



July, 1942

Col. Gordon H. McCoy arrives to take command of camp after tour of duty as military attache in Mexico City ... Contractors works full shift on July 4 ... First all soldier talent show at tent city—boxing and vaudeville. Pvt. Nick Sansonia proves Wow with impersonations, songs, accordion ... Corvallis highway widening workers split shift to allow for camp traffic peaks ... Capt. Herron, engineering officer, married ... Gen. Bradley arrives for duty here with his division ... Salem Chamber lists rental properties ... Sugar rationing explained ... PX opens first store ... Red Cross staff here ... Rufus Holman, Oregon senator, visits post ... Salem and Independence open soldier centers ... Camp Command moved to post ... John Wagner treats colored outfit to watermelons ... Hospital unit builders winding up.

## They Stick Together; Meet M-Sgts. Birkes

Speak of sticking together — consider the brothers Birkes: There are two of them. Both are Sgt. Majors at Camp Adair. Start-

tion hospital as Sgt. Major. Cleve Birkes received his Sgt. Major rating on December 4, 1942. He is attached to Post Headquarters.

Johnny is married and has a four year old daughter. Cleve is single. The two brothers get to see quite a bit of each other. Both like hunting and fishing.

Johnny Birkes has had his application for warrant officer accepted and is now waiting for his commission. History may quit re-



M/Sgt. Johnny Birkes



M/Sgt. Cleve Birkes

ing out as privates in the regular army in 1939, Johnny and Cleve Birkes climbed the ladder rapidly.

The Birkes enlisted in the San Joaquin Valley in California and were sent to Fort Lewis. Both went on a cadre to Fort Ord, California.

Then came the activation of Tent City, and the Birkes, together, received their traveling orders. They arrived at Adair on June 20, 1942, the opening day of the camp.

Johnny Birkes went to the Sta-

peating itself here — otherwise M/Sgt. Cleve may soon be pointing toward OCS or at the very least, well, in the spring y'know—

### POST GUARD

by Pvt. R. H. Kerns

A few weeks back the Guard Co. was offered a recreation hall. The only problem was to get the building from post headquarters up to Guard Co. The company was called out and Lt. Tonsfeldt asked the men if any of them had ever moved a house. Soon he had a complete voluntary detail to do the job. The building is now located at the Guard Company and we have started to fix it up. These men who moved this building did so on their own time.

We are proud to announce a few more ratings, too. Balord F. Williams from T/5 to sergeant. And Earl Baker from Pfc. to Cpl. to Sgt. in less than a week. You must admit that's really stepping out. Pfc. Huffstatter to Cpl. and acting Provost Sgt. Pvt. Fitzgerald to T/.

The Guard Company has been pretty busy the last few weeks, getting ready and going on the Range. Some of the fellows have

been doing right well. I think that there is a little friction between the Guard Co. and the MPs. I do know that the Guard Co. is sure trying to out-do them. So far the highest score was made by Pvt. James E. Anderson who made 178.

Weddings! ... Cpl. Roy J. Sibert went to Portland the other day on a three day pass, and came back a husband. The other fellow who took that fatal plunge was Pvt. Lester C. Langer, and when I last saw him he was on his way over to Post Headquarters to make out an allotment.

Sgt. Leroy Bonfoey is now acting 1st Sgt. for the Guard Co. and at the present time is on a furlough.

That fine new Guard Company sign that is out in front of our outfit was made by one of the members here in camp.

We have a fellow in our office who has a Barr portable typewriter. If you are interested call 2849.

We have two new additions to the guard company, Supply Sgt., S/Sgt. F. O. Freeman and S/Sgt. Hartley who is acting 1st Sgt. while Bonfoey is on furlough.

## Snell Advocates Post-War Program

### Governor Outlines 4-Point Program

SALEM, April 14. — (AP) — Oregon's post-war readjustment and development committee, holding its first meeting here today, was given a four-point program by Governor Earl Snell.

The governor told the committee it should:

1. Make plans to rehabilitate and re-employ members of the armed forces after the war.
2. Plan for re-employment of war workers who will lose their war jobs at the end of the war.
3. Make plans to retain war industries after the war, studying what adjustments would be needed to keep the war plants in operation.
4. Find means of attracting new industries to the state.

## Corvallis USO Club Gives Dance Saturday

USO Club, Corvallis, Fifth and Madison, will hold its third consecutive dance in its new ballroom Saturday night. All service men are invited to join in the festivities of the evening. An army band will be provided. Come one, come all.

## Men Return Faster If Girls Join the WAACs

Not you, soldier, but your wife or girl friend:

Want to join the WAACs? If so, Lt. Lilian Garrick (who is, by the way, a direct "scioness" of the famed actor David Garrick), is at the Senator Hotel, Salem, for a full week in the interest of signing up recruits.

Feel free to call her any time either at the Hotel Senator or the recruiting station at Salem Post Office.

"Women may remember," said Lt. Garrick, "that you may do much to speed the return of your husbands by getting in and pitching now."

### Talent Night in Corvallis

On Easter Sunday the Corvallis USO Club is planning to hold "talent" night. Service men who can sing, dance or play an instrument are asked to register now at the information desk at the club.

As usual, the first prize will be a telephone call home. Second prize will be a wire or night letter. All entertainers are welcome to strut their stuff.

Eleven and a half billion years of cotton rolled from the looms in America's mills during 1942.

## 2000 Flood Eugene For Panel Discussion

### Hostesses Help Out At Music Conference

A conference over the last week end for the Northwest Music Educators' Wartime Institute proved that music hath charm in Oregon. Over 2000 music loving soldiers and civilians came to Eugene and overran the hotels, apartments and private residences. Some of the visitors even slept on park benches in order to be present for the conference.

Florence Coardy Merriam, hostess at Service Club 2, was asked to sing and speak at the symposium. She also participated in a panel using as its theme: "Music Education in Wartime—The Operation."

Miss Madge Kuhwarth, the recreational hostess at Club 2, attended and took part in a panel on "Community Singing and Participation in the War Effort."

Present at this panel was Augustus Zanzig, music consultant and organizer for the United States Treasury Department.

# WHERE TO GO -- AT USO

DATE	ALBANY 113-118 East Third St.	CORVALLIS Fifth and Madison Sts.	MONMOUTH Hiway 99W & Main St.	SALEM 693 Chemeketa St.
THURSDAY April 15	Informal Activities	2:00 pm Meeting of Enlisted Wives. 8:00 pm Songfest 8:00 pm Beginners' Ballroom Dancing Class. 9:00 pm Rhumba and Conga.	2-5 Army Wives' club 6:00-10:30 pm Informal activities	7:30 pm to 9:00 pm—Beginners Dance Class—YMCA. 8:00 pm Informal Dancing.
FRIDAY April 16	Informal Activities	7:30-10:30 pm Bridge and small games. 8:00 pm Classical Recordings. 8:00 pm Badminton and Miniature Sports.	6:00-10:30 pm Informal activities	7:30 pm Small games activities 8:30 Informal dancing
SATURDAY April 17	Informal Activities	3:00 pm Cot Registration. 3:00 pm Cot Registration. 3:00-5:00 pm Badminton and Miniature Sports. 7:30 pm Songfest. 8:30-11:30 pm Dance.	1-11:00 pm Informal Activities 2 pm Sewing and mending.	1-10 pm Canteen open 1-5 pm Registration for Home Hospitality 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm—Sewing and Mending for Service Men. 4 to 8 pm Register for sleeping cots 8-11 p. m. Dance (Ballroom).
SUNDAY April 18	Informal Activities	10:00-12:00 am Coffee and Donuts before and after Church. 10:00-12:00 am Coffee and Donuts before and after church. 3:00 pm Badminton. 4:45 pm Fireside Discussion. Subject, "China." 7:30 pm Classical Recordings.	1:00-10:30 pm Informal Activities.	9 am to noon Visit the church of your choice 9 am to 10:30 pm Canteen open 10:00 am to 3:00 pm—Home Hospitality Registration. 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm—Have your palm read. 5:15-5:45 pm Musical 8:30 pm Singfest
MONDAY April 19	Informal Activities	7:30 pm Bridge and table games. 8:00 pm Beginners' Ballroom Dancing Class. 9:00 pm Latin-American Dancing.	6:00-10:30 pm Informal Activities.	7:30 pm Small Games Activities. 8:00 pm Informal Dancing.
TUESDAY April 20	Informal Activities	2:00 pm Enlisted Wives' Sewing Group. 7:30 pm Square Dancing. 7:30 pm Classical Recordings.	6:00-10:30 pm Informal Activities.	10 am to 2 pm War Mothers meeting 8:00 pm Discussion Group. 9:00 pm Singfest.
WEDNESDAY April 21	Informal Activities	2:30 pm Contract Bridge for Enlisted Wives. 8:00 pm Sport Night—your favorite baseball players in pictures—movies. USO Club open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturdays until 11:30 p.m.	6:00-10:30 pm Informal Activities.	7:30 pm Small Games Activities. 8:00 pm Informal Dancing.

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