

A weekly journal devoted to maintaining morale with the responsibility of circulating post information and news at Camp Adair, Oregon.

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# Camp Adair

## SENTRY



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### Chest Drive Is 'Over The Top'

EM, Officers and Civilian Personnel in Generous Voluntary Fund Contributions

The Red Cross War Chest Drive, which closes Saturday, has "gone over the top," with generous contribution from EM, Officers and Civilian personnel on this Post, Verl Lewis, field director, said yesterday.

Lewis announced that a total of nearly \$8000, contributed strictly on a voluntary basis, has been received.

In the break-down to date, EM have given \$5,337.91; officers, \$1,104.58 and civilians, \$842.

"There has been no active solicitation of enlisted personnel," Lewis said. Many contributions were 'repeaters' and the civilian personnel here were praised, for many have contributed also in their home towns.

### Timber Wolf Engineers Receive Colors



At a colorful ceremony last week when the Engineer Battalion of the Timber Wolf Division was made a full-fledged combat unit, Major General Gilbert R. Cook, commanding general of the Timber Wolves, presents the officials national and battalion colors to Lt. Colonel Chester W. Ott, commanding officer of the engineers. —Public Relations Photo.

### Launch Liberty Ship At Portland Yards

Mrs. CeCe Cook is Sponsor at Ceremony Dedicating New Vessel

For the second time, and this time as an appropriate post-observation of Army Day, units of Camp Adair have helped consign another "victory ship" of the Oregon Shipbuilding Corporation to the waters.

Mrs. CeCe Cook, daughter of Major General Gilbert R. Cook, commanding general of the Timber Wolf division, yesterday stood as sponsor as, amid colorful ceremony, the "S. S. Henry Failing," named after a pioneer Oregonian, was rolled down the ways in Portland.

This was a Timber Wolf event, for there was a divisional convoy of troops, music by the Timber Wolf infantry band, a display of field pieces.

Miss Mary Atwood, General Cook's niece, accompanied Mrs. Cook as matron of honor, along with his small grand-daughter, Patsy Cook.

In a previous "Army launching," last January 31, Mrs. Gordon H. McCoy, wife of the Post Commander, sponsored the George W. Bibb, O.S.C.'s 129th Liberty Ship.

#### Fire At (Poor) Will

Overheard in Corvallis and Monmouth, while SCU 1911 was out on the Rifle Range:

"Praise the Lord, they're OUT of ammunition!"

#### If Man Bit a Dog it Would Be no Better Than This Rare Yarn

This happened Tuesday at Service Club 2:

Three staff sergeants were waxing a floor—and a Pvt. was showing 'em how. The reasons for it are a little obscure but that was the situation; and there is nothing at all obscure about the words later uttered by the non-com in charge, Sgt. Nick Sansonia:

"Those guys never stopped or took a break. Why the three of 'em did the work of some details of 20. No won. hey, Staff Sergeants!"

#### FOR 10 CENTS—A BRAIN

The peanut contains more protein than beefsteak, and half a small peanut holds all the extra calories needed for the energy demands of an hour of brain work.

### Timber Wolf Program In National Contest

KOAC Deems Lecture On Orientation Best

Station KOAC, considering the Timber Wolf Orientation Lecture, "The Far East, 1940 to the Present," the best thing they have aired this season, plans to submit the program to a nation-wide contest which seeks to find the best educational-dramatic presentation of the year.

The station has requested permission from the Timber Wolf Division to record this lecture, which KOAC broadcast on March 23.

**Timber Wolf Radio Programs**  
Tuesday, April 6 — Orientation program, 1756-1815. Station KOAC, Corvallis. Topic: "The role of the armed forces in the United States Continued on page 5, column 3

#### 'Hats Off!'—But it Wasn't Time to Cheer

Have you ever had a hat that went on a voyage? June McDowell, who works in Personnel at Post Headquarters, has. Walking down the street on an unusually windy, rainy day, her hat took off, like an amphibian plane. After staying in the air for approximately a minute, it nose-dived into a rivulet which runs along G street whenever the "Rains Come."

It floated from First St. South to Post Headquarters at which point Miss McDowell caught up with it.

#### "Camp Adair Sentry" Plans To Celebrate First Year

Believe it or not, next week's issue of the "Sentry" marks the first year of publication! Yes-siree! It's 52 weeks old.

The "Sentry" started as a publication for the civilian workers who were then in the process of building this cantonment. When the first cadre of the military personnel arrived, this publication had been published several months, and was an established project.

Watch for next week's special anniversary edition, which will carry pictures and stories of the "early days" as well as last minute events.

#### Departs With a Tear; Hdq. Lt., Pete Lafka Was Tent City Pioneer

Personnel of Headquarters Company, SCU 1911, were sorry to see First Lt. Pete Lafka leave for Pittsburgh, California. He was one of the earliest members of this organization having arrived in tent city as a second Lt. when there were less than fifty soldiers in SCU.

Lt. Lafka expressed genuine regret at leaving although Pittsburgh is only forty miles from his home city, San Francisco. He had watched the Service Command Unit grow from infancy and had a tear in his eye when he left.

### Towser, to Be a 'Dog of War' Must Be First a Mascot and Work Upward

Do you want a mascot? There's a half-chow who would like to join the army. Due to army regulations he can't do so, unless he is accepted by some outfit.

Lt. Hugh Tonsfeldt gets frequent calls that they have a dog who would enlist his services in the army. The Post Guard has filled its quota and can't use them.

The only way that a dog can join the service at Camp Adair is to become the mascot of some outfit. Anyone adopting such a dog, however, is advised to abide by the Post Regulations.

Lt. Tonsfeldt said that there are many stray dogs at Camp Adair and he has asked to have them picked up.

In order to keep a dog on the post, it is necessary to pay a dollar to have it immunized, once every twelve months. No animals will be allowed in the Hospital area, the exchanges, service club, cafeterias, or other buildings where food is stored, prepared, cooked or eaten.

Post Regulations further states that all dogs will be restrained from 7:30 a. m. to 11 a. m. and from 1-6 p. m. with the exception of Sundays and holidays.

### Nobody But a Writer Like O'Hara, (Pvt), Could Make So Glorious, Inglorious KP

(Foreword: He was bespectacled, young and so diffident he made us feel very important as he stood by our desk and said:

"My name is Pvt. Thomas J. O'Hara, now with a Depot Company. My captain feels that my talent is as a writer and I would like to write for The Sentry." Thus honored, but of the dubious sort, we proceeded with the natural question: "What did YOU ever write?" Pvt. O'Hara, who has been 100 per cent Irish for the last 250 years, he says—proceeded to knock properly on the chin we'd led with:

He is 19, from Manhattan and has already won two state-wide essay contests, "Effect of the New York World's Fair on World Af-

fairs" (1940); "Pan American Relations and How to Improve Them" (1941) — plus honors in a national essay contest sponsored by the New York Journal American.

He has written poetry, fiction, articles. His work has been read by Mary Roberts Rinehart and the C.O. of his dad's outfit, the "fighting 69th" who is none other than the distinguished author, Rupert Hughes. Both advised Pvt. O'Hara to continue his writing effort.

We were impressed enough. But on what should O'Hara write? This young man then proceeded to put the most important idea in the world into our mind. Said he:

"I am KP the week now." The subject! Without more ado we

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"KP O'Hara Greets The Day..."

"Male Animal" (Page 12) :- Fights Tonight (See Sports)