

CAMP HALE SKI ZETTIE

VOLUME 1 CAMP HALE, COLORADO, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1943 NUMBER 41

10th Division Activation Ceremony Tomorrow

THE WAR THIS WEEK

Rabaul Smashed

The biggest Allied air force ever assembled struck a Titanic and crippling blow at Japan's main Southwest Pacific base of Rabaul, wrecking 60 per cent of its planes and sinking 17,600 tons of shipping. The American air commander, Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, assessed the victory as "the turning point of the war in that sector."

Having already wiped out Japan's New Guinea, air base by destroying some 500 planes there, the destruction or damage of 177 planes at Rabaul now gives the Allied air forces mastery of the air in the Solomon Sea and adjacent waters. The raiding planes were Liberators, Mitchells and P-38s. Only five planes were lost out of the hundreds employed.

Italy Declares War

One of the high lights of the week's news was the declaration of war by Italy upon her former ally, Germany. The action was announced by Premier Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, and Josef Stalin, signifying the approval of the United Nations of the move by the government headed by Marshal Pietro Badoglio. In a statement announcing the declaration, the Marshal said that Italy had forgotten the dreadful past and would "march with you to inevitable victory."

The Allies have driven the Germans from about one third of the Italian mainland, but the Nazis still occupy Rome and the important industrial areas and air fields in the north of Italy.

Italy's chief contribution to the United Nations war effort will be her fleet, of which 100 fine warships are already in the hands of the Allies.

The fighting Fifth Army of Gen. Clark Mott-Smith doggedly to push deeper into the German-held Italy, and yesterday news dispatches reported that several bridgeheads had been established across the Volturno river, less than 100 miles south of Rome.

Portugal Grants Bases

Tiny Portugal, Britain's oldest ally, this week granted the British anti-submarine bases in the Azores Islands, the crossroads of the Atlantic, but retained her neutral status on the European mainland. The facilities granted include harbors for the dispatch of naval craft and airports for planes. The Azores are about 1,000 miles west of Lisbon and are directly in the air and sea lanes between Portugal and the United States.

It is not believed that Portugal's act will lead to the opening of hostilities with Germany, because of the value of Lisbon as a diplomatic and spy center.

The Russian army was fighting in the streets of Melitopol on Thursday. Melitopol is a city of 72,000, just 65 miles from the Crimea. Only advancing Russian armies were fighting in the outskirts of burning Kiev, capital of the Ukraine. The advance of the Reds into Melitopol signaled the cracking of the famous German "Crimea Line."

GI Chow Puls 25 Pounds On Underage Soldier

Camp Shelby, Miss. — (CNS) — Twenty-five pounds were gained by Pvt. Harry E. Maurer during his 10-month "hitch" in the Army. Maurer, who enlisted on his 17th birthday, was discharged from this Post recently as underage.

USO Show To Make Two-Day Stopover Here

Service Club, 85th Rec Hall, Hospital Get Performances

A USO troupe of entertainers will make a two-day stand here Oct. 21-22 when it puts on three shows for Camp Hale personnel at the Service Club, Hospital and 85th Rec Hall.

The first show will be held Thursday, 8 p. m., at the 85th Rec Hall. The Friday shows will be held at 2:30 p. m. at the Hospital and at 8 p. m. at the Service Club.

The cast includes Sid Raymond, comedian and emcee, who for over fifteen years has been a favorite here and in Canada, playing leading night clubs and theaters in both countries. His impersonations of Bert Lahr, Al Jolson, and other famous comedians are hilarious. Raymond has been heard on the radio and has been featured in films. The high spot of his career came when he acted as M. C. before President Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga.

Betty Austin, a clever and versatile performer who hails from Boston, does a singing and dancing novelty act. In this show she starts out as a singer, makes a swift change of costume and gives her impression of a song-and-dance man, then ends with a team la dancing number. Betty has been in show business for ten years and has played in theaters and clubs along the east coast and in Michigan, Canada.

"The Yankee Doodle Dandy of magic, Little Johnny Jones, has played hundreds of topnight clubs and theaters all over the country and Canada. Jones began the study of magic at the age of 12 and has never stopped. An internationally known showman and magician, he has twenty-five different floor show routines. Many of his tricks are of his own invention.

Lauren & Ginger, a man and girl musical comedy act, has played in major European cities including all the capitals. Their act includes instrumental impressions of well-known musicians and employs nine different instruments. Ginger, a redhead, takes part in all the comedy as well as playing the accordion throughout the act.

Sewing Ladies At EM Club On Friday

If there are any buttons that you can't seem to get around to sewing on, stripes, insignia or brassards to be put on, or even if it's just a week to be mended and your talents don't run toward sewing, don't worry.

This Friday and every Friday thereafter, the "sewing ladies" of Leadville will be at the Service Club here at camp to do any needed sewing for you Hale soldiers. Just bundle up the things (preferably clean) that you want work done on, and take them to the Club any time from 9:30 a. m. till the evening.

Although every precaution will be taken to prevent clothes from being lost or misplaced, the ladies will not be held responsible for such should it occur.

Among those who so kindly offered their services are Mrs. Emil Sotin, Mrs. Dean Willis, Mrs. Paul R. Clark, Mrs. W. J. Miller, Mrs. E. F. Clark, Mrs. W. J. Miller, Mrs. E. F. Clark, Mrs. W. J. Miller, Mrs. E. F. Clark.



Mrs. Ruffner plus a Brigadier General's star on her husband, General David Ruffner, as Major General Lloyd E. Jones, CG of the Tenth Infantry Division, who received his second star at the same time as General Ruffner was promoted from Colonel, looks admiringly on.

A Barber, No Less!

Who Is This Guy Who Shells Out \$1,000 Bills for War Bonds, Anyway?

By Pvt. Marvin Devers, Co. A, 128 Engr. Bn.

When it was announced that T/S Lawrence V. Kaufman had bought a War Bond worth \$1000, every man in Camp Hale had just one question. "How the hell did he do it?" they demanded. Many jumped at the conclusion that T/S Kaufman had been a millionaire in civilian life. This reporter, as bewildered as anyone else, hiked over to B Co, 128th Engineers, where the champion bond buyer handles supplies. We found him (it was after church) stretched out on the bed in his room.

"Do you want a haircut?" he demanded the moment we stepped into the room. Right there we had part of the answer to our question. Pvt. T/S Kaufman helps out his Army pay

by cutting hair for a nominal sum. Or maybe it's vice versa. He denied immediately that he had been a millionaire play-boy before the first draft drop net caught him about two and one half years ago. He had made a comfortable living as a barber and carpenter, practicing these trades separately, we assume. He didn't save much money as a civilian; he didn't start piling it up until he hit the Army. "Dancing's my main recreation," he said, and added that he prefers jitterbugging. And we've saved this personal description of T/S Kaufman for this spot—Was please copy? He is well built, is exactly five feet tall. (Turn to Page 4, Column 7)

"Bon Voyage" Party Given Miss Johnson

Miss Eva Johnson, Director of the Camp Hale Service Club, was honored at a dinner party given by Mrs. Howard Dine, Post Librarian, on October 12, at the Officers' Club.

Miss Johnson, whose home is at Parkersburg, Iowa, is leaving Camp Hale October 20 for Washington, D. C., where she will take indoctrination training in preparation for American Red Cross overseas duty.

Guests who gathered to wish Miss Johnson "Bon Voyage" were Lt. Col. C. Griffin, Major Guy Hoover, Capt. Russell Park, Lt. Robert Alexander, Lt. Wm. Cole, Lt. Alfred Briggs, Lt. Bernard Gordon, Lt. Natalie Guard, Mrs. Marjorie Kronquist, Miss Alma Post, Mrs. Betty Malmsberger, and Miss Esther Stefan.

At a Departmental party held earlier in the week, Miss Johnson was presented with a watch and traveling case as a going-away remembrance.

Joe Louis & Co. To Put On Boxing Exhibition Here Wednesday at Field House, Hospital



Sgt. Joe Louis and his crew of fistieft artists will display their wares at a boxing exhibition Wednesday at the Field House as part of their nationwide tour of Army camps under the sponsorship of the Army Special Service Department.

The crew of all-Negro fighters will first give out with a few verbal pointers before patrons at the Station Hospital at 2:30 p. m.

At 7 o'clock that evening the soldier-boxers will square off at the Field House in the main event.

Louis will take on Sgt. George S. Nicholson, his all-time sparring mate, and Cpl. Walker Smith, the "Sugar" Ray Robinson of the boxing world and world's welterweight title claimant, will meet Pvt. George J. (Jackie) Wilson, former world's welterweight title holder.

In addition to the above exhibitions, Camp Hale boxers also will put on a little show. Cpl. Robert J. Payne, trainer for the touring crew, also will be on hand.

Louis & Co. have made an extensive tour of camps in the States this past summer and are now in the midst of the trek through the Midwest and Rocky Mountain areas.

Upon completion of this tour the troupe is scheduled to give overseas to put on exhibitions for troops there.

Formal Activation Rites To Be Combined With Gigantic Camp Hale Harvest Carnival

Saturday afternoon will really be a "red-letter" day in the lives of Camp Hale GIs, for at 1300 will begin the formal Division Activation ceremony for the Tenth Infantry Division, and with the ceremony the Harvest Carnival gets under way with activities that will provide fun, frolic and amusement until 2130 Sunday evening.

The activation will take place at 1400 with the presentation to Major General Lloyd E. Jones, Commanding General of the Tenth Infantry Division, of the Division colors by Major General Charles P. Hall, U. S. A., Commanding General of the XI Corps, Fort Riley, Kans.

Governor Vivian To Speak

Governor John C. Vivian of Colorado will be present and is scheduled to deliver a speech of welcome. Division Chaplain Roger D. Russell will offer prayer.

Following presentation of the colors and the addresses, the entire division will pass in review.

A public Open House will be held following the actual ceremony and will include exhibits of Infantry weapons, mountain tents and special winter equipment, 75-mm. pack howitzer with quarter-ton prime mover, a medical field clearing station, mule packing demonstration, pigeon demonstration, and a maneuver by a pack howitzer section.

At 1530 an actual phase of combat will be demonstrated by a unit in an attack against permanent land fortifications.

After the serious events of the day, then the fun begins! At the Field House barkers will cry their wares, exhorting the spectators to try their luck or trust their skill. Scrip, instead of real money, will be used in concessions and for food. As an added incentive to buy as much or more scrip than you need, all unused "Harvest money" will be redeemed on Sunday evening—in War Stamps Concessions will be open from 1630 to 2300.

Carnival Queen To Be Chosen

Saturday night features a stage show, with entertainers both from within and without the Camp.

During the show, the Seven Harvest Princesses, lovingly young ladies from Salida, Glenwood Springs, Leadville, Eagle, Red Cliff, Pando and the WAC detachment, will be introduced to the assemblage. Among the Princesses will be Miss Judy Allen, of Eagle; Miss Ella Meyer, Pando; Miss Ella Warren, Red Cliff; Miss Martha Stodden, Leadville, and representing Camp Hale's own WAC Detachment, Pfc. Patty Burke.

The Carnival reopens Sunday at 1300, and continues in full swing until 1700, when the Field House will be closed to prepare for the Harvest Dance.

At 1830, the Harvest Queen, the loveliest of the Princesses, who is to be selected by popular vote, will be crowned and the Harvest Dance will begin. Dancing continues until 2130, when the Harvest Carnival comes to an end.

The stage show on Saturday and the dance Sunday are free, but scrip will be used for concessions and food.

Music Hath Charms . . .

Heifetz Room Provides "Sanctuary" For Music-Loving Hale Mountaineers

By Pvt. Henry Burrows

Do you want to get away from it all? Who doesn't these days? Well, we of the newly formed Camp Hale Music Club have found the method and the place. We felt you would like to revel in the discovery, as we have. Hence this publicity.

It can't be all yours. The stigma of your situation can't be removed merely by visiting the Heifetz Room of the Service Club Library. There you find atmosphere, plus all the comforts of home—and to top these attractions, the music of the Masters is yours for the evening. Of course, the delightful quality of the room are provided solely to further your enjoyment of the music.

We can't deem ourselves mighty fortunate to be the recipients of a double inheritance from the renowned #710; namely the music room (unique in Army Camps) and Mrs. Dine, our Librarian. It has been largely through her interest, enthusiasm, and hard work that we have a music room at Camp Hale. She has encouraged us and rendered untold support. You will note that I referred to the "sanctuary" as the Heifetz Room. We have dubbed it so—and with good reason. Justus Heifetz provided the backbone of our collection, his only gift to an army camp in the United States. It's a swell collection and we aim of our music club is to enlarge it regularly.

Here we are with the results of others' enthusiastic interest. Come on up and join us. Help maintain, enjoy and improve what we have. Ask the custodian about becoming a member of the club. Don't be afraid! Need I reemphasize with a Mountain Tanager? We have many ideas—no doubt you have. Let's get together and put them into action. Some of our more energetic members have already been assigned "ratigue details" to visit Pvt. Andrew

(Turn to Page 4, Column 5)