

MORE ABOUT WAACS

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around army camp. They will move into especially designed barracks for the detachment in the next ten days. More conveniences, such as a beauty shop, will be available as will a recreation room.

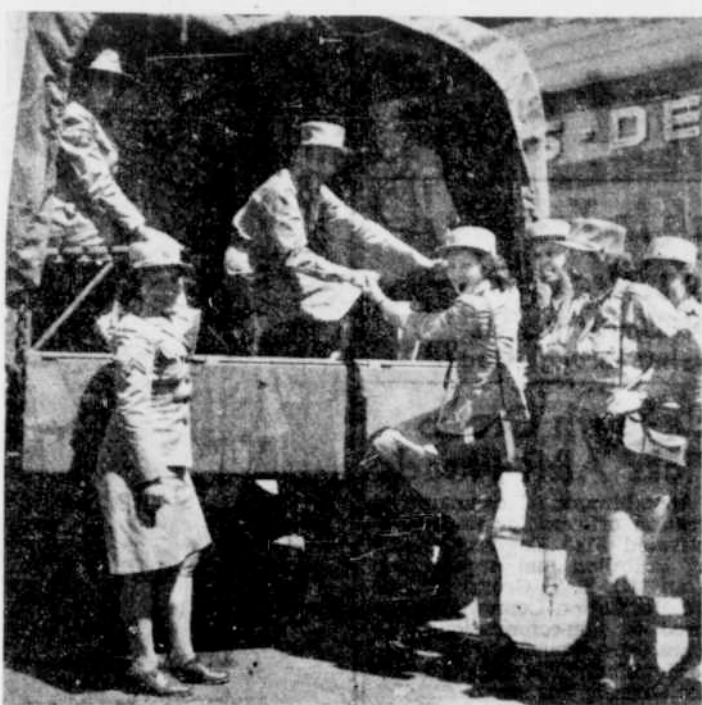
The 20 WAAC's assigned to motor transport are among the first of such groups to be sent to a field post. Only two months ago the first group of WAAC truck drivers were assigned to duty at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Members of the detachment have been assigned to the following sections: Quartermaster (salvage, commissary, property and administrative sections), post laundry, signal office, ordnance, post engineer, military intelligence, provost marshal, motor transport, post surgeon, post headquarters, special services, personnel, training division (SCU), postal transportation headquarters and WAAC headquarters. In several sections auxiliaries are on temporary duty awaiting permanent assignment to the theaters, libraries and service clubs when these facilities are opened.

The personnel of the WAAC headquarters detachment lists the following assignments: six cooks, a supply sergeant, company clerk, assistant company clerk and mail orderly.

The detachment officers are Second Officer Stephanie Podzun and Third Officer Patricia Elwell. First Leader Eleanor Pell is "top kick" of the 155 enrolled auxiliaries.

All Aboard! "Taxi" Enroute to Abbot



Appearing spic and span in their summer khaki uniforms, this group of WAAC's are shown boarding a truck that transported them to camp following their arrival in Bend. On the ground, left to right: Helene Efantis, Margaret McGunnigle, Anna Eisenstein, June Dixon, Lillian Mayer. In the truck, Violet Powell, left; Lois Smith, Pauline Tobias, Margaret Kilmartin and Helen Fadrowski. (ENGINEER Photo by Cpl. Ed Pitra, ERTC.)

Sound Tests Taken In Camp Theater

Army acoustical engineers today conducted tests in Camp Abbot's theater to insure G.I. patrons the finest reproduction and sound of any cinema house in the northwest.

Invoices received by the camp Special Services officer revealed that projection equipment is on the way from factories and will arrive here within a week. The screen will measure 10½ by 14½ feet.

The theater will be operated for enlisted men and women, officers and civilians living on the post. Pictures will be shown here within 30 days of their national release enabling Abbotmen a chance to see Hollywood's latest products at very reasonable prices.

In the future, said Cpl. Thurman S. Justus, theater manager, cushioned seats will be installed, to replace the wooden benches that will be on hand when the theater opens "in two weeks."

He Knows All the Answers in Camp

Cpl. Raymond Ross is the "information boss" at post headquarters.

The former Fort Ord, Calif., soldier is assigned to the information desk near the entrance and it is his duty to direct all callers to proper officers within the "U" shaped building.

He is attached to Corps of Military Police, SCU 1973 and enlisted on July 26, 1940 in Detroit, Mich.

Ross answers about 200 queries a day and is seldom stumped, however, until the WAACs were assigned to temporary quarters, he was a loss for a correct reply.

For recreation, Ross likes to see movies and listen to the radio. His favorite program? You guessed it—"Information Please!"

WAAC-y For Better or Verse

My shower bath's a shower bout,
Uncomfortably in and out.
I dart white squaks of anguish
Apart the frozen frigid air.
I turn the cold on, then the hot...
But labels lie and I do not!
—A.F.C. Pauline Tobias
SCU, 1973

If You See Afar A Moving Star, Salute, G.I., Salute

Second lesson in G. I. courtesy is enhanced by a poem and condensed version on how to salute correctly.

A. F. C. Pauline Tobias, SCU 1973, attached to the camp Special Services Office, metered out three stanzas for soldiers to salute officers in staff cars.

"When you see from afar
A moving star
Salute, soldier, salute!
It's a mark that's due
To the officer who
Is riding by.
"When you see it near
Don't stop to peer
But salute, soldier, salute!"

'Pko' STATION OPENS
Establishment of an emergency prophylactic station at 221 Greenwood Ave., in Bend, open 24 hours daily, was announced by camp authorities.

Oregon Hills Will Echo Melodious March Cadence

W. O. Spalding, ERTC Band Director, Composes Battalion Theme Songs Requested by Col. Besson

Timber-laden hills of Oregon's Cascade range soon will echo to the marching songs of thousands of soldiers training in the Engineer Replacement Training Center at Camp Abbot. Col. Frank S. Besson, post commander, has decreed that each battalion shall have its own marching song and commissioned Warrant Officer Charles J. Spalding, ERTC band director, to arrange music for accompaniment by the band.

The first in the series of songs already has been arranged for the 51st Bn. It was ready for the unit even before the first trainee arrived. Theme song for the unit will be to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell."

Many of the verses were contributed by the colonel himself, who recalled them from World War 1 days. The arrangement made by Warrant Officer Spalding is unique in that it contains several bars of swing music.

A second arrangement to the tune of "I've Got Spurs that Jingle, Jangle, Jingle," is being made for the 52nd Bn., but the lyrics has not yet been completed.

The song program was introduced here on the theory that a singing army is a fighting army

and that soldiers like to sing. Plans also provide for a 15-minute songfest by ERTC units at reveille formation and early-morning concerts by the ERTC band.

Another innovation will be the use on the march of a drumbeat cadence which will serve as an introduction to theme songs.

'Keep 'em Writing' Aim of Postoffice

"Keep 'em writing" seems to be the slogan of Camp Abbot personnel.

Since formation of a postal unit here, under supervision of Capt. John C. Burgeson, about 8,000 letters have been sorted daily. From May 1 to 28, approximately 175,000 letters have been received here, and 70,000 mailed. Stamp sales totalled \$650, while money orders purchases soared to \$7,000. The post office also sold \$500 in War Bonds and Stamps.

Besides three enlisted men and six WAAC's, there are four civilians employed in the P. O., according to Capt. Burgeson.

BARS and STRIPES

- Major
Capt. J. E. Campbell, Transportation officer, 12th Group, ERTC.
- 1st Lieut.
Lts. John F. Derr, Franklin Dick and John D. Tracy.
- S/Sgt.
T/4 Ernest Meyer, C-52.
- Sgt.
Cpl. Attilio V. Pizzi, Hq. Det. 11th ET Gp.
- Cpl.
Pvt. Sidney W. Haynes, B-53.
- T/5
Pvts. LeRoy E. Lamore and Eugene H. Fromholtz, B-53.
- Ldr.
Jr. Ldr. Zella I. Allen
Aux. Sarah E. Spray
T/4
Aux. Dorothy E. Jarrett
Jr. Ldr.
Aux. Mary L. Moscatello
T/5
Aux. Josephine Gruca
Aux. Regina H. Kralik
Aux. Alma M. Kronguest

Wife, Children of ERTC Bandsman Saved in Fire

The wife and children of T/Sgt. Glenn Roberts narrowly escaped from a fire in their home at 56 Shasta Place in Bend. Mrs. Roberts and children were asleep at noon May 22 when a shed fire of unknown origin started in rear of their home. They were saved by neighbors and Bend firemen.

Considerable clothing and household furniture were lost in the fire.

Sgt. Roberts is drum major in the ERTC band. PFC and Mrs. Marvin C. Betcher, also residing at 56 Shasta Place lost considerable clothing. Pfc. Betcher, too, is a member of the Camp Abbot band.

"My feet were stuck out of the covers."
"Why didn't you pull them in?"
"I ain't putting those cold things in bed with me."

MORE ABOUT Message Unit

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message center and held that job until he was earmarked for cadre for Camp Abbot, reporting for duty here on May 15th.

The message center is by far one of the most important offices on the post because the entire post personnel depends upon its prompt and accurate distribution of official communications. With a staff of eight men, Sgt. Hanson has rapidly organized the office into a going project to serve the growing training center.

At the present time the center is handling between four and five hundred pieces of mail daily, registering each one and sending it on to its proper office. Besides this, the center is handling the addressing of all official mail, telegrams and numerous other little jobs handed it.

T/Sgt. Hanson's "better half" is well known to the enlisted men of Fort Wood because she served as hostess of Service Club Number Two for some little time, before marriage this month, so indeed congratulations are still in order. The Hansons reside in Bend at the present time.

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of interviews to acquaint the enlisted personnel with the "key" sergeants at Camp Abbot. Others will follow each week.)

Gilchrist Hotel in Bend Seeks Tennants

Available to Camp Abbot officers, enlisted men allowed to live off the post and civilians is the Gilchrist hotel, located at the corner of Riverside Blvd. and Gilchrist st., in Bend.

Reasonable rates are charged on a semi-permanent basis, according to camp authorities.

MORE ABOUT Col. Beveridge

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veteran officer heads seven important units comprising the Special Service Branch of the Ninth Service Command.

"The department heads of these units are endeavoring to provide the finest facilities for the convenience of Camp Abbot soldiers," Col. Beveridge said. "Your camp is laid out compactly, enabling soldiers to take full advantage of facilities that will be provided by the camp Special Services Office. The buildings are modern; the equipment is of the finest type and personnel is thoroughly qualified to supervise such activities."

The seven units which Col. Beveridge supervises are the executive, music, education, athletic and recreational, facilities and library section.

"Special services officers can help greatly to the final victory, through intelligent application to problems confronting morale building factors, a deep sense of interest in their work, the obligation it imposes, and a thorough realization of the importance of qualified programs of activity," said Colonel Beveridge.

The Special Services office at Camp Abbot, directed by Lt. P. H. O'Brien and the officers, enlisted men and WAAC who are assigned, will aid greatly in the accomplishment of the projected program here, he added.

Col. Beveridge plans to visit Camp Abbot again in the near future.

They're changing the name of Coffeyville, Kansas, to Sanka.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, Creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



Something Hot at the PX

