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THE WAR THIS WEEK

Sweet News

Air power again played a major part in last week's war news. While the pounding of Italy and Italian islands and German industrial areas continued, the sweetest aerial news for the American public came from Guadalcanal.

There American fighters raised havoc with attacking Jap planes, and in one day knocked out 32 bombers and 45 Zeros, while losing only six planes.

The Jap attack was believed to be the greatest aerial offensive the Japs had attempted against Guadalcanal and may have been a desperate attempt on the part of the Japs to forestall an anticipated American offensive.

Italy Question Mark

In Europe the question mark was Italy. While some so-called reliable sources had the Italian people begging for mercy and ready to throw in the sponge at the slightest pretext, other reports praised the fighting ability of the Italians and claimed that an attempted landing by Allied forces on Italy proper would meet with stubborn land and sea resistance.

It is no military secret that the Italian air fleet is out of date and woefully depleted, but Italy's few remaining warships would likely put up a last-ditch struggle against any attempted landing, and the Italian army, augmented by Nazi troops, would probably give a much better account of itself while defending Italian soil than it had fighting side by side its not-so-appreciative partner—Germany.

Il Duce Still Boss?

Both President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill in recent utterances have tried to drive a wedge between the Italian people and Mussolini and his Fascist henchmen. While there have been reports of peace demonstrations in such bomb-scarred cities as Naples, from all outward appearances it still looks as though Il Duce is in the driver's seat, though a very shaky seat it is.

From northern Africa comes news of a political nature which undoubtedly will have a profound effect on future military operations.

Generals De Gaulle and Giraud have come to an agreement whereby they are to become co-leaders of all French forces. The French situation has been fraught with so many little political and power angles that one finds it difficult to understand the significance of this agreement. But reports which apparently speak with authority claim this agreement to be of prime significance.

Doris Cain Marries Pvt. Carl Landman

Doris Cain, employe of the Ordnance Service Command Shop, and Pvt. Carl Landman, Co. C, 86th Infantry, were married last Sunday in Chapel No. 3. Chaplain Brendemihl of the 86th officiated at the beginning of the ceremony, and the bride's father, the Rev. Charles C. Cain, who is a Methodist minister, gave the marriage vow.

Sgt. Everett Lord-Wood was best man, and the bride's sisters, Jane Bowman and Ruth Cain, were bridesmaids. The bride's parents and two sisters came from Linwood, N. Y., to be present at the wedding.

Cpl. Richard Reimer served as an usher.

Cpl. and Mrs. Moldenhauer played pre-wedding music on twin pianos, and the Corporal played the wedding march. A reception was held for the bride and groom in the 86th Rec Hall, and there was a wedding cake baked by the DEML.

Trout in many of the streams around camp are beginning to change from bait to flies. Get flies on your next trip to town, or you may be coming in empty-handed.

Maj. Gen. Irving Phillipson and Aides Confer With Col. Chase, Chaplain Kohn About Hale Army Emergency Relief Fund



Left to right: Chaplain Otto E. Kohn, Lt. Col. John A. Chase, Maj. Gen. Irving J. Phillipson, Major J. L. McCrory and Major J. T. Tierney. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

"I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag —" 99 Camp Hale Soldiers Made Citizens At Leadville Ceremonies Last Week

Leadville USO Set Up In New Quarters

The Leadville USO Club is now set up in its new quarters on East Fifth street, Frank J. Walsh, director, and Mrs. Gaillard A. Timont, secretary, announced this week. New recreational equipment has arrived, and Leadville is ready to make visits of Camp Hale soldiers more pleasant than ever.

Table tennis tables are set up, and a new "snack bar", backed by an electric refrigerator which keeps sandwich materials fresh, is ready to serve the soldiers.

The club is conducting Friday night classes in English in the Quiet Room. Saturday night a regular dance is put on, with Leadville USO. Ettes present for dancing partners.

Sunday Co. E of the 86th is going to play the Leadville baseball team. The game will be played on the club grounds.

Knudsen Gets Furlough To Attend Graduation

Pvt. Albert Knudsen, Co. D, 99th Infantry, recently asked his company commander for a furlough. His reason—he wanted to attend graduating exercises of his high school class at Maywood, N. J., and receive his diploma.

It seems that when Pvt. Knudsen came into the Army last March 2, he had been advised by his high school superintendent that a senior student who was up in his grades could join the armed forces and still graduate with his class.

Pvt. Knudsen got his furlough and is now back in Maywood in his uniform, getting his diploma.

Soldier, be careful where you build your fires in the woods; and be sure they're out before you leave. A little carelessness may mean a big waste in lumber and manpower.

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Guest House Station Wagon Now In Use

Transportation, by means of a station wagon, is now available to guests from the railroad station to the Guest House. Request for this transportation should be made at the Guest House when reservations for quarters for relatives are being made by soldiers.

WAAC Motor Corps Here

To Drive Light Cars and Trucks

Twenty-seven Motor Corps WAAC auxiliaries arrived in Camp Hale Wednesday from Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to join the detachment already here. All have completed four weeks basic training and six weeks Motor Transport Specialist Schooling.

They will be stationed for duty at the transport office, driving staff cars and light trucks; and they will service their own vehicles. There will be two clerks and one dispatcher.

In charge of the incoming group was T/3 Betty Vandergrift, who hails from Detroit, Michigan. In civilian life she was a photographic laboratory worker and short run printer.

The WAACs now have four 3rd officers in the detachment. The more recent arrivals, 3rd Officers Polly Basaraba and Evelyn G. Hansell, came to Camp Hale June 8.

Third Officer Hansell is assigned as Mess and Supply Officer. Her home is in Narberth, Penn., but she worked as secretary to the principal of Lower Merion Junior High school at Ardmore, Penn., before joining the WAAC. She had her basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia in March and April, attended Officer Candidate School in April and May, and received her commission May 31, 1943.

Third Officer Basaraba is from Portland, Oregon. She worked as bookkeeper at a Navy Supply Depot before joining the WAAC. She had her basic training in Des Moines and attended eight weeks of Administrative School. She was transferred to Sam Houston, Texas, with the 30th WAAC Headquarters Company, and there was chief clerk in the office.

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Dormitories, Apartment Units For Civilian Employes To Be Completed Within 90 Days

'Timberline GI Wolves' Get 'Pin-Ups' For Free

The Public Relations Office is in receipt of a communication from Station KLZ, Denver, which may be of interest to "GI wolves of the 'above the timberline variety'", as they were aptly called by Miss Terry Rowan, secretary to Roger Rambeaux, program promotion manager for KLZ.

With the letter from Miss Rowan were dozens and dozens of photographs of lovely ladies from the movies and from radio—excellent pin-ups!

If any of you "timberline wolves" would like them, they are yours for the coming and getting. The place—Public Relations Office, Camp Headquarters. The line forms on the right!

Road Grading Is Under Way

Work on Drill Areas Included

Workmen on the graders, bulldozers, and draglines which have been pushing dirt around on Post roads, barracks areas, drill fields and drainage ditches, are rapidly carrying through the work of grading and draining for which there was no time last fall after the Camp was completed.

The job calls for sloping off the yards and making them uniform, and for filling hollows in drill fields and roads. Besides beautifying the Camp, the program will eliminate the water pools and mud holes which were present after last spring's storms.

In addition, the contract is in progress now for blacktopping all Post roads. The gravel which is now piled along the edges of the roads is the base material for the job. Some roads, which carry the heavy traffic, are to be covered more heavily than the side roads.

Pando, Hospital Are Building Sites

Construction has begun on dormitories and some 344 apartment units to house Camp Hale's civilian workers, and present plans call for the completion of the project in about 90 days, says Capt. Floyd Stayner, Post Engineer. Two hundred four of the apartment units and dormitory facilities for 240 people are to be constructed in the Pando area; and forty apartment units and dormitories to house 120 people are to be built in the Station Hospital area. Recreational facilities are to be set up in both places.

The job in the Pando area, Captain Stayner said, will be largely one of converting buildings already there which were used while the Camp was under construction. New floors will be laid, the outside walls will be shingled, and private toilet facilities will be installed for each apartment.

The hospital project will be a new job, with probably the same type of buildings as the Camp buildings. The apartments and dormitories there will house the hospital personnel, the Ordnance Service personnel, Post Exchange workers, Special Service workers and others of the camp. It is expected that the location of quarters nearer offices will relieve a part of the burden on Camp transportation.

Johnson-Leck Construction Company of Minneapolis, builders of many of Camp Hale's warehouses, will handle the construction work. After the buildings are up, the grounds will be landscaped and seeded and parking spaces will be provided.

NOTICE TO ALL OFFICERS!

The formal dances, which originally was scheduled to be held Saturday night, June 26, has been postponed until Sunday night, June 27.

Don't wait until you're shipped to get your GI insurance. Take out \$10,000 worth now!

SHRINE REVUE MONDAY AT THEATER NO. 1

Denver's famous El Jemel Hillbilly Band and Revue, featuring Joe Mann and his orchestra; Barbara Shelby, accordionist; Mademoiselle Lorraine, acrobatic dancer; and the MacGregor Girls will entertain Camp Hale soldiers at Theater No. 1, Monday evening, June 28, at 7:30 p. m. and 9:15 p. m. The band includes a bass viol, jug, banjo, washboard traps, violin, washtub bass, bass horn, mouth harp, tenor soloist, bones, guitar, mandolin, accordion. Though a non-professional band, it is considered tops in rendering hillbilly music, and has done a great deal in putting Denver Band sales over the top.



Some of the members of the famous El Jemel Hillbilly band are shown above. (L to R) Howard H. Hembrey, banjo; David R. Thomas, bass horn; Jay Fleming, Jr., washboard traps; Fred W. Sittlerman, washtub bass; Donald O. Schreck, violin; Joe Mann, director and accordionist, and Eugene Kaiser, mouth harp.



Attractive Barbara Shelby, accordionist, featured by the El Jemel Hillbillies.