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HELL FOR HITLER



"Hitler" and "Tojo" literally burned up when Camp Abbot went over the top in the Fourth War Loan Drive. The achievement was celebrated this week with the burning of effigies of the Axis duo after they'd been drawn to the top of the scaffold as sales mounted. A flame thrower was used to add the engineering touch. Sales reached \$113,237, well over the unofficial goal of \$100,000.

**Sales in Bond Drive
Double Earlier Total**

War bonds worth \$113,337 at maturity—well over twice the total reached in the last war bond drive—were sold for cash during the two months of the Fourth War Loan Drive ending February 29. Lt. Col. Russell D. Turrill, co-chairman of the Camp Abbot War Bond Council has announced.

The right to display the U. S. Treasury "Minute Man" banner was won by employees of the QM Laundry, who led all civilian personnel in pay reservations with an average of 12.5 per cent of their monthly earnings. The banner was awarded to this post for exceeding a ten per cent pay reservation by 90 per cent of personnel. Average civilian reservation for the post was 10.9 per cent, with 100 per cent participation.

Over 51 per cent of the military personnel is investing 13.3 per cent of its base pay monthly. Officers have pledged monthly allotments totaling \$5,718.75 and enlisted men each month will buy \$27,341.25. With the civilian pay reservation total of \$17,929.70 a total monthly war bond sale of \$50,989.70 will be achieved.

**Wac Lt. Here to Study
Company Administration**

Lieutenant Laura Randall, administrative officer of the Wac Company at Camp White Oregon, is serving for 30 days with the Camp Abbot Wac Company in the same capacity.

According to Lt. Patricia E. Elwell, Wac commander here, Lt. Randall will compare administrative methods employed in the two Wac organizations.

**Meeting of Art
Group Scheduled**

Organization of an art league and the possibility of conducting classes in arts and crafts will be discussed at a meeting to be held at the Service Club at 3 p. m. tomorrow, Miss Caroline Paddock, librarian announced. The meeting, open to all personnel interested in the proposed project, will be in charge of Cpl. Angelo Caravaglia.

Miss Paddock pointed out that should plans for organizing art classes materialize, members will have at their disposal a wide variety of art supplies ordered recently by the Service Club. Since it was not known in which room of the club tomorrow's meeting will be held, she requested that those planning to attend inquire at the library.

MAIL HOURS CHANGED

Service hours at the Camp Abbot post office have been extended to include a period from 6 to 8 p. m. Wednesdays. The Wednesday schedule will remain in operation as long as patronage warrants it, officials said.

**\$2,395 Donated
To Red Cross in
War Fund Drive**

Camp Abbot's contributions to the American Red Cross National War Fund drive reached \$2,395.50 yesterday, 10 days after solicitation for the month-long campaign was started.

The majority of contributions to date have been from enlisted men; since personal solicitation of officers and civilian personnel has not yet had time to gain momentum, Frank Dunning, Red Cross field director for the camp explained.

Contributors include: Headquarters personnel, \$371.91; headquarters officers, \$58; Red Cross staff, \$36; 12th Group \$1,117.03; 11th Group, \$615.16; Medical Detachment, \$48; civilian personnel, \$28.50, and Personnel Division officers, \$121.

**Patients to Hold
St. Pat's Shindig**

All eyes will be smiling—all eyes will be Irish—when the patients of the Station Hospital jigtime into a gay old St. Patrick's party Thursday evening.

It'll be a fine bit of Erin—with a blarney stone (for kissin'), a well (for wishin'), spuds (for rollin'), and ballads (for singin').

Shamrocks and daffodils will be everywhere, and maybe a greased pig, too.

**Available Men
May Get Leave**

*Delay Enroute May Supplant
Furlough If Time Is Short*

"When at all possible, our hope is to grant men of the first shipping wave eligible for furloughs enough delay en route to their next station to give them seven days at home," Lt. Col. Russell D. Turrill, director of personnel, said this week. The declaration was made to clarify the furlough situation of those men who, because of training or medical requirements, will not have sufficient time to go home before being reported available on March 20.

**Talent File
Seen as Boon
To GI Shows**

Overseas theatres as well as Camp Abbot and other installations throughout the nation are expected to receive big entertainment dividends through a new program conceived by the Special Service Officer here this week.

Plans provide for establishment of talent file listing in detail theatrical and recreational experience of every man in the Engineering Replacement Training Center here. Data cards will be used here in the selection of talent for post programs and forwarded to Special Service Officers of units to which men are assigned on completion of their training.

"The aim is to teach soldiers not only to entertain themselves but also to entertain others, Capt. V. G. Henderson, Special Service Officer, said. Plans for awarding certificates of recognition to soldiers participating in entertainment programs here also are under consideration, he added.

Data cards submitted by members of the 51st and 52nd Battalions already are being reviewed by Sgt. Buddy Hyde, program director for the Morale Branch, and Cpl. Agnes Sonnenfelt of the Wac Company. Trainees with promising records will be personally interviewed and recorded as available for Camp shows, radio programs and similar activities.

It is planned to have each incoming battalion submit talent cards soon after arriving on the Post. Battalions which already have completed part of their training will not be interviewed, but men who feel qualified are urged to contact Sergeant Hyde at the Morale Office, 'phone 160.

**Amphibian Command Is
KBND Broadcast Topic**

A new phase of the Engineer program, the Engineer Amphibian Command, was discussed in the weekly Camp Abbot radio broadcast over KBND, Bend, Wednesday night under direction of the Morale Services Division.

Sgt. Buddy Hyde and Pvt. Charles Drake and Riley Crabb participated in the informational program.

A personnel memorandum was given out by the personnel director Monday. Enlisted men of the cadre who are being released for service overseas should be granted furloughs prior to shipment to ports of embarkation or replacement depots unless urgent military necessity prevents, the letter read.

However, inasmuch as such furloughs may not be granted until all training required by Ninth Service Command order is completed, which in most cases will be sometime during the next two weeks, many men of the first wave will be unable to get home before being made available.

Those scheduled for release April 20 or May 20 will have no difficulty in getting furloughs if eligible for them, the director stated.

As replacements requisitioned to fill vacancies left by available men arrive, men qualified for overseas duty will be relieved from assignment, and made attached unassigned. They will then be reported available for reassignment as casual replacements with the request that these men be retained for a period sufficient to train an understudy for their job.

This understudy period, unless the position carries highly technical skill, will not exceed 30 days, and in all events will not last beyond June 30. No man will be reported available for reassignment until his replacement actually arrives, the memorandum emphasized.

Late Fight Results

As the Camp Abbot boxing meet neared an end, five men emerged from last night's bouts as post champs.

In the 118 pound class, Scott, 56th Bn. decisioned Petz, 57th; 126 pounds—Soler, 58th, defeated Sutherland, 59th, by forfeit; 135 pounds—Holquin, 58th, KO'd Hinkley, 57th, in the second round; 175 pounds—Ward, 56th, decisioned Fraley, 57th; heavyweight—Bernhardt, 55th, won a decision from Lino, 57th.

With two bouts still remaining the 58th Bn. leads the boxing race with 10 points. Other standings: 56th, 6; 57th, 4; 55th, 3; 59th, 1.

FREE TICKETS

Free tickets for the violin recital Monday in Bend of Patricia Travers, widely-acclaimed young violinist, are still available to enlisted men and women at the Service Club or Special Service office.