

Vignettes of Army Life— CHRISTMAS EVE BY T/4 R. C. JOHNSON

It's sometimes possible to find happiness for yourself in watching the happiness in others.

This was discovered on Christmas Eve by Joe Rookie, who was more than 3,000 miles from his own hearth and had hated the thoughts of experiencing his first Christmas "alone".

On Christmas Eve, he went into town to finish some last-minute shopping which came as a matter of course rather than pleasure.

Once back in camp, Joe wandered into the Service Club and there was met with a surging group of soldiers and their buddies and friends who seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Over in one of the shadowy corners, near the giant and gay Christmas tree, he saw a mother and son.

sunshine as she watched her son untie his presents she had brought. She reflected his happiness. They had obviously been separated by the war for many months.

In the balcony, leaning on the rail with a smile as big as life, he saw another mother. She was a large Italian woman, and she too showed signs of a work-a-day life.

Across the room, the piano tinkled with Christmas carols, and the combined voices of happy soldiers swelled through the club.

"Silent Night, Holy Night," All is Calm, All is Bright," ran the words. It was a "silent and holy night" and "all was bright."

In a reverie of pleasant and cheerful thoughts Joe realized that Christmas was here. He began to feel it in the air. It was going to be a grand Christmas after all.

He leaned back in his chair and closed his eyes, listening to the music and drinking in the noises of merriment about him. It wasn't so bad being so darned far from home, after all.

Front Line Stuff



"But I tell you it's no longer necessary to keep notifying your draft board of your whereabouts."

Announces Betrothal At Nurse Yule Fete

Lts. Jessup, Antoinette Rinaldi, Met at Medics

Sometimes even extra-good parties are blessed with something just a little more extra and so it was that the Christmas Eve party for the nurses of Station Hospital given at the nurses' club, was spiced by the surprise announcement of the engagement of a couple of grand young people who "met at the medics", fell in love and there you are.

In an envelope pulled from under the beautifully lighted Christmas tree in the yule-gay club room, which has just been completely decorated, was a little poem written by Head Nurse Hyndes.

Sung to the tune of "Jingle Bells" by a quartet of lovely nurses, it told of the betrothal of Lt. Antoinette Rinaldi, 22, petite brunette who was one of the original "cadre" of nurses at this post and Lt. D. R. Jessup, 22, attached to Station Hospital.

Lt. Rinaldi, whose parents reside in Poughkeepsie, New York, came to Camp Adair on Aug. 29. Lt. Jessup, whose home is in Glendale, Calif., and who studied engineering at the University of California, arrived at Station Hospital, Aug. 15.

A cheery and helpful Santa Claus who dispensed gifts and mingled with the nurses and guests was Captain Richard Terrell.

96TH DIVISION OFFICERS DANCE

Some surprise presentation will feature a New Year's Eve dance-party at the new 96th Division Officers' club. Among distinguished guests will be Major General James L. Bradley, Brigadier General Claudius M. Easley and Brigadier General Paul V. Kane. Noise makers in abundance are promised and de luxe refreshments.

15 Acts in Huge Revue To Bid Old Year Adieu

(Continued From Page 1) sketches and skits, appearing more than once.

The Great Virgil "The Great Virgil" will entertain with a full hour of his magic artistry. The three golden-voiced Lewis Sisters are up for several renditions. It seems that the Ten Delectables who are destined to smash hit into the grand finale, are as mysterious as they are beautiful. Where they came from nobody knows and where they are bound—ditto. They may arrive by parachute from Corvallis at dusk.

Something extra is the Great Prof. Atlas. The Prof. is, perhaps the only man in the world able to get out of a straitjacket in 30 seconds, lay ten grand straight across that he can, do it, pick up the money, and walk a straight line out of the place 20 seconds later with a straight face. Soldiers can't do it.

New Stage

For the first time, also, the New Year Jamboree will be presented on a full-sized stage, newly-built with proscenium—all the essential properties to do a big thing in a big way.

time, get your seat and let nature take its course. A look over into the column of "who's who" in the east, will help give you an inkle of what to expect tonight. But just an inkle, mind you. You'll have to stroll over to Field House and find out (for free) the rest.

About The Cast Offering: a series of "10 second sketches" about the artists who will tonight help you roll out the old year and roll in the new, in the huge Jamboree starting 9 p. m. at Field House. They are not logged necessarily in order either of appearance or importance in the revue, but as the facts came from Personnel Manager of the show, Pvt. Lennie Green:

THE GREAT VIRGIL—a full hour of the program will be commanded by the special act of this master magician known as Virgil Mulkey in private life. "The Great Virgil" presents an act of mystery, sleight-of-hand, black out and sketches and is known throughout the west as one of the top exponents of the mysterious. "The Great Virgil" will bring his complete set of props and full stage equipment.

THREE LEWIS SISTERS—Rapidly gaining note as a singing trio are Doris, Patty and Betty Lewis, three of the five daughters of Lt. Col. Robert L. Lewis, commanding officer of the 361st F.A. of the 96th Div. All students at Corvallis high school, the Lewis Sisters have given a number of performances at Camp Adair. After you see them tonight, it will be needless to explain why they were hits.

THE TEN DELECTABLES—Amazon goddesses, known from coast to coast and pillar to post, they will appear in a special (500-words censored) scene of the finale.

CPL. LAWRENCE PEREZ—whistler, who hails from California, formerly with Major Bowes unit. Whistling solos and bird imitation.

CPL. CHUCK HEALY—from Minneapolis. With his wife and known as the team of "Brown and Wilson," Cpl. Chuck in pre-army days had a top-billed comedy-dancing act and worked throughout the middle-west.

PVT. GENE LOGAN—Guitar player-vocalist. Pvt. Logan is "cowboy" style, but not maverick. He worked with Gene Autry, and before service had his own program over a Pittsburgh radio station.

SGT. JOHN WALSH—operatic baritone, formerly of San Diego, Calif. B.A. (that means Before Army), Sgt. Walsh, who is now in lab. at Medics, SCU 1911, sang with the Mexican Opera Company, in Mexico. Sings in seven languages.

PVT. EDDIE JACOBSON—now with the 96th Div. Signal Corps, Pvt. Jacobson as a civilian, performed throughout Europe and America as "The Mighty Jacob, European Master of Equilibrium." Born in Denmark; an acrobat from childhood and considered one of the finest.

PVT. MAHON TULLIS—ex-Tacoman and Seattleite, where he conducted his own band. Pianist, both concert and popular; also an organist—extraordinary.

PVT. ROGER ROONEY—for-

MORE ABOUT K.P. The Army-Navy Journal, November 14, 1942, is the second big time magazine to carry quotations from Major Josiah Osborn's recent Sentry interview in which he advised against giving K. P. as punishment. Earlier the interview was given nationwide publicity by Columbia Network News, Associated Press and Time Magazine. The Major has received clippings from all parts of the country as well as letters from as far away as Colorado and Virginia commending the Major's defense of the dignity of K. P.

merly character actor, from Hollywood, will appear in skits featured through the show.

SGT. ANGELO CALABRESE—of Medics SCU 1911, but better known already to this post in the role he will "ecode" tonight, as "Jester at Ceremony." Comedian, gagster, M.C., he fits ably anywhere.

PVT. BRUCE SHARRIT—the Director of the Jamboree and its "co-jester," fits all over this program. In civilian life he was better known as that prime comedian EDDIE BRUCE—and likewise to folks who took a night off in Corvallis last week, to attend the Joe E. Brown picture "The Daring Young Man," as the guy in the bowling sequences, who sent Joe E. to the hospital. Further known hereabouts as "the Pvt. with the long cigar" Eddie has played with Abbott and Costello, Buddy Rogers, with Cary Grant, Jean Arthur, and a host of others, in the "moon pitchers."

CPL. NICK SANSONIA—used to be known as "Nick Sans" from Brooklyn, N. Y., and throughout Camp Adair as that "favorite" entertained with the lyric voice, the accordion and talented piano fingers; and tonight with a fresh haircut. A poisonality boy strictly is Cpl. Nick.

CPL. FRANCIS HINKEL—the 1Xth Corps, 2nd Hq. Co. produces this Chicago-bred whistling expert, who formerly was with such "name bands" (ask Pvt. Pete of KOAC, p. m. Tuesdays, Thursday) as Sammy Kaye, Roger Pryor, and others.

PFC. ANDY DAHL—the MP's contribution to the show, is another product of Tacoma (known as the home of Station KIT, and therefore S/Sgt. BOB BLACK, whose SCU 1911 band will handle the full musical details of the Jamboree. Pfs. Dahl will be remembered — as Sgts Calabrese, Walsh, Cpl. Sansonia, Pvt. Green — as among the original entertainers who helped make life a song back in the "Tent City" days of Camp Adair.

PFC. PETE WONG—Hq. Co.'s favorite cook. This former San Francisco, (Calif. y'know) Chinese operated a bar which had a "don't miss it" reputation in the city with the Barbara Coast. What does he do? Best way to find out is come over tonight and see. IT'S TERRIFIC. (P.S.—how did that get in?)

Two USO SHOWS Due In January

(Continued From Page 1) the impression that he is Teddy Roosevelt.

Another nephew, who is said to be wholly sane, though a dramatic critic, schemes to send the looney old ladies to an asylum. The plan is thwarted through a series of instances and what notes that are all woven into a whirlwind farce described as "Strindberg drama crossed with Helzapoppin'."

In the "Arsenic and Old Lace" cast, the Brewster sisters are played by two Broadway veterans, Georgia Harvey and Edna Archer Crawford. Wendell Whitten, mid-west actor, plays the sane dramatic critic. Others are Russ Chetwynd, world war I veteran with the Canadian Army; Jean McKenzie, S. W. Nunn, Otis Sheridan, Charles Douglas, John Clubley and Ernest Woodward.

Gen. McNary Greets All Forces of Army

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Discharge of Men Over 38 Clarified

(Continued From Page 1) return to. The list includes agriculture, food processing, forestry, logging and lumbering, construction, coal-metal and non-metallic mining and processing and quarrying, smelting, refining and rolling of metals, finishing of metal products, transportation, communication, heating, power and illuminating services.

No Service Club Dances Tomorrow

The regular Friday night Service Club dances have been cancelled this week due to the lack of girls available on New Year's night. Dances will resume a week from tomorrow, January 8, however, with rhythms at Club 1 furnished by the SCU dance band directed by S/Sgt. Bob Black and the music at Club 2 furnished by the swing band from the 96th. So, put away dem dancin' shoes until next week!

M. P. Banquet Friday Voted Perfect Day

(Continued From Page 1) Paint store in Salem, Oregon, gave up Christmas at home to drive here to entertain "the boys." A 64-year-old Scotchman, Mr. Hutecheon sang Scotch songs. Again, the applause was heavy. Come again, Bobbie! You're a fine laddie!

More entertainment followed in the balancing act of Private Eddie Jacobson, who came to America from Europe. He's tops on two continents.

The perpetually popular Cpl. Nicholas Sansonia entranced the audience with his wizardry, his almost priceless talent, on the accordion. In private life Sansonia names his own price and gets it. Bravo, Cpl. Sansonia! The entire MP detachment invites you to move over to the Provost Marshal's office and stay!

Private Eddie Bruce (Sharritt) the Hollywood movie actor was superb as master of ceremonies, and knit the fine show together with a steady flow of streamlined humor.

Leonard Green of New York produced for Miss Elizabeth Rogers, hostess.

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96th Victory Quartette Shows Men How—

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A Quartet of Quality Beginning with the bass and moving up, because the bass is the senior member, this quartette consists of the following men:

Pvt. Jim Dalton, 45, who was in the noted All-Navy Quartette of World War No. 1, and was part of the big show in which Jack Benny played. Dalton is from Chicago.

Pfc. George Higgins, who sang in the St. John's Choir of DuPage County, Ill., and was in an all-state school quartette.

Pvt. George Randall, Detroit radio and night club singer.

Pvt. Jimmy Bloor, a radio singer of WENR, Chicago, and KDKA, Pittsburgh. It's a smooth, easy, well-blended quartette, with taste and a lively sense of rhythm. The tone quality is sweet enough, but not sugary and it's a he-man group. No crooning, no sob stuff. Lyrical, too, with no attempt to dramatize a song with a sentiment of its own. Naturally the singing of "When Day is Done," "You Had a Dream, Dear," "There's a Long, Long Trail," "Tipperary" and "Over There," had this close harmony addict in a state of nostalgic bliss.

Composer in the Ranks Lt. Bob Barrett, the regiment's Special Service Officer, announced that one number, "Salute to the Flag," was written by Pvt. Higgins. It was a hit and there will be more about that next week. An-

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More Social Swirl

Club 1 Notations:

A gala show and Christmas party was held at Club 1 to commemorate Christmas eve, and before an audience which more or less crowded the club, a show of more than an hour's duration was presented. The program was arranged by Ann Caddy, new social and recreational hostess, and Pvt. Sharritt, and featured Pvt. Hendricks, former aerial circus performer who presented an acrobatic tap dance; Pvt. Gene Logan, who played his guitar and sang western songs; and harmonica selections by Sgt. Mowry who has appeared in several Gene Autry pictures.

Piano and vocal selections were offered by Mrs. Helen Reich of Corvallis, and Pvt. Bob Hanrahan entertained with some fine boogie-woogie piano. Rounding out the show were several instrumental selections by former members of Charlie Spivak's and Charlie Barnett's outfits, now stationed here.

Highlighting the evening was the arrival of Santa, impersonated by Pvt. Bartholomew, who presented gifts to the soldiers at the club.

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Camera Club Plans To Resume Meetings

The Camp Adair Camera club will resume its regular series of meetings on January 4, 1942, in the library of Service Club No. 2. All club members are urged to remember this date and come out for this meeting, during which time many important phases of photography will be discussed.

It is expected that the club will have the privilege of having a guest speaker with them. The club meetings have been cancelled during the holidays. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 p. m. by acting chairman, Sgt. R. C. Johnson.

There's Gold in These Here Camp Adair Hills

It may be raining just rain in other parts of Adair but in some parts of the Timber Wolf division it's raining promotions, too. Men who found that silver lining in the Oregon clouds are: Promoted to, Captain: Casimir V. Klerzkowski, Frank A. Majka. 1st Lt: Ralph H. Gleason, Stavis J. Milton. Sgt: James E. Redman. T/4: Rudolph E. Helm, Gilbert E. Gratzek; Kurtz E. Blair, Jesse H. Lawrence, Joseph H. Knabie, Joe Caruso, Frank E. Mazzota, Greg E. Gillun, Fred Helmke, Dale A. Anderson, Stanley J. H u s s a, John B. Bush, Elmer Feather, Alvin N. Daniels. T/5: John L. Archuletta.