

## Midget Obstacle Course Trains 52nd Soldiers

Soldiers of the 52nd Engineer Training Battalion who have trouble negotiating certain hazards on the Post's obstacle course can improve their techniques on an abbreviated "dry-run" course recently constructed in the rear of battalion headquarters.

Obstacles on the battalion course include an eight-foot scaling wall, hand-over-hand bars and a rope swing device, which, according to Maj. Lawrence J. Fuller battalion commander, are the toughest barriers on the Post course.

## Hotels to Get Towels Taken By GI Patrons

A number of Camp Abbot soldiers who've made a practice of expanding their towel supply at the expense of various hostleries suffered an awful let down this week when their laundry bundles came back with slips marked "hotel towels withheld."

Traveling which originally was the property of hospitals, hotels, the Pullman Company and the YMCA were rounded up on order from the Ninth Service Command, which lent a sympathetic ear to establishments bemoaning the fact towels are getting scarce. Conditions being what they are, it's almost impossible to obtain towels even for patrons who don't swipe them, hotel owners pointed out.

The Post laundry's haul was impressive. Lt. Howard I. Pulver, laundry officer, reported recovery of some 100 towels, many of which had dried self-appointed owners on trips across the continent. The Pullman Company was well represented, as was the Pilot Butte Inn in Bend, and East Coast hotels from New York to Florida.

Hotels reclaiming towels will pay laundering expenses, but the main problem now is how to get them back to their original owners, Lt. Pulver said. The Ninth Service Command has issued no instructions as to disposition as yet, but it was believed the purloined goods would be turned over to Hotel Associations.

Meanwhile, soldiers whose losses were heavy will have to dry the best way they can. The laundry isn't responsible for making replacements.

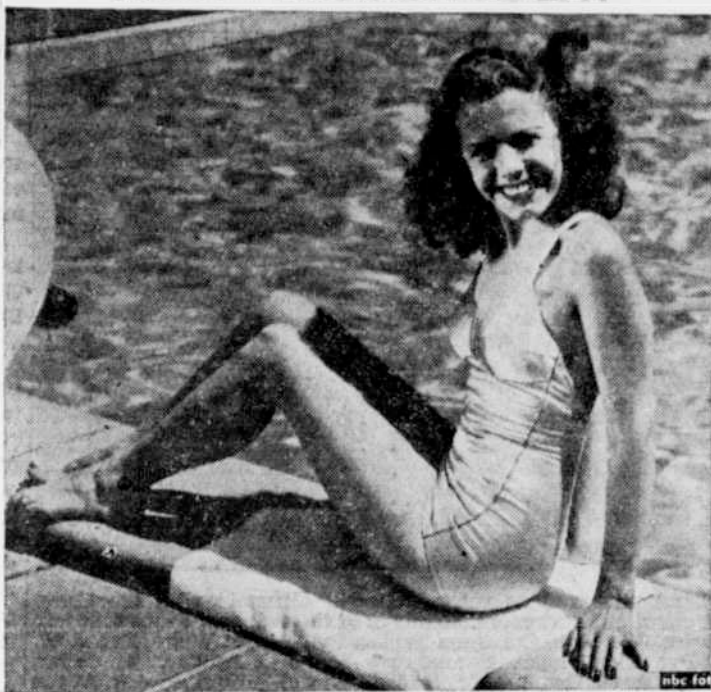
## Civilian Employees Dance Will Include Floor Show

Members of the ticket committee for the dance and added entertainment to be given at Carroll Acres by Camp Abbot civilian employees, located on the southern outskirts of Bend, Thursday night, Sept. 16, were announced this week by Merle Ballantyne, director of employees relations.

The committee includes: John Jones, Mrs. Robert Henry, Ray Cooper, Harold Schanno, Thelma Farrar, Lloyd Baker, Julia Powell, Irene Jones, Lucille Brava, Maurice Van Sickle, Dorothy Koci, Gerry Hortkotte, Louise Lee, Viola Thompson, Helen Souhrada, Caroline Padock, Olive Michaels and Margaret Keith.

A floor show and refreshments will be an additional feature of the program, Ballantyne said.

## PRETTY ENOUGH TO EAT



This appetizing dish is GeGe Pearson, another of the beauties NBC gives us a line on from time to time. If you'd like to hear her, too, tune in on "The Gallant Heart" show.

## First Group Graduates From Camp Cook and Baker's School Here

August 28 marked the graduation date of the first group of Abbotmen from the Camp Abbot branch of the Ninth Service Command School for Bakers and Cooks. Pfc. Robert T. McCartney, Jr., SCU 1929, received his "degree" as assistant baker and the following had first cooks ratings conferred upon them: Co. D—51st Bn., Pvs. Hubert A. Alcock, Sedford G. Bell, Joe C. Craddock, Robert C. Dowling, Kendrick M. Hemingway, Richard E. Klein, Gustave Roth, Augustus Theoharris, John A. Zoromski; Quartermaster Section, SCU 1973, Pvs. George Bretz and Fred C. Miller; Wac Company, Pvs. Kathryn R. Babb and Lucille White.

Second cooks of the class were Pvs. John Agulla, Nelson E. Atkins, Velton M. Caussey, Robert

L. Church, John L. Hedgepeth, Van Scott, Hulsey, Salvatore A. Taccarino, Leonard J. Jablonski, William E. Joseffer, Helmut W. Pasch, Glenn M. Wood, all of Co. D, 51st Bn.

Tomorrow sixteen members of Co. D, 52nd Bn., will complete their course in the school, Pvs. Anthony C. Cordova, Horace J. Daniel, Joseph Feitl, Jr., Wesley L. Hemquist, Virgil E. Lawson, Miles McClure, Charles D. Meador, Rodrick R. Nadeau, Charles R. Smith, Sidney E. Stinnett, Joe I. Stonebraker, Alphonse J. Thibodeaux, Sammy T. Vasquez as first cooks, and Pvs. Jack A. Dhlér, Tommy A. Payan, and Joseph Sorbella as second cooks.

Capt. Smiley Rayburn, Jr., is assistant commandant of the school. Tech. Sgt. Rudolph Petaja is senior instructor.

## Tax Extension Granted for Armed Forces

Washington—Servicemen and women can forget all about figuring up their estimated income for the year and filing a declaration with the government—at least for the time being, the Treasury has announced. Although civilians must make a declaration on September 15, soldiers—even those who did have an independent income this year—have been granted an extension until March 15 of next year.

Here's the Treasury's kind paragraph, couched in official language:

"Any taxpayer who is a member of the military or naval forces of the United States in active service on September 15, 1943, is hereby granted an extension of time for such period as may be necessary but not beyond March 15, 1944, within which to file the declaration of estimated tax required by section 58 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and to pay such estimated tax or any installment thereof otherwise required to be paid before March 15, 1944. If under the terms of the extension herein granted the time for filing a declaration of estimated tax is extended beyond the close of the taxpayer's taxable year and the taxpayer makes his income tax return and pays the tax for such taxable year on or before March 15, 1944, no declaration of estimated tax need be filed for such year."

## 4 Medics Off To New Schools

Four members of the Medical Detachment, Station Hospital, have been designated to take special technical courses in Army General Hospitals. Sgt. James W. Goldsboro will take an eight week course for laboratory technicians, and Pfc. Raymond L. St. Hilare, at a dental technicians school, Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colo. Corporal Raymer O. Stockdale, a course for surgical technicians, and Pfc. Houston I. Wheeler, Jr., for medical technicians, at William Beaumont General Hospital, El Paso, Tex. The latter school will extend over an eight week period.

## Sergeant's Club to Get Decorations, Furnishings

Plans for converting the Sergeants' Club into one of the most attractive recreation spots at Camp Abbot were announced by club officials this week.

Redecoration of the club's game room, library room and bar is under way, and new furnishings are being purchased. For the redecorating program, the club has obtained the services of Pvt. Howard Boyer of Company B, 56th Battalion, who for 17 years prior to his induction was an interior decorator for Marshall Field Company in Chicago.

Club officials also announced that Sgt. Max Mannheim of the Post Finance Office has been named treasurer to succeed M/Sgt. David Moreland, who recently was transferred to another station.

## Legal Service Now Available

Legal advice and assistance to military personnel in the conduct of their personal affairs is now available at Camp Abbot through Mr. Charles R. Marsch, paymaster at the Smith, Hoffman and Wright Company. A member of the Oregon State and Deschutes County Bar Association, Mr. Marsch devotes evenings to camp personnel who wish legal assistance and can be reached for appointment at 153.

This service is one which was established by the War Department in joint sponsorship with the American Bar Association so that military personnel can obtain legal service from volunteer civilian lawyers and lawyers who are in the armed forces. Each army post within the United States is authorized to maintain such a service, under the jurisdiction of the Judge Advocate, with modifications to meet local conditions. Volunteer personnel give their services gratuitously unless the transaction involves expense such as notary fees, etc.

## Manpower Chief Visitor to Post

Brig. Gen. A. W. Lane, Ninth Service Command representative of the War Manpower Board, conferred with high ranking Post officials Monday on the general problem of economy in the use of manpower.

Object of the general's brief visit—it lasted for slightly more than an hour—was to determine what this installation could do toward solving the manpower problem.

General Lane arrived by bus from Klamath Falls and a short time later departed by the same means. A command car was provided for the general's use, but, except on trips to and from the bus station, its one-star flag was furled.

## Personnel Section Handles Emergency Furlough Cases

Unit commanders were reminded by the Personnel Division this week to have men applying for emergency furloughs report directly to the Enlisted Personnel Section with the telegram, letter or other record of circumstances instead of making application through the Red Cross. Application through the Red Cross retards granting of the furlough in addition to causing much extra work for the Red Cross, it was pointed out.

## Second ERTC Unit Finishes Training Here

(52nd Bn. Correspondent)

The second contingent of trainees to reach Camp Abbot, members of the 52nd Engineer Training Battalion, were "graduated" following a field day program last Saturday.

First event on the program was a fight contest between squads of the battalion's four companies. Company B punched out a decisive victory over Company D to win the 52nd championship. A consolation award went to Co. A which defeated a Co. C team.

Training tests were held Saturday morning and the program concluded with a review and final inspection of troops in the afternoon. Members of the reviewing party, headed by Col. Frank S. Besson, Post commander, were Col. Lester H. Hall, executive officer; Lt. Col. C. C. Custner, commanding officer of the 11th Group; Lt. Col. Merrill A. Pimentel, director of the Supply and Service Division; Capt. Dale M. Smith, Engineer property officer; Capt. John C. H. Nelson, Post signal officer and Capt. M. P. Coover, Post intelligence officer.

Following the inspection, a farewell address was delivered by Colonel Besson.

During its stay at Camp Abbot, the 52nd came in for a number of "firsts" both in training and in sports. A new record in heavy ponton bridge construction was established by Company A recently when it spanned the Deschutes river in four hours, two hours and five minutes ahead of the previous record. The battalion was the first to conduct its own golf tournament and the first to have a weight lifting contest.

Commanding officer of the 52nd is Maj. Lawrence J. Fuller.

## Eligible Soldiers' Wives Asked to AUW Meeting

Eligible soldiers' wives are invited to attend a meeting of the Bend Chapter, Association of University Women, to be held at the home of Mrs. Allison Goodfellow, 1436 W. Third street, at 8 p. m., September 16.

An outline of the year's work will be given by Mrs. George Simmerville, who will discuss the clubs subject: "History of the United States Foreign Policy." All eligible army wives are urged to be present. A musical program has been arranged.

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