

Don Black's Revue on Sunday, Dances This Weekend, USOs Call for Talent

For Sunday—Don Black's All-Girl Revue will present an afternoon show at Chemeketa USO, Salem — and they're plenty good! Chemeketa also is beginning a talent show for all GIs... There's a new pool table at Corvallis USO... Lots of Friday and Saturday dances on schedule at George White and the various Portland USOs... Try Albany's Bingo game tonight...

New Sunday Programs

Highlight of the Salem Chemeketa USO news this week is the Sunday afternoon surprise program, about which there are two important announcements:

Sunday, Don Black's All-Girl Revue will be auditioned, and if approved by the Salem USO Council, will be engaged to go on tour for USO Shows. With the program beginning at 3:30, this revue, well known throughout the Northwest, should draw a packed house.

Starting January 16, each Sunday program will feature a talent show with three prizes awarded. Pvt. Murray Beitch will be the emcee, and any GI who can sing, dance or play an instrument may appear on the program by reporting to Pvt. Beitch at Chemeketa USO at 3 p.m.

Prizes will be \$5, \$3 and \$1, with winners to be selected by audience applause.

SALEM DANCING SCHEDULE

Chemeketa USO is definitely a popular place to dance—proof is that there were four dances with orchestras scheduled this week and three are on deck for next week.

Thursday-night square dances with the townspeople are a lot of fun and Saturday night's big dance is always well attended. Other dances are sponsored by military units who supply their own dance bands, but no USO dance is a closed affair. All GIs are invited.

SIGHTSEEING TRIP

Sightseeing trip for Sunday will be to the State Capitol, leaving Chemeketa Street USO, Salem, at 2 p.m.

Pool Table Added

A second regulation pool table has been added to the Corvallis USO Game Room, third floor of the building. Since before there seemed to be a large waiting list, now this favorite indoor sport may be enjoyed by many more men.

TAKE A BOW, PLEASE

Thanks to the artists at Camp Adair, the Corvallis USO reports, the Pops Concerts at the USO Club have made headlines in the National USO Information Sheet. The concerts gained recognition through their fine programs, which include both civilian and military talent.

These concerts, with informal atmosphere, have been greatly appreciated by the large Sunday-afternoon audiences. The Club is still seeking new talent and asks all GIs who are interested to contact USO authorities.

Chinese Center Open

All Chinese in the service are welcome to visit the Chinese Service Center, 117 N.W. 3rd Ave., Portland. Dancing and shows are presented there, we are informed by one Adair man who visited the center. Try it for a good time in Portland.

Dances at George White

Both Friday and Saturday nights there are dances on the fourth floor ballroom at George White's, Portland. (Saturday an orchestra is scheduled). Dancing lessons are held each Friday at 8 p.m. just before the dance, which starts at 9.

Portland Dances

Saturday night will find GIs dancing at the YMCA-YWCA-USO "Topsy-Turvey Land" dance (8:30 to 11:30, YWCA social hall) with Junior Hostesses, hot dogs and cokes. The NCCS-USO (318 S. W. Washington) is sponsoring a formal that night—same hours.

ALWAYS ON THE JOB

That's right, up on the fifth floor of George White Center, the sewing hostesses are always on the job... ready to do hurry-up jobs that include sewing on chevrons, insignias and also altering blouses and rain coats.

During the past month, they sewed and mended more than 2500 garments—and that's a lot.

TWO EXTRA SERVICES

Notice two special George White services:

They were apologizing last week for the apparent lack of brown shoe polish (none to be had) for all you GIs, but now there's plenty to be had for the asking. Fifth floor, please.

Since there's no time like the New Year to write home, stop by the writing desks in the main floor lounge or the fifth floor for free paper and envelopes.

Bingo Gains Popularity

Ye Olde Bingo Night at the Albany USO is getting so popular that GIs want to keep it up from 8 p.m. starting time (Friday night) to closing—must be because free prizes (cigarettes, candy and peanuts) are given out to all winners. It's in the lobby or lounge, and you can relax while playing, they tell us.

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE

Tomorrow night's dance at Albany USO will feature the 91st Div. orchestra, under Sgt. Brooks or Sgt. Simmons (formerly with the San Francisco Symphony as chief clarinetist). The band plays unique arrangements of popular tunes and includes old-time favorites with a new twist.

AND FOR TUESDAY

Albany USO promises the music of SCU band under Sgt. Bill Weness — Junior Hostesses will be there, too, and the band will play a group of waltzes for those who prefer music sweet and slow.

SUNDAY SING RESUMED

Your Sunday evening sing will be held again at the Albany USO, with popular accordionist Mrs. Clyde Williamsen accompanying and leading the sing, from 7 to 8 p.m. Your request numbers will be played.

Geared-down Jeep Will Do Peace-Time Tasks

There's been a lot of talk about using the Army's famous jeep in peace-time jobs after the war is over.

But today the originators of the bouncing buggy say that it's too much of a powerhouse to release to the public without taming it down a little. They say it would be actually dangerous to turn the machine over to the public without gearing it down a bit.

In the Army, the jeep is doing about 24 separate jobs, and the makers have already worked out 36 civilian post-war uses. (ANS).

Hugh A. Dayenport and Donald W. Taggart are new Tec5s in the 276th Regimental Headquarters Co.

Tale of Ambush: Compass Doublecross Snafus Spy Mission

"Well, men our mission has two objectives. The first is to get our message from number 1 point, the second to spy around enemy headquarters. Now our compass reading is—"

This conversation was the beginning of a reconnaissance patrol on a recent night problem by the Serv. Co., 275th Inf.

The sergeant gazed at his six men. "All right, now, we'll take the reading." The compass reading was decided but, alas, in some odd quirk of fate—the wrong reading was taken.

One hour and four miles later, the adventurers were still searching for the barn.

"There ain't no barn here, Sarge."

"Yeah, Sarge, we're lost." "Oh yeah," growled the sergeant, "look!"

There, sure enough, was a barn rising out of the darkness. "You see, fellas, you can't go wrong by the compass," approved the sergeant—"now, all we got to do is to get the message—I'll get it myself," he added as an afterthought.

Six pairs of eyes watched the sergeant move towards the building and then—ambush! Rifles rang out from every direction and the men "hit the dirt."

The compass reading had led them right smack into enemy headquarters.

At that moment a flare went up signifying the close of the problem, and a somewhat dazed sergeant picked himself out of the mud.

He paused, scratched his head and was heard to murmur. "That compass double-crossed me."—Pvt. John Segesman.

Capt. Wander Assistant G-4 on General's Staff

Capt. Mose Wander, acting assistant G-4 of the 91st Division for the past eleven months, has been made a permanent member of the general's staff as assistant G-4, Major General William G. Livesay, division commander, announced this week.

A graduate with two degrees from "Ole Miss," or for the unknowing Northerner, the University of Mississippi, Capt. Wander entered the Army as a second lieutenant in the QM Corps at Camp Blanding, Fla., in 1940. He then moved with his unit to Camp Bowie, Tex.

In July, 1942, the Captain was assigned to Camp White to aid in the activation of the 91st Division, and he was soon promoted to first lieutenant and made adjutant of the Division Quartermaster.

The call to division headquarters came in February, 1943, and in March he was promoted to the rank of captain.

Captain Wander hails from Charleston, Miss., deep in the heart of the old South.

SWAPS COLUMN

Losses — Founds
Wants — Sales
et cetera

REWARD will be given for information leading to recovery of a small 8 mm. Revere movie camera. Was contained in a brown zipper bag with other articles, taken from Service Club 2 New Year's Eve. S/Sgt. Charles P. Roe, Co. D, 370th Med. Bn.

General Congratulates First Aid Instructors



THE CORPORAL MEETS the general. Cpl. Paul Elliott is shown as Brigadier General Ralph Hospital presents him with his Red Cross Certificate. Cpl. Elliott was one of 52 members of the Field Artillery who graduated Tuesday after having completed their two-week instructors course in First Aid.

Silver Spoons to Mothers; 27th Officers' Wives

Seven wives of 274th Inf. officers who became mothers since the Trailblazer Division was activated on June 15, were presented dainty silver baby spoons by Col. Thomas R. Gibson, commanding, during a gala New Year party at the regimental officers' club.

First born, on Aug. 21, was the infant son of Lt. and Mrs. Vincent C. Homand; latest, Sept. 27, was Tim Norman McKendry, son of Capt. and Mrs. Norman J. McKendry. Four of the seven infants are girls.

Before and After: Or, What a Difference Three Months Can Make

EM of the 275th Inf., bivouacking in the far reaches of Camp Adair, sometimes reflect on themselves as soldiers before and after—before basic and afterwards.

As fillers, not so long ago, they took a turn around Poison Oak Hill, without packs. The jaunt of less than five miles produced howls which frightened little children in Monmouth.

But now—well, with full packs and a strong headwind, the regiment made 16.2 miles in from bivouac last week in 3 hours and 45 minutes, which figures out to 4.32 miles per hour.

For any soldier, that's hiking!

Exhibitions Hung In Club Libraries

Six oil paintings by members of the Art Workshop will be on exhibit in Library 1, and an exhibit of drawings is now being hung in Library 2. Both exhibitions end January 21.

The paintings include "Russian Orthodox Church," (in Unalaska, Aleutian Islands), by S/Sgt. Louie Schram, G-2 office, 70th Div., who recently joined the division after serving 28 months in Alaska; "Mailman" and "Rite," by Pvt. Henri Jova, G-2 office, 70th Div., an engineer and draftsman in Puerto Rico before induction in the army.

"Biography" and "It All Comes Back to Me Now," by Pfc. Paul Dannheiser, SCU MPs; "Henri Jova" (portrait) by Sgt. Albert Scott, Sig. Co., 91st Div. Sgt. Scott owns a sign shop in Vallejo, Calif., and after the war intends to do portrait work.

Drawings on exhibit in Library 2 are done by Pvt. Syd Fossum and M/Sgt. Hidalgo, both 70th Div.; Pfc. Dannheiser; Sgt. Albert Scott and Cpl. Berg, 91st Div.

Bruce O. Bishop of Hq. Co., 1st Bn., 276th, is now a sergeant, and Dickson F. Aubrey of Serv. Co. has moved up to Tec4.

52 in 91st Divarty Qualify as First Aid Instructors

Tuesday was graduation day for fifty-two members of the 91st Division Field Artillery who had just completed the fourteen-day Red Cross course qualifying them as instructors in first aid.

Presentation of the certificates was made by Brigadier General Ralph Hospital, division artillery commander.

John Kraft, Red Cross representative of the San Francisco area, came to the division for the purpose of conducting this school which trained 125 men.

The mission of the new instructors will be to train the rest of the men in the division, keeping them up to date on the latest methods of first aid as it is practiced under actual battle conditions.

Men's Faces Beam In 275th When PX On Wheels Appear

The 275th has a mobile PX operating for the convenience of its enlisted men in the field.

It consists of a 2½-ton truck with three counters in it. The vehicle travels from battalion to battalion. When it reaches a designated area the counters are taken out, set up, and candy, cigarettes and pipe tobacco are placed on sale.

This mobile PX is operated under the supervision of the special service officer, assisted by Pfc. Ray Cox and Pfc. Yale Rodkin.

It is out in the field by 0800 and stays out until after supper chow.

A testimonial to the value of the mobile PX and how the GIs feel about it is the way faces beam when the PX truck moves into an area.

I'm Damned Dept.

Brainerd, Minn. (CNS) — Mark Miller, who said he drove his car from Mexico to Canada without giving up coupons in order to gather material for a magazine article entitled "From Border to Border on Bootleg Gas," may have to write the story in the cooler. He has been charged with violating Office of Price Administration gas regulations.

Recently added to the roster of corporals in Co. D of the 276th were Carl V. Goossen, William W. Schafer, Harry D. Watson, Joseph M. Kearns, Charles H. Scharf, Bernard I. Zaleta, Willard V. Collier, George L. Bowman and Ernest D. Figgs.