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F. D. R.'s PROMISE

President Roosevelt's post-war plans, revealed recently in a broadcast, should be of interest to all servicemen in Camp Abbot.

The administration, coast-to-coast radio listeners heard, was working out plans to keep soldiers from being mustered out after the war "to a place on a deadline or a corner selling apples."

He said that was only part of the problem of demobilizing America, "but the members of the armed forces have been compelled to make greater economic sacrifice and every other kind of sacrifice than the rest of us, and are entitled to definite action to help take care of their special problems."

"That larger objective of re-converting wartime America to a peacetime basis," he said, "is one for which your government

is laying plans to be submitted to the congress for action."

For the immediate problems of the demobilized service man the president proposed:

1. Enough mustering-out pay to cover "a reasonable period of time between his discharge and the finding of a new job."
2. Unemployment insurance if the individual registers with the United States employment service and "no job is found after diligent search."
3. Opportunity of further education or trade training at government expense.
4. Credit on unemployment compensation and federal old age and survivors' insurance "as if they had continued their employment in private industry."
5. Improved and liberalized provisions for hospitalization rehabilitation and medical care for the disabled.
6. "Sufficient" pensions for the disabled."

Okay, let's win the war first! The nation will not forget the men and women who went to bat to keep America the "arsenal of democracy."

Cadre Strength To Be Reduced

Camp Abbot has been directed to reduce the enlisted cadre strength, including Wac enlisted women, more than 19 per cent, Maj. R. D. Turrill, director of the Personnel Division, announced.

Until a table of organization can be drawn up and published, replacements of losses in the cadre of staff divisions or units by trainees completing training with ERT battalions will not be authorized except in cases of

dire need and then only by approval of the director of personnel.

A thorough study of the personnel situation is being made with a view to appealing to the Ninth Service Command for additional enlisted grades, Maj. Turrill said. Promotion of enlisted men and women at Camp Abbot also has been suspended until further notice.

A soldier went to the barber shop after a gruelling 30-mile hike. He slumped down into the chair.
"Give me a shave," he said.
The barber told him that he was too far down in the chair for a shave.
"All right," said the soldier wearily, "give me a haircut."

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ERTC Rookie Recalls Hegira From Nazi Rats in Europe

When Pvt. Horst B. J. Meyer-Trave, Service Co., received his first notice to report for military service and an airplane ticket for the trip, he headed for other regions—but for a good reason: The ticket read from



PVT. MEYER-TRAVE... noted artist escaped from Nazi clutches.

Stockholm, Sweden, to Germany and both it and the report notice from the German War Office, an organization with which Meyer-Trave definitely was not in sympathy.

Son of a captain in the Prussian guards in World War I, and a leader in the Social Democrat Youth Movement in the Reich

until the ascendancy of Hitler, he fled to Sweden in 1932 with his father who had been a dominant figure in the Weimar Republic which was overthrown by Hitler when he induced the aged von Hindenberg to make him chancellor of Germany.

After the episode of the airplane ticket, which he destroyed on receipt, Meyer-Trave fled to America at the behest of his father. He used a German passport issued five years earlier and to forestall any attempts to halt his flight obtained a visa from Costa Rica.

Meyer-Trave travelled by plane from Stockholm to Moscow, by trans-Siberian railroad to Vladivostok and then to Japan where he was taken into "protective custody" by Japanese authorities who questioned him regarding his mission to America before allowing him to proceed.

He arrived in San Francisco four months after leaving Sweden and went to live with his brother. Another brother forced to serve in the German army had been killed while with German forces assisting Gen. Francisco Franco in the Spanish Civil War.

Meyer-Trave is an artist of note. He studied art in Stockholm and previously had studied in a Berlin conservatory. His work has been exhibited in the DeYoung museum in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco.

After his induction at the Presidio of San Francisco six weeks ago, Meyer-Trave was sent to Boise Barracks, Boise, Ida. He was assigned here as a draftsman with the Publications Section.

Leonard Wood Is Abbot Trainee

It would have indeed made the top headlines if Pvt. Leonard Wood had undergone his ERTC basic at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. . . . but he's here and rates a feature story.

The former B-51 soldier was recently transferred to Service Co. SCU 1973 and assigned to the Weapons branch.

Infiltration Course Trek Is Thriller

Officers, 51st Engr. Tng. Bn. rookies and a small dog crawled beneath a canopy of machine gun fire, amid exploding mine fields and barbed wire entanglements recently to negotiate a new infiltration course introduced at Camp Abbot as one of the Ranger tactics which will be incorporated in the training program for soldiers of the Engineer Replacement Training Center.

Among the high ranking officers "running" the course were Col. Frank S. Besson, Post commander, and Col. L. H. Hall, executive officer. Mr. Harold French, assistant camp Red Cross field director, also "covered" the course.

Designed in answer to recommendations by officers in the North African campaign, the course is 65-yards long, laid with wire entanglements and studded with land mines which send geysers of earth skyward on detonation by a control officer. Eight machine guns keep a steady crossfire 40 inches above the rugged terrain.

Five EM's Pursue Hospital Studies

Five enlisted men assigned to the Post Hospital have been sent to various hospitals to pursue advanced education.

Pfc. Walter J. Rychman and Pvt. Manuel V. Silva are learning techniques of a laboratory and dental technicians, respectively at Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colo. T/5 John M. Leys was assigned to William Beaumont Hospital, El Paso, Texas for study in X-ray technique, Cpl. Horace W. Buchlein and Pfc. Charles K. Edwards are at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Calif. Upon completion of their studies, these Abbotmen will return here.

HOW TO BUILD DEPT

Distributed recently by the Director of Administration was a set of standard plans how camp organizations may build a barracks study table and compartment shed with salvaged lumber, obtainable from the Building Material section.

'Front and Center' FROM YOUR CHAPLAIN

By Chaplain Irel T. Monroe 12th Gp.

"Shall I not visit for these things? saith the Lord; and shall not My Soul be avenged on such a nation as this?" Jeremiah 5:9-29.

God called Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldees to go into the Land of Canaan, and promised him all the land. He became a great nation as God had promised.

The above verse of scripture was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet when the nation had forgotten and forsaken God. They failed to take the warning and were overthrown and taken into captivity.

The same warning is given to every nation in history, to any that lives in sin and forgets God. Nations have vanished and others suffered because they forgot God.

What of our nation? Our forefathers came to this country to have a place to worship God. Ours is the land of freedom and open Bibles. Our government encourages the worship of God houses of worship and ministers of His Word to all the soldiers.

Let's Go to Church

LOCATION OF CHAPELS
Post Chapel, Bldg. 208; 11th Gp. Chapel, Bldg. 1255; 12th Gp. Chapel, Bldg. 754; Hospital Chapel in Red Cross Recreation hall.

JEWISH SERVICES
FRIDAY, Aug. 13, at 1930 in 11th Gp. Chapel.

CATHOLIC SERVICES
SATURDAY, Aug. 14, Confessions, Post Chapel. SUNDAY, Aug. 15: Mass, 0900. (Mass daily at 1830 except Thursday in Post Chapel.)

PROTESTANT SERVICES
SUNDAY, Aug. 15, at 1000 and 1930 in Post Chapel.

HOSPITAL SERVICES
SUNDAY, Aug. 15, 0745, Catholic Mass; 1000, Protestant services.

SPECIAL SERVICES
SUNDAY, Aug. 15 for the 56th Bn. in quarantine; at 1300. Protestant services in 12th Gp. Chapel; same time for Catholic Mass in Post Chapel.

SPONSORED ACTIVITIES
(In Post Chapel Unless Otherwise Noted)
Monday, Aug. 16—Bible class, 1915; Tuesday, Aug. 17—Catholic choir rehearsal, 1915; Wednesday, Aug. 18—Protestant choir rehearsal, 1915. General song service on Friday, Aug. 13, in 12th Gp. Chapel, at 1915.

Organization Is Completed For Limited NCO Club Here

Membership in the NCO club will be limited to the first four grades . . . adoption, with slight revisions, of the club's constitution and by-laws . . . election of new officers . . . and outlining of policies highlighted the first general meeting last night in the

and comforts of battalion recreation halls, figuratively, "off limits" to the GI's in upper brackets.

Officers selected for the forthcoming year are: M/Sgt. W. R. Shaffer, president; M/Sgt. Larry Larsen, vice-president; Sgt. Mor-



THEY LAUNCHED ABBOT'S NCO CLUB—These 11 stripe-and-rocker men provided the impetus resulting in formation of the organization. S/Sgt. Wilbur Hanson, left; M/Sgt. W. R. "Bub" Shaffer, T/Sgt. Carl J. Ranta, 1/Sgt. David Holland, M/Sgt. Lew Henry, S/Sgt. Alexander S. Hall, 1/Sgt. James G. Sawyer, 1/Sgt. Kenneth D. Hathaway, 1/Sgt. John L. Goodling, S/Sgt. Bill L. Thompson, and M/Sgt. David J. Moreland. 9SC-43-CAB-28-SS)

clubhouse, Bldg. T-205.

At the suggestion of Post Commander Frank S. Besson, the club will be restricted to the top non-com bracket. Membership dues paid by corporals and T/5's, about 40 of the 200 charter members will be refunded. The latter NCO's, as a result, will share with trainees facilities

rie C. Guss, secretary; M/Sgt. David J. Moreland, treasurer.

The club, whose fountain is now open, plans to install overstuffed furniture in the lounge room, provide varied facilities for games and recreation in the play room, and improve appointments throughout the spacious haven of stripe-and-rocker men.