

GIRLS INVITED TO SOLDIER PARTIES

With the holiday season and scheduling of many additional parties and dances for servicemen at Camp White, there is a need for larger numbers of young women to attend the affairs it was stated today by recreational workers of the city. Young women of the valley willing to volunteer to attend the parties are asked to call Mrs. I. E. Schuler at 5765, for information.

It is pointed out that the parties at camp are well supervised, transportation is provided from town and that young women who attend always report an enjoyable time. Good music is provided for dancing and frequently excellent entertainment is provided.

RESPIRATOR BABY, MOTHER, DO WELL

Portland, Ore., Dec. 20.—(U.P.) A little baby boy and his plucky 20-year-old mother, who was removed from an "iron lung" respirator for the few minutes required for the birth, today were getting along nicely in a Portland hospital.

Mrs. Carolyn Davis Wilson has remained in the respirator since the normal delivery of her second son Saturday afternoon. And for the first time since then, her physicians today announced she was in an "improved" condition. The hourly bulletins up until today said she was in "fair" condition.

The second-best Christmas

Somehow or other, Christmas has always been the children's day. No matter how poor the land, no matter how hard the times, father has always been able to provide a drum. With fingers and needle, mother has seen to it that something was done about the doll situation.

Often it has meant sacrifice. But big eyes around the tree on Christmas morning have been return enough. The "ah!" and the "oh!" and the "oh, boy!" have made Christmas one thing always worth the cost. On Christmas, the family has felt that complete closeness that is worth everything.

As its time approaches in this war-torn year of our Lord, 1943, Christmas is more than ever the children's day. Only the family is bigger—closer. On this Christmas Day the family includes every American in these United States.

Whether rich or poor, whether the times are for each one good or hard, Americans are making sure this Christmas that the children get the greatest of all gifts—freedom. To assure the children this gift, the grown-ups of America have pledged everything—their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

This greatest gift of all will not show this year on any Christmas tree. Yet it will be there all the same—the brightest, the most wonderful gift man has ever known. For this year America is a family, and the lives of free men and free women are the family's gift to the children. That simple fact makes this the greatest Christmas since the first.

Pilots Learn to Fly by Instruments Alone



Learning to fly the B-26 Marauder by means of instruments alone is part of the post-graduate training student-officers receive at the Dodge City Army Airfield. Practice flight directions are recorded on a graph by an inked recorder wheel electrically hooked up to the Link Trainer (now the Instrument Flying Trainer) so that mistakes can be studied and corrected.



The remaining Marines on Tarawa kneel in tribute to their fallen comrades as Father C. C. Riedel, Marine Corps chaplain from Chicago, says mass. Serving as altar boy is French Priest Father Henri Jollive who escaped from the Japanese on Tarawa.

Postman Who Lost Pants Is Freakiest Accident of Year

Chicago—(U.P.)—The National Safety Council's freak accident report was topped by stories of a postman delivering mail without his pants, a soldier welded into his sleeping bag when lightning hit the zipper and an automobile absent-mindedly driven up an opening bridge.

When the residents of Coconut Grove, Fla., looked outside for their mail one day they saw the postman who delivered it was not wearing pants.

"It isn't the heat," he said. "I fell off my bicycle and landed in an anthill. Even when the United States postal service gets ants in its pants the mail goes through."

The junior high school class in Ponca City, Okla., watched a demonstration by Dr. W. A. Franklin of how to handle matches the safe way.

"First remove the match," he said, "then close the container." As he flipped open the matchbox all of the matches caught fire. He put his fingers in his mouth, saying, "That, students, is what happens when one becomes momentarily careless."

During an army maneuver in Tennessee a soldier awoke with a start and couldn't unfasten the zipper of his sleeping bag, and found that he was in a straight jacket, with the raindrops splashing on his face. When his companions released him they found that lightning had welded the zipper fast.

Another soldier, in the Solomons, Pvt. Ernest M. Scofield of Denver, Colo., had huddled into a foxhole as much as he could to avoid enemy fire. A stray bullet dislodged a coconut from a tree limb overhead. The coconut broke his left leg. Otherwise he came out of the fray unscathed.

Herbert L. Carpenter of Brooklyn, N. Y., considered the situation every morning as he went to work in the crowded subway. There was never enough room, so usually he considered it standing up, and it made him tired and angry. One day he took the results of his studies—how to eliminate subway rushes—to the mayor. On his way home he was trampled in the subway and had to be taken to a hospital for treatment.

A 17-year-old boy in Milwaukee, Wis., daydreaming as he rode along, drove up the opening leaf of the Sixth Street bridge.

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PRINTERS ORDERED BACK TO LABORS

Washington, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—The war labor board today ordered typographical union members to return to their jobs on Washington newspapers and called on the international union officials to explain why they condoned repeated violations of labor's no-strike pledge by their members.

The board acted as the work stoppage, affecting all four Washington newspapers, resulted in no afternoon newspapers publishing. The dispute was referred earlier to the WLB by the labor department.

The local union began a "continuous meeting" yesterday which resulted in no members reporting for work. The action came as the climax to a long dispute over a union demand for a \$1-a-day increase. The publishers had offered 72 cents.

Closing time for Sunday too late to classify 6:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

GETS BERLIN ELEPHANT
Barcelona, Spain, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—The Barcelona city park has acquired from the Berlin zoological museum the only elephant which survived the Allied bombings of the Reich capital. It was learned today.

The highest point of land in San Francisco is Mt. Davidson, elevation 956 feet.

MAIL CLOSING TIME
Airmail
Northbound 3:47 a. m.
11:17 a. m.
1:49 p. m.
8:49 p. m.
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Urges Training More Psychiatrists For Cases Caused by War

Chicago (U.P.)—The need for psychiatric service is great and the supply of psychiatrists low, Lt. Col. William C. Menninger said, urging establishment of short, intensive training courses in psychiatry for physicians.

Writing in the American Medical Association "Journal," Menninger, neuropsychiatric consultant for the Fourth Service command, said such courses would help meet an immediate need in the armed services and "also for the tremendous post-war job."

"Every physician, both in and out of the army, must be concerned with the number of psychiatric cases which the war experience has disclosed in our general population," Menninger wrote. "The medical and social implications of this group are beyond our present ability to estimate."

The immediate problem is the rapid and most effective disposition of maladjusted individuals in the army, and in subordinating other considerations to the urgent one of winning the war, those unfit for service must be turned over to civilian agencies and physicians, he said.

An average of eight to 10 per cent of men examined are rejected for psychiatric reasons, and nearly 30 per cent of army discharges are for similar reasons, Menninger said. At the same time, only two per cent of the medical profession are psychiatrists, so that while "the social implication, is enormous, the importance to the medical profession is even greater."

Even in normal practice, he said, physicians are aware that 40 to 60 per cent of their patients have nothing organically wrong with them.

LAND DEAL COMPLETION WAITS TITLE DETAILS

The deal between the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, and the county court for the purchase of county land in southeastern Jackson county, will be completed as soon as abstract work such as checking on titles, and quieting them have been completed, county officials said. The timber company will use the land for a long term forestry reclamation project. Some of the land has been burned over, and other sections have been logged off. Between 6,000 and 7,000 acres are involved, all non-tillable.

HOLLYWOOD THIEF

Hollywood, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—A Hollywood thief without the customary spirit played Santa Claus to himself today. Mrs. Mary Ruggero told police a burglar entered her home and helped himself to all the presents under the Christmas tree, valued at \$180. He also stole a jewel box containing valuable family keepsakes, she said.

NAZI SHIP EXPLODES

London, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—Stockholm radio in a home broadcast reported today that a German ammunition vessel exploded as it was being unloaded in Oslo harbor, Norway, yesterday. Killing at least four persons, injuring many and rocking the area with intermittent blasts for five hours.

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