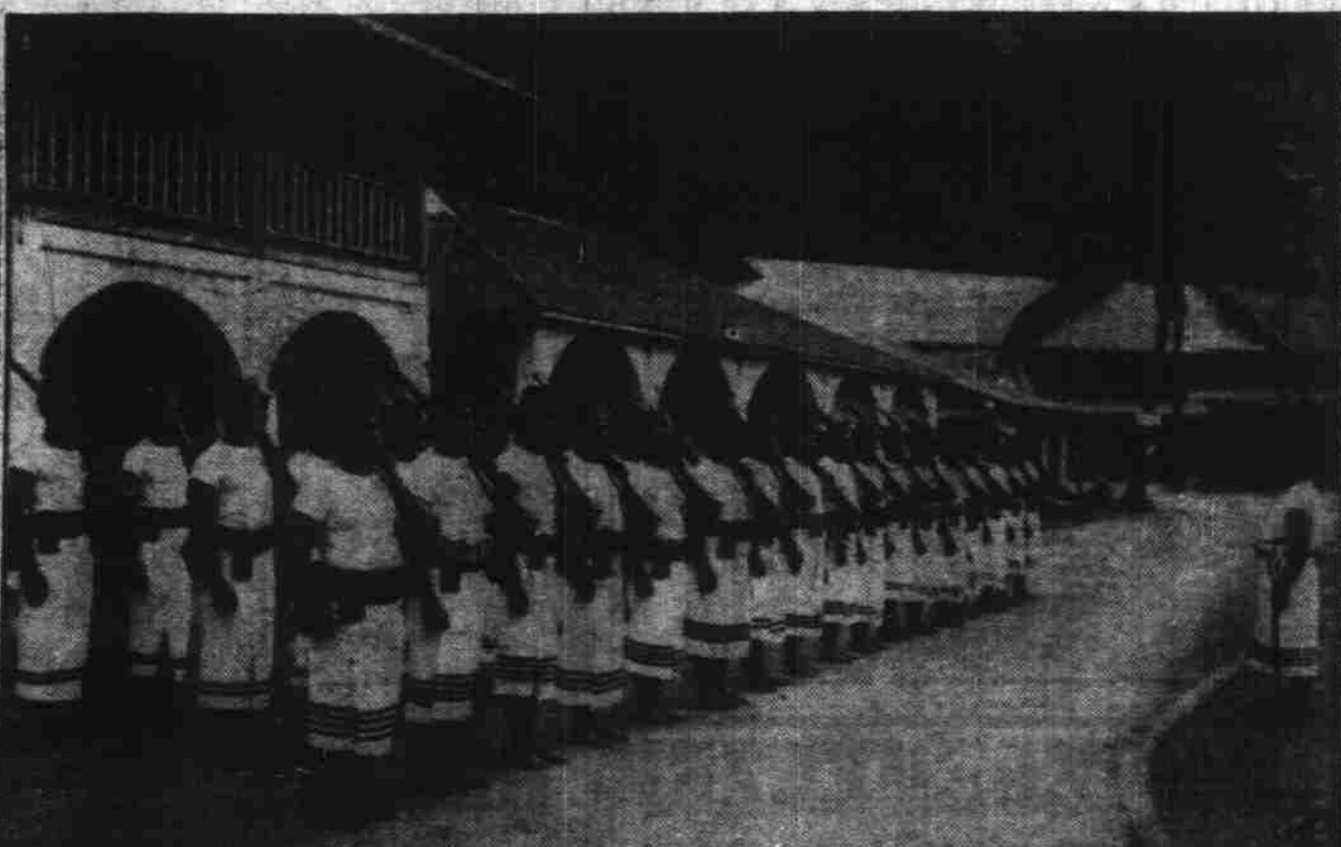
SLACK SUIT.—Martha O'Driscoll models a navy cotton gabardine play suit with fitted shorts under the slacks.



DAINTY AND DEMURE.—Dorothy Stickney, Broadway star, wears an evening dress with off-the-shoulder neckline, a New York creation of black mousseline de soie. The gadget beside her is an old European music box, one of her collection of music boxes from all parts of the world.



ARTISTIC MAESTRO.—Xavier Cugat, known for his rumba music, demonstrates another of his talents with a caricature of Comedian Garry Moore. The maestro has caricatured numerous celebrities, including himself.



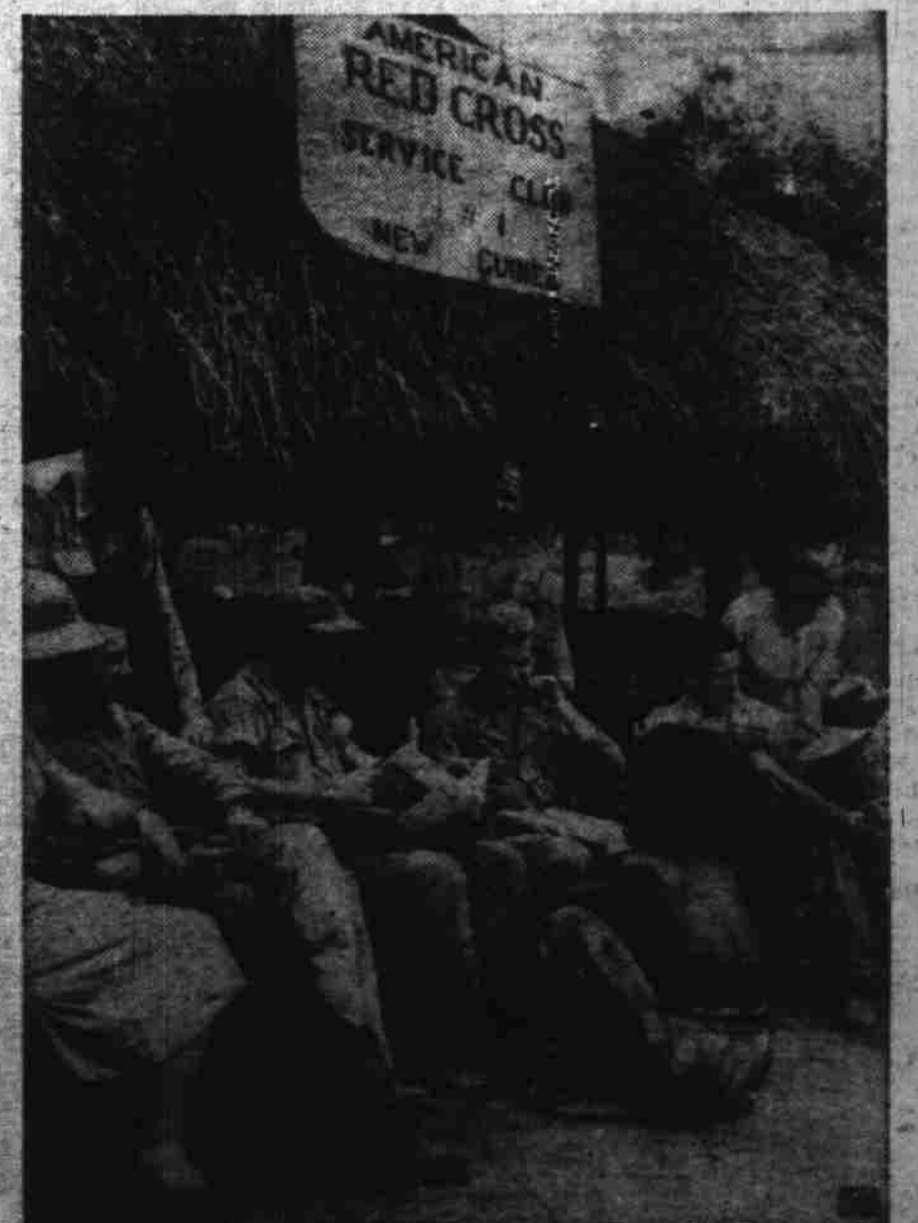
SKIRTED NAVY UNIT.—Members of the Fita-Fita Guard of American Samoa, who wear skirts as part of their regulation Navy uniforms, stand at "left shoulder arms" along a roadway. Blue stripes on the bottom of their lava-lavas (skirts) denote rank—two stripes for apprentice seaman, four for seaman first class. This U. S. Navy outfit dates back to 1925.



BLONDE.—Marines don't think blondes are dumb, a number of leathernecks have assured Actress Penny Singleton (above). Penny, whose husband, Robert Sparks, is a captain in the USMC, gets lots of fan mail from the corps.



WELL-DRESSED WORKERS.—What the well-dressed war worker is wearing, as soon as a great crowd pined. The worker at left wears gabardine slacks, the man at right a cotton twill ensemble, while both sport Panama hats.



NEW GUINEA CLUBHOUSE.—A Papuan native, paying an informal call, squats before American guests at the first American Red Cross Service Club in the New Guinea theatre of war—a converted grass-hatched native building.