

## In the STRETCH!

Aug. 10 is the final day to BUY G. I. Insurance. Don't Get Shut Out. CHEAP RATES for Your valuable LIFE.



## Have YOU Joined

Non-Coms are urged to enroll in the NCO club. \$2 is the price. See your top sarge for membership.

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## Abbot Face!

**WRIGHT ABBOT FACE**—Motor Company's acting first sarge. S/Sgt. George Wright came up with a nifty definition of a GI haircut—a patch of hair with white sidewalls. Anyway, we toss a bouquet for a "right" guy, especially after returning the editor's dogtags, given up as lost for nearly a week.

**A WORD FOR IT**—Disregarding its original import, SNAFU has become a particular meaningful word in soldier parlance at Abbot. A rough translation, "situation normal: all fouled up," has lost its original meaning. Now the connotation has nothing to do with a norm. We use it for anything which has been fouled up.

A soldier who goofs off is pulling a SNAFU. A job done wrong said to be SNAFUed. Duties not performed mean that SNAFU-tage has been committed. It's a word which fills a language need. Don't let it apply to any Abbotman!

**LAFF OF THE WEEK**—Newly-arrived Wacs attended their first dance, writes CNS, at Blackland Air Base in Texas. The next day this announcement appeared: "Starting immediately, dancing classes will be held for male soldiers."



**Ole Joe Goebbels, chief liar**—'scuse me, I mean propaganda minister in the Reich, recently told people living in the un-bombed parts of Germany (yes—there are some) that victims in industrial areas weren't whining. Of course they're not, Joe. They know if they whine they'll only get shot. And at close range machine gun fire is pretty accurate.

## Service Club—Center of Abbot Activities—Nears Completion

Rapidly taking shape as the future center of all Camp Abbot activities is the Service Club, located on Group Avenue, just off Center street.

Workmen today were putting finishing touches in the interior and the contractor was of the opinion the two-story, well-lighted, ventilated and heated GI rendezvous would be completed in a "very short time."

Mrs. Helen S. Smith, principal hostess, likewise, was cheerful over the approaching opening, slated for sometime this month. Furniture and fixtures, ordered weeks ago, are scheduled to arrive here in the near future.

Fully equipped to provide any type of social, recreational and educational—as well as nutritional—needs that Abbotmen and Wacs seek—the Service Club represents the latest designs in buildings of such type.

## Five New Units Formed on Post From Hq. Group

Division Creates Service, Supply, Motor, MP and Wac Co's; Pick Officers

For the benefit of soldiers who may have been shifted about during the Post's reorganization Sunday, Aug. 1, without knowing exactly what happened, here's the setup, according to Maj. M. J. Cuadra, Hq. Co. Commandant.

Hq. Co., ERTC, Hq. Co., SCU 1973 and the Wac Co. were merged and personnel assigned to five units. In the process, the following companies were activated: Service Co., the personnel of which is assigned to administrative duties; Supply Co., those who handle stores and subsistence; Motor Co., composed of enlisted men assigned to the Motor Transport Division; Military Police Co. and the Wac Co., formerly known as a detachment of the SCU.

The ERTC band was inactivated then reactivated as the Camp Abbot band and attached to the Service Co. for rations and quarters.

All enlisted men designated as members of the Corps of Engineers, were transferred as Engineers, in the reorganization. However, all must wear the shoulder insignia of the Ninth Service Command instead of the red, white and blue patch of the Army Service Forces.

Capt. Ab Jolly is CO of Supply Co.; 1/Lt. Fred Hohenhorst is CO of Service Co.; 1/Lt. George W. Ealey is CO of Motor Co.; 1/Lt. Leonard F. Carney is Administrative officer of Service Co., and 2/Lt. Gene D. Foley-Gilmartin is administrative officer, Supply Co.

2/o Stephanie A. Podzunas is CO of the Wac Co., and 3/o Patricia E. Elwell is administrative officer of the Wac organization.

### MASS CHORISTERS WANTED

Camp Abbot personnel interested in forming a choir to sing at Catholic Mass are urged to attend rehearsals held every Thursday at 1930 o'clock in the Post Chapel, Bldg. 208.

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A modern, well-stocked library, directed by Miss Caroline Paddock, chief librarian, is to be located here, as well as a cafeteria, under the supervision of Miss Helen S. Souhrada; also a soda fountain, game rooms, reception halls, and as Mrs. Smith said, "plenty of comfortable overstuffed chairs and divans."

Rustic pine and oak decorative patterns enhance the appearance of the club's interior. Newest types of lighting fixtures have been ordered. A gala program is planned for the opening, Mrs. Smith added.

### GAS BOARD NAMED

Selection of a committee to administer the gas ration program in camp includes Col. L. H. Hall, executive officer; Maj. Russell D. Turrill, Director, Personnel Division, and Mrs. Margaret J. Keith, secretary.

## Yank Jungle Warrior Seeks Prey



**FIGHTINGMAN: VINTAGE 1943**—Take a good look at this determined soldier, Abbotmen! Someday, you, too will have to ferret out the enemy from the steaming jungles. Notice his alertness, highly-coordinated movement and courage... the Japs may be in the jungles, but this type of highly-trained Yank fightingman will clear him out... but good!

## Vital Aims of Consultation Service in ERTC Are Noted

In a corner section of Bldg. 225 is located one of the most important—and newest—sections of the ERTC in Camp Abbot—the Consultation Service. The average Abbotmen and Wac will ponder over the unit's title: Consultation Service. Just what is it? What are its functions? How does it fit in the complex picture of training future combat Engineers?

### "T. I. T. A." Booked For Four Days In Bend Theater

Irving Berlin's "This Is The Army," created into a magicinema by Warner Bros. will be shown at the Capitol theater in Bend for four days, beginning Aug. 18.

Opening night tickets will sell at "premiere" prices, but regular admission will be charged on the remaining days. "TITA" had its world premier in New York last week.

## "Judge" Foster Is Transferred; New J.A. Is Lt. E.E. Reed

2/Lt. Earl E. Reed, former post assistant Transportation officer, has been named acting Judge Advocate, succeeding 1/Lt. Stanberry Foster, assigned to a new station.

Lt. Reed, a native of Nampa, Idaho, is a prominent member of the Idaho State Bar. He won his gold bars from the Transportation Corps school last June and holds two degrees from Stanford U.

His predecessor, who arrived here on April 5, was formerly assistant attorney-general of the state of Washington.

### NEW FACES IN ERTC BAND

Two new faces are performing in the ERTC band. They are Pvts. Bill Hall and Ray McClenahan. The former, who fills one of the trumpet chairs, recently arrived from Boise Bks., Boise, Idaho, and the latter, a French horn artist, used to toot with a musical organization while attached to Co. C of the 32nd Bn. at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

## 97 Per Cent Of Abbotmen Buy Insurance

Four Days Remain Before No-Physical Exam Ends; Average Policy Is \$9,675

Popularity of G. I. insurance showed a distinct upward trend today at Camp Abbot four days before any member of the armed forces with enough strength to sign his name can get \$10,000 worth of protection—without so much as a physical examination.

Latest statistics compiled by Enlisted Men's Personnel section reveals that nearly 97 per cent of the military personnel here—officers and EM—have enrolled in the program. Average amount for the policy is approximately \$9,675, according to officers in charge. The number not signing up for the maximum coverage is "very small."

Up to August 10, inclusive, the physical examination is waived for any GI. After that date, all soldiers desiring insurance will undergo a detailed examination by medical officers.

## Special Services Gets New Officer

Camp Abbot's new Special Service officer is 1/Lt. Vernon G. Henderson, a native Oregonian, who succeeds 1/Lt. P. H. O'Brien, recently named administrative officer of B-57.

Lt. Henderson was from 1935 to 1942 vocational education supervisor of 34 CCC units in the Vancouver Barracks, Wash., area and has had a wealth of experience in directing activities sponsored by the SSO. He was reactivated into the service in June, 1942, and is a graduate of the Transportation Corps school at Camp Stoneman, Calif. He will also serve as post Athletic and Recreation, Orientation, War Bond and Insurance officer as well as director of Public Relations.

Lt. O'Brien was assigned as SSO and PRO prior to the camp's activation. During the past three months, his efforts resulted in the camp securing much favorable publicity as well as providing recreational, athletic and educational facilities.

## Hurray for Shaffer! He's Chief of NCO Club Seeking New Members

Elongated, well-liked, efficient M/Sgt. Wilmer R. "Bub" Shaffer, sarge major in the Hqs. Commandant's office, was elected president of the recently-formed Non-Commissioned Officer's club in camp.

S/Sgt. Alexander S. Hall of the 51st Engr. Tng. Bn. was named vice prexy and Cpl. Forbes L. Satre, Hq. Det. 12th Gp. assumed the roles of secretary-treasurer.

These three popular Abbot non-coms, aided by stripe-and-rocker men in every organization are enthusiastically spreading the urgent need of every EM, above the grade of and including corporal, to take steps to immediately enroll. Memberships cost \$2, entitling card-owners to full privileges of the facilities and activities of the NCO clubhouse,

located in Bldg. T-205 in the All-Purpose rec hall annex.

Constitution and by-laws, recently drafted, have been submitted to Post Commander Frank S. Besson for approval.

M/Sgt. Lew W. Henry, 12th Gp. sarge mafe and chairman of the ad interim committee, instrumental in forming the club, is cooking up a terrific advertising campaign to "sell" the NCO to every eligible serviceman on the post.

"Get on the ground floor," Henry says. "The fee may go up when our clubhouse is fully equipped."

A committee is being groomed to make personal appearances in all organizations to explain features of the NCO—and also sign up as many members as possible. Join Today!