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## Abbot 'n Around

Entertainment On and Off the Post for the Coming Week

### SATURDAY

Open house at the USO in Bend.  
Open house and refreshments at Service Club.

### SUNDAY

Breakfast at USO in Bend from 10 to 11 a. m.; music from 4.30 to 5.30 p. m. and buffet from 4 to 5 p. m.  
Open House at Service Club.

### MONDAY

GI movies at Service Club at 8 p. m.  
Game night at USO in Bend.

### TUESDAY

Social evening at the USO in Bend.  
Bingo at Service Club.

### WEDNESDAY

Weekly dance at Service Club at 8:30 p. m.  
Pinochle Club meeting at USO in Bend.

### THURSDAY

"Khaki Kapers" show at Service Club.  
Bingo at USO in Bend at 8 p. m. and Music Appreciation Hour at 9 p. m.

### FRIDAY

Dancing Class at USO in Bend at 8 p. m.  
Musical Quiz program at Service Club.

### THEATER SCHEDULE

SATURDAY—"Swing Fever," Kay Kyser, Marilyn Maxwell and William Gargan. Short subjects—"Fuss 'n Feathers," "Fighting 69" cartoon and "Water Wisdom."

SUNDAY and MONDAY—"Jack London," Michael O'Shea, Susan Hayward and Louise Beavers. Short subjects—"Baby Puss" cartoon, RKO Pathe News.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY—"No Time For Love," Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray; short subjects—Army-Navy Screen Magazine and Community Sing.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY—"Higher and Higher," Frank Sinatra, Michele Morgan and Jack Haley. Short subjects—"Volcano is Born" and RKO Pathe News.

SATURDAY—"The Cross of Lorraine," Pierre Aumont, Gene Kelly and Peter Lorre. Short subjects—"Hunting the Devil Cat" and "Wreck of the Hesperus," cartoon.

## Trainee Was Target in Indians' Jungle Fight

By Pvt. Max Katz

(Medical Detachment)

Jungle warfare is nothing strange to Pvt. Robert A. Macrae of Co. A, 57th Bn., for he was instructed in its mysteries by the inventors of guerilla warfare, the savage Motilone Indians of Venezuela.

Several times while in charge of a Shell Oil survey party in the rainy jungles of Venezuela, Macrae was surprised by flights of 4½-foot black palm arrows which came hissing toward him out of the dense thickets. It was impossible to determine the location of the Indians. All the surveyors could do was pull their revolvers and blaze away at random. Macrae doubts they ever hit anything except perhaps an inoffensive vine, but the savages were frightened away. As long as the surveyors stayed in large groups they were safe, but small parties were in constant danger of attack. For at the same time Macrae was attacked, another surveyor on the Colombian side of the border had his two guides killed in a surprise raid by the Motilones and his own wound necessitated taking meals off a mantle for some time.

The survey party's main job was to definitely locate the boundary between Colombia and Venezuela in order to determine the extent of their oil company's concession. Government survey parties had made their way up the navigable streams and had placed stone markers along the banks where the streams intersected the border. Macrae had to beat across country cutting

a trail through the jungle from marker to marker in order to survey the ground. It was during these trips they were most susceptible to attack.

Macrae also has been in Dutch West Indies, Cuba, Jamaica, and all of the Central American countries with the exception of tiny British Honduras. And as an unpleasant souvenir of his tropical journeys, Macrae has harbored a few malaria bugs and still claims to be the host to an unenviable assortment of Central American whip and tape-worms.

Private Macrae has an almost inexhaustible supply of tales, and takes great delight in telling of the old Indian archer who tried to shoot his plane down with a bow and arrows. And his stories of the sainted Virgin of Chinquinuira, and of the semipagan rites of the Day of San Benito smack strongly of old world mysticism. Macrae has been a good observer and has had several articles on South and Central America accepted by geographical journals.

Los Angeles is home to Macrae, for there he was born and went to school. He got a Civil Engineering degree from Cal. Tech. in 1935. First he worked for the Pacific Electric Railway after his graduation and then went hunting black gold for the Shell oil Co. in Venezuela.

In the latrine after lights are out, Macrae is in his full glory as he tells about the professional bird hunter who followed the wrong end of his compass needle for a week and wondered why things continued to look unfamiliar.

## Post Sets State Record in Xmas Seal Campaign

Officers and enlisted men of Camp Abbot contributed \$1,668.89 during the recent Christmas Seal campaign, Post Headquarters announced this week. A check representing the amount was given to Col. Frank S. Besson, ERTC commander, Wednesday by Maj. Paul Diediker, head of the Administrative Branch, and the commanding officer in turn presented the check to Mrs. Chris Kostol, secretary-treasurer of the Christmas Seal Sales Committee for Deschutes county.

Although for reasons of military security it is impossible to reveal the average purchase of seals per individual member of the Camp Abbot garrison, it is possible to state that purchases were perhaps in excess of any per individual in the history of seal sales in Oregon.

The 11th Engineer Training Group led with a total of \$750.14. Second was officer personnel who, after being canvassed by mail, sent in \$317. The Headquarters group ranked third with \$267.51. In the latter group, Supply Company far outstripped other companies with \$106.56, more than twice the amount purchased by other organizations. The Medical Detachment turned in \$50 and Civilian Personnel, \$70.05. Stamps in the amount of \$5.97 were sold by the post exchange.

## Notes From A-58



Starting with the orientation program which was presented to the 58th Battalion Sunday, Dec. 26, and which drew commendation from Col. Frank S. Besson, ERTC commander, as being the most interesting and instructive program to date, the battalion went on this week to the fundamentals of military courtesy, organization, military law, hygiene, rifle marksmanship, close order drill and other basic subjects.

A point gathered from some of the lectures was that there are many opportunities for careers in the Corps of Engineers. The fellow who is queer for jewelry has a chance to become a pearl diver—namely a dish washer, and those who've had managerial experience in hotels, apartment houses and offices can become a major domo of the barrack—commonly known as room orderly. And so it goes.

### IN REVIEW:

Best military personality observed — Capt. Walter H. Yarbrough.

Best looking lieutenant — Lt. William Cunningham.

Best commands (pure English)—stentorian Sgt. Earl Woods.

Most scholarly looking (and is)—1st/Sgt. James Sawyer.

Most hard to please job—that of Mess Sgt. Joseph Kesler.

Orchids to our company commander for having a drummer beat out the step.

An orchid to Cpl. J. Montoya—he does wonders in the bakery—his French pastry tastes exactly like Danish. If he only had the goods to work with...

The boy most in love—Pvt. General Coulter. No it's not

## Old Gag's Back



Perhaps by way of apology for participating in such an ancient gag as sitting on an ice cake for cheesecake, RKO actress Daun Kennedy explains it was requested from fighters of Asiatic Pacific war theater, who named her "The Girl We Would Like to Warm Our Iceberg."

double talk; it's his right monniker. His mother must have planned on him being a general.

The boy most disappointed in love—Pvt. Don David. He started out with six queens writing to him and now he only hears from two.

The boy most comical—Pvt. Tony Simone. He answers all questions backwards.

The boy who gets the most mail—Pvt. Roger Bridge. Someone must be quite fond of him, aside from bill collectors.

The boy (flattering term) most often late for everything, including breakfast—Pvt. Ernest G. Cushman.

The boy who had the best first inspection—Pvt. Charles I. Smith.

The boy who had the best rolled pack first time out—Pvt. Thompson, former 1-Star Scout.

Best developed torso—Cpl. Angelo J. Maniaci. The army's six and six traction trucks were patterned along his lines.

The past week has seen the starting of the parade of butterfingers carrying their rifles with them to the mess hall. This form of punishment is for either dropping it or for calling it by a different name.

NOTICE: This is not a complaint department. If you have any squawks, write your congressman; he is probably on vacation in Florida anyway. If you have any ideas as to how to run the army, drop your plans in the Idea Box in the mess hall. Pvt.

## Sale of Concert Memberships Set For Jan. 10-15

Membership cards for the Bend Community Concert Association will be sold at the Control Office in Camp Abbot Headquarters and at the Pilot Butte Inn in Bend from January 10 to 15, Capt. Robert J. Cosgrove, camp representative on the arrangements committee, announced this week.

A \$5.50 membership card will entitle the bearer to attend a minimum of three concerts featuring prominent artists of the Columbia Broadcasting System, Captain Cosgrove pointed out. Cards are transferrable and can be used in any of 350 cities throughout the United States which sponsors the association. Admission to concerts is by season membership card only, and no membership cards will be sold after January 15.

The number of concerts and choice of artists depends entirely on the number of membership cards sold, but, providing there are sufficient sales, the Bend association guarantees at least three concerts will be presented and that one will feature Dorothy Maynor, young Negro soprano. Miss Maynor's concert is scheduled the latter part of January and others in the spring.

Since the association is a non-profit organization dedicated only to bringing great artists to the community, money will be refunded to members should plans fail to materialize.

## Colonel Lauds GIs' Conduct

Camp Abbot soldiers were commended by Col. Frank S. Besson, ERTC commander, last week for their good conduct and moderation in drinking.

"It appears that I'll soon be able to relieve my MP Patrol in Bend," Colonel Besson said after reviewing a report stating no arrests were made for drunkenness or disorderly conduct between Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Lloyd Combs reports the loss of a white gold wedding band. Anyone finding it please report to the commanding officer.

OUR MOTTO: IT—SHALL—BE DONE.

Buy National War Bonds Now!

## The Wolf

by Sansone

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"If you'll tell me just what you're looking for perhaps I can help!"