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FIRST-RATE HITS CONCERT TONITE - ALSO TUES.

ENTERTAINMENT WON'T BE LACKING AROUND CAMP FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS. TWO TOP FLIGHT SHOWS ARE BOOKED FOR THE REC HALL WITHIN FOUR DAYS OF EACH OTHER WITH THE WINNIPEG "TRUMPET CALL REVIEW" TAKING THE STAGE TONIGHT (SATURDAY) AND R.C.A.F.'S OWN "SWING TIME" BACK FOR A UNANIMOUS ENCORE THIS COMING TUESDAY.

The Trumpet Call Review is rated as one of the better concert parties on the regular Winnipeg circuit. With a cast of 14 ladies and 11 men, they pack a swell show into their time before the footlights, one that you'll go for. We need not dwell on the Swing Timers, you know about them, have seen their talent and all bets are that you'll be there again on Tuesday to see their return show.

The concert tonight is for 1930 hours, you're invited to bring your wife or girl friend so join in the fun.

ALL THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BASEBALL ARE ASKED TO TURN OUT TO THE NEW HARBALL DIAMOND EAST OF THE SPUR TRACK FOR A PRACTICE ON MONDAY NIGHT AT 6:30.

WITH THE BALL SEASON ON ITS WAY, THE STATION WILL BE ON THE PROWL FOR PLAYERS FOR THE STATION TEAM ROSTER.



RCAP'S OWN SHOW
"SWING TIME"
IT'S COMING BACK !!

IT'S NEW / DIFFERENT

THE SAME TOP NOTCH PERFORMERS WITH NEW LAUGHS - NEW MUSIC

ONE NITE ONLY

FREE Recreation Hall
Tues. MAY 16th 800

FOR NATION-WIDE BROADCAST

FLASH

KENNY COMING

MART KENNY AND HIS WESTERN GENTLEMEN, REPUTED AS CANADA'S TOP BAND, ARE BOOKED TO APPEAR AT OUR STATION ON MONDAY JUNE 26th FOR THEIR NATION-WIDE COCA COLA VICTORY PARADE BROADCAST. THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME THIS WEEK.

Final arrangements have not yet been completed for the broadcast but as far as is presently known, the popular radio programme will go out over the waves on that date from No. 17.

It will be a big event for our school and SCRAMBLE will keep you informed of any changes or any developments re the broadcast.

LOAN TOPS
\$100,000 MARK

TABULATIONS OF THE LATEST RETURNS IN OUR UNITS DRIVE IN THE SIXTH VICTORY LOAN REVEALED TODAY THAT THE LOAN HAS EXCEEDED THE \$100,000 MARK. THE TOTAL AT PRESS TIME WAS LISTED AT \$100,400, 133.8% of the station objective.

Training wing total is \$63,150, Maintenance \$20,200 and Headquarters \$17,050. It is still hoped that more subscriptions will come in, as quite a high percentage of personnel have not been purchasers.

MORE ON THE MORONS

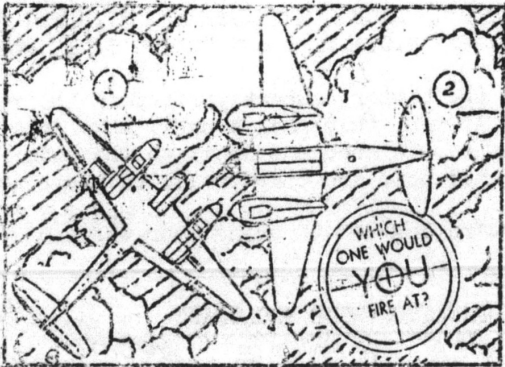
Surely you heard about the little moron who ran around the top of a corn flakes box because it said "Tear around here."

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FIRE AT NO. 1 - It's the German Messerschmitt Me.210, a low-wing, twin engine fighter bomber. Both edges of the wings taper to rounded tips. There is a gun blister on each side of the fuselage. The tapered tailplane has rounded tips and a single fin and rudder. A new version of this plane, the Me.410, has a similar silhouette.

NOT AT NO. 2 - It's the British Mosquito, a twin engine, low-wing bomber. The main taper of the wing is on the trailing edge. The line of its leading edge is broken at the centre panel by projecting radiators. The engine nacelles extend beyond the wing's trailing edge. The tailplane is tapered and has a single fin and rudder.

We heard a story about building up to an awful letdown. It was Hochtanz at action again.

See that Hy Reisler has a new jitter partner, who is he?

F/S Woodruff's special:
Airman: "There's a fly in my ice cream sir."
O.O.: "Let him fraeze and teach him a lesson"
The little rascal was in the soup yesterday.

From London comes a new definition of a gentleman -- a patient wolf.

HILL: "If you kitchen small?"
HARROP: "Small. Why it's so d--- small, we have to use condensed milk!"

Better late than never, we always say...

IT'S MUSE TO MY EARS.....

ODE TO THE WET CANTEEN

If I had a lucky Lager,
Mine would be the right to stagger,
And in Bliss I'd walk the street
To show just how I keep my feet,
But as it is my throat is dry
I shout to every passer by
And friend who comes my way,
"I'm thirsty!"

When I look through magazines
And gaze on all the striking scenes
Of glasses standing in a row
With foam on top and beer below,
I'm tempted as I shouldn't be
To drool thereon in misery
And shout to all I see,
"I'm thirsty!"

It's not the cash I'm waiting for
I'm waiting to get in that door,
It's locked, you see, 'till 5 p.m.
And I'll do well to get in then,
For dusty as my throat may be
There's forty guys ahead of me,
And all of them will say,
"I'm thirsty!"

OPEN HOUSE BIG AFFAIR

A thrilling display by eleven paratroopers from Camp Shile's training centre, highlighted the gala open house last Thursday at our station. Complete with battle manoeuvres, the sky raddars made a spectacular display of make believe warfare.

Despite the cold wind, over 1500 civilian visitors attended the open house in conjunction with the Wings parade and victory loan drive. Publicity spots over Brandon and Winnipeg radio stations announced the big day and 10,000 handbills were dropped over the surrounding district by aircraft.

STATION DANCE IS TOPS AS HUGE CROWD ATTEND

The station dance "May Time" held in the Sportcade last Thursday night was crowned a real success, one of the best held on the station to date. A large crowd attended, official count showed 405 paid admissions, and Maintenance wing are to be congratulated for their swell efforts.

You haven't forgotten that this coming Sunday is "Mothers' Day", have you? Hope you haven't fellows, the card or the little gift is a thought well done.

The boys of Course 104 have a bone to pick with Cpl. Teece, and no kidding. Teece is evidently a master at the "cover up" but he didn't do so well this time. Think he'll get out of this one fellows?

THOSE DAUGHTERS!
SHE WAS ONLY A PRINTER'S DAUGHTER BUT I
SURE LIKED HER TYPE.....

WOLF IN PARACHUTES



QUIET PLIZ!

A little bit of mite with a parachute full of punch, so we find, and that's Cpl. Eddie Davies of our parachute section. The wolf dropped in this week from up above.

And have we had a time keeping up to him, or have we! But we won't go into the matter too deeply. Anyway Eddie shore likes the dances and we've taken in about a half dozen lately just keeping the corner of the eye on him. The station dance last Thursday why he had a wonderful time. And the dance in town on Saturday -- wowie! Monday night we gave up the ghost, came back and put the big "X" on the wall as nomination of the Davies corporal for this week.

Speaking of dances and Senior-NGO's and stuff, we've got a line-up a mile long here. Did you see WO's Martin, Sawatsky, Alcorn, Bowen and F/S's Briggs, Riley and Norton all right in there pitching? Martin thinks the W.D.'s are a bit of alright, especially the two hookers. Sawatsky was on the move a bit, but mostly keeping out of the way of one certain girl from Brandon. And they say that Briggs was doing OK for an amateur. Meanwhile Bowen had sister trouble, and this kid sister stuff just doesn't click with him we're told.

GADDING ABOUT: AC's Book and Eckert, the solid boy friends who go really steady, were seen with a couple of fair damsels in town last Saturday night.....Cpl. Ed Turgeon had his package of "Makings" at the dance with him. No thanks, Ed, I usually manage to at least bum a tailor made.....Saw S/L Bawlf studying the growth on the greens between the runways on Wednesday morning, with some remark about we're in for a good crop this season.....J.A. Brown of the Equip believes in extra messing on CHICKEN but the boys of BB 10 Room 3 think it was a rooster that woke them in the early hours of the morning.....See Cpl. Andy Fox back in quarters again and he told his wife it was to keep the wolves away.....We're losing Cpl. Ken Grabham to the far West this week, another swell guy gets a break. Ken has managed to say goodbye to the gang several times already, if you know what we mean. Any way, Grab, all the best.....

Two newies come forth from Equip in the persons of Herbert and Ingham, and their jaunt took them out Hartney way. Herb is becoming quite an authority on sightseeing, and from what we get, he was sure showing Jack the Hartney sights.....The Deloraine bus becomes more popular every week and there just must be something down thata way. Those can-

AXIS BEHEADED IN SIXTH LOAN CEREMONY

When the unit quota in the Sixth Victory Loan hit over the \$85,000 mark last week, an impressive ceremony at the guillotine marker saw the war tyrants beheaded. G/C Brown spoke a few well chosen words and P/O Gore, station chairman of the loan drive, released the blade that did the trick on the Hitler and Togo dummies.

Response to the Sixth loan at our Unit has been excellent.

Swing Time Is Back

When the travelling show "Swing Time" left our station after two swell shows last March, we said something to the effect that we were looking forward to the time when they could come back again. Well, they're coming. And we don't have to tell you that this eight man show is really tops.

The Swing Timers will arrive on our camp this coming Tuesday for a one night show on that night in the Recreation Hall. With the exception of Gren Hobson and his string base, the cast is intact. These RCAF entertainers have a lot of new numbers added for this new curtain call along with the best of their last performance so you won't want to miss it.

The lights are due to dim out at 2000 hours. We'll see you there.

CORPORAL'S "LEAP YEAR PARTY" BOOKED FOR BLUEROOM NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT



The long awaited sequel to the last successful Corporal's dance is at last here. This coming Wednesday night in the Blueroom, the two hookers will have their "Leap Year Party" and everything is in good shape for a swell time. Hostesses from Brandon and Souris will be coming out for the occasion, a lunch fitting to the summer weather is to be served and lots of other supprises are in store.

Tickets will be sold on Monday's pay parade and all corporals are asked to dig down in the pocket and bring forth the funds to put this dance in the top brackets. The support of every corporal on the station is needed, so get behind your committee fellows.

ght with their tickets down by the roaming reporter this part week were Borhowski, Con Strigar, Norm Peskett, Hy Hazen and Bud Duchsham.....Our favorite flowers are roses

.....Sammy brief of the accounts.....why the bus rise to Brandon on Sundays and add the truck. The truck was miss their fun.....Ted Penn seems to enjoy the quiet weekends in the country. There's one certain farm somewhere about h'yar that Ted really takes too. Is it the farm life or the milk maid.....P/O Fleming agrees that Deloraine is a good place to be sick. they have such a nice hospital there.

TWO SIDES TO EVERYTHING

STATION RIDING CLUB

The idea to have a station Saddle Club went before the station Sports and Entertainment committee last week and it's adoption looks like a good thing. However, SCRAMBLE has heard a few disonting words here and there and we'd like to give you the complete lineup on the undertaking so you'll know just what's cooking.

Saddle horses available to station personnel has proven a winner at other units hereabouts. It has given much pleasure and recreation, as well as outdoor exercise (ouch) to the many horsemen and to the numberless novices who have found this a new and delightful pastime. And at one third to one half the usual rental rates.

The riding club committee have found really ideal spots in this sector for riding, believe it or not, as there are numerous coulees by the river on this side of the town that they claim were made for riding. There are gentle slopes, open woods for jaunts in the shade and always the river where you can tether your mount while you take a dip.

What about raising the green lettuce for a Saddle Club? A fair question. The sum of \$611.00 will pay for six horses, six English riding saddles and bridles, build a stable, fence a corral and provide sundry equipment. There will be no other outlay. Eighty one dollars per month will pay the wages of a stableman, and buy feed and sundries.

Here's a look at the revenue. A horse can be ridden six hours a day. At 50¢ per hour, a horse earns \$3 a day and six of them \$18. The maximum take would then be \$540 per month. There is most certainly to be a waiting list for the horses.

The club would be located adjacent to the skating rink site, very central to all. There would be an exit there, and riding directly west from there you would reach the coulees in 10 minutes. The trail will be blazed with signs to guide you.

That's the proposition and any written suggestions will be gratefully received by the Saddle club committee c/o SCRAMBLE.

Food for thought.



ACCOUNTS TURN BACK SOURIS GIRLS IN CHALLENGE BOWLING

The accounts pin-up boys did it again in a twin billed bowling match against the feminine Souris trundlers in Pat's on Thursday night. The games were close and the pace furious (someone made two strikes in a row!) as the girls tried for sweet revenge from the last meet. They won a single of the six games. S/L Esson was crestfallen when the girls whipped his team in the final game, and with two or three more frames he might have made it. Can't blame him for trying though.

INTERESTED IN LAWNBOWLING THIS SUMMER?

Any of the station gang wishing to get in some lawnbowling this season are invited to join in with the Souris club. For gen on same, contact Mr. Ramebottom or Dr. Webb in Souris or ask at the YMCA.

Complete archery equipment is now held in Sport Stores for those that want to make use of it. William Tell did it, why can't you? We've already dulled all the arrow heads so there'll be no SCRAMBLE reporters found cold in the waysides.

BASEBALL DIAMOND WHIPPING INTO SHAPE

A new baseball diamond is being built next to the soccer field on the east station bounds. It is already taking good shape.

MALE CALL

by Milton Caniff

MEN SOMETIMES GO NUTS IN THE ARMY



STATION GOLF CLUB LOOKS FOR BIG SEASON

PRIZES FOR BOWLERS

Prizes for the last bowling league were handed out this week and for quite a number of the bowlers the gash looks a bit of O.K. A total of \$84 was paid out in prize money, with the allotment as follows:

Each member of the F/L Howe team, champions, received \$5 if they had completed the minimum of four nights of competition.

Members of Cpl. Wlosek's gang, runners up in the finals received \$3 per man.

For high average in league play, Cpl. R.E. Smith picked off \$5 and he also lined another fimm for the best high three. Smith's average was 221, his triple 789. F/S Jerry Hohtanz received \$5 for his high single of 326. Bowlers with 300 scores received \$1 for their efforts (Wlosek, Johnstone) and for over 700 the same amount was paid out (Hohtanz, Riess, Pugsley, Johnstone, Anaka)

THE FIRE HALL GANG GET AROUND. IT'S COAST TO COAST NEWS WHEN WE GET SOMETHING ON THEM: Tappen, BC - Mountaineers and more mountaineers. Three in the morn and all those taxi fares...just what keeps you so long Johnnie? Moose Jaw - What makes you so tired after those 48's Lyle; it's bad when it takes the next two weeks to recuperate. Winnipeg-LAC Hammond seems to be having his worries these days, the expecting father type, you know. We'd say a little less worry and a little more concentration Hammie, but maybe you were concentrating, eh?...Let's ask Strick about it, he seems to be sprouting a couple of gray hairs too....Meanwhile Nee and his Irish continue with redheads...

BITS OF STUFF

F/S McFadden, the morning after the station dance remarked "I don't recognize your face but your breath is familiar."..... Who was that auburn haired girl who was so popular at the dance? Nice of her boy friend to sit out.....Wonder why those two flite. Looks didn't help the lady up the fire ladder on Wings parade?

F/S Billet is one of the most subtle wolves of No. 17. He sure covers a lot of territory, Deloraine to Winnipeg....Meanwhile Sgt. Geo Drummond is leaving the howlers, because he now has ideas...mainly saving money. Hear that Sgt. Cliff Venus got one of the shortest letters on record. All it said was "NO" and at that it was sent collect. Give us a bit of dope on that, eh Cliff.....

"Gee, it's cold today, my fingers are numb and I just can't roll a cigarette." Now who does that sound like? Might come from up Equipment way...

THE STATION GOLF CLUB IS RIGHT IN THERE PITCHING ALREADY, AND NOW THAT GOOD GOLF WEATHER KEEPS PEEKING AROUND THE SUN GENERAL ENTHUSIASM ON THE CAMP IS REACHING A HIGH PITCH.

The Souris Country Club is in fine shape and already the early birds have been out digging and putting about. Busy with the organization, the station Golf committee is looking forward to what should be a highly successful season. A convenient receptacle in the club house has been placed for you to drop completed score cards so that handicaps can be worked out for the members. Fees this season will be the same as last, that being five dollars.

Local tournaments as well as those with other stations are being contemplated and handicaps will be published in SCRAMBLE from week to week along with the thumbnail sketches of the golfing picture. The official opening day for the station club is Sunday May 14th and a good turnout is expected. The club swingers of the camp are urged to turn out.

Golf ball situation is almost at par with last year although there is no indication of any further shortage. Golfers are asked to turn in all old balls at once to S/L Essen so that they can be turned in and reconditioned balls obtained for sale through the canteen.

It's "FORE" for another few months.

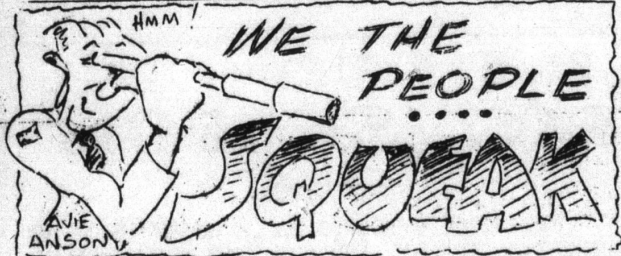
NEWS AROUND THE CAMP IN BRIEF

- X Wings ceremony and dance last week highly successful. Paratroopers display tops.
- X Riding club for station coming up.
- X Mart Kenny and Coca Cola Victory parade broadcast booked for June 26th.
- X Warm weather brings out the sunbathers.
- X Corporal's Leap Year party slated for Blue-room next Wednesday night.
- X F/L Jack Toft, paymaster, returns to work after "wonderful honeymoon."
- X Water shortage still with us. Some days a fellow doesn't know where his next shower is coming from.
- X Summer sports taking good start. Softball, baseball, soccer taking highlight.
- X Wheel-up fooler draws good crowd.
- X Victory Loan hits over \$100,000 mark.
- X Concert party in Rec Hall tonight. Swing time playing on Tuesday night.
- X Hobbycraft club making good progress. New room in No. 7 hangar leanto.
- X Rifle club adopts new handicap system.
- X Station gets taste of more Souris dust.

There are two corporals in the Fire Hall that think they're camouflage experts. One dyes his moustache and the other the seat of his pants.

Who is the orderly officer who peeks around the door and says - "Shoot..you're covered."...?

HAVE YOU SENT A SCRAMBLE HOME LATELY?



HEAR YE - HEAR YE! WE HAVE NOW ENTERED THAT CERTAIN TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN GARDENING IS THE VOGUE,....WELL, GARDENING MEANS PUTTERING AROUND IN THE DIRT AND AS YE COLUMBIST IS PRETTY ADAPT AT THAT SORT OF THING, I'm going to start things off right here in this column, be it what it may..... Boy, that Wings Parade was certainly a grand affair even though the weather did try to make things a little difficult for many visitors.As for the paratroopers and the wanderfull spectacle that they put on, despite the handicaps, was really something....I'm sure that a little bit of bad weather won't be stopping those fellas from taking a crack at the "glorified Paper Hanger" when the time comes.....There was many a wise remark heard as the plane went around and around, waiting for the wind to agree with their plans, among them was, "I'll bet they're afraid of us" and as the boys did some mighty realistic creeping up on their objective, "that guy better get his fanny down or there'll be a casualty"well, anyway, everyone had a grand time and I'm sure that the boys from Shilo made up for the rough time they had on their jump, at the dance that night....As for the afore-mentioned dance, it was one of the most successful one ever had at No. 17 and a great big gob of thanks to the maintenance gang who were incharge.....thanks fellas, it was swell.Lets take a little jaunt over to the S.P. barrack's and there we find that several of the boys getting some of that well-deserved rest, that they so much of, all at once, there floated in on the balmy air, through the open window, the sound of a dainty whistle....the whistle that usually denotes the presence of a member of the opposite sex.... anyway, trust the S.P. boys to recognize it for what it wasI understand that they are still nursing their wounds from the stampede that resulted toward the window, ..Oh, yes there was a girl, one of the M.T. drivers from No. 12 Brandon, in on Temporary Duty.... Incidentally, if this sort of thing is going to keep on, the boys from barrack block 9 will have to resist from taking sunbaths on the lawn immediately surrounding their premises....tough luck,fellas, but you know how it is.....Do I understand that the great Equipment Softball team is all primed to take on all comers? Well, if I know the rest of the station, it won't be long now until the equipment boys will be hearing from the rest of the sections.....Why is it that everytime I step into the canteen to partake in some juicy little tid-bits, I find all 5 or six of the staff there in the midst of either a hot topic of conversation, or a "knock on down, drag on out wrestling match" gosh,kids, all I want is one package of cigarettes - please - please- please fellas.

..... A thrilling moment was given a majority of the staff of No. 17 on Wednesday afternoon when one of the pilots ran into a little difficulty bringing in his "kite".. ...those d...! wheels just got stubborn ... well so did our pilot and the pilot won, much to the relief of the onlookers..... Say, that trade test time is hovering about us again, maybe we had all better get cracking on the studying....What's this rumor regarding the possible visit from Mart Henny and his gang to this station in JUNE!. ...Keep your fingers crossed because it has possibilities..... Well, if the clock on the wall doesn't point to a mighty late hour then I'm way off the beam....At any rate,I'm not taking any chances so I'm closing this ramble off right now, and am about to partake of some beauty sleep, that beauty sleep that evryone raves about. (I'll swear there just isn't that much sleep to be had by your correspondent) , but anyway, I can knit.

So- long kids.

Avie Anson

Overheard one of the girls of the station tell another - "You don't dare let him start anything, he always wants to finish it."

The following message was signaled to our Unit from the AOC when we hit over the top in the Victory Loan:
"Extend to all personnel congratulations on exceeding the sixth victory loan objective and my sincere appreciation for their loyal efforts."

The G.I.S. building have hit a 230% in their own subscriptions for the Sixth Victory Loan. Very well done, we'd say.

And why was Cpl. Al Gagnier so anxious to get down town last night?

Would seem that some opinions have it that LAC H.H. Perkins is a good runnerupper for the wolf of the week. Could be only rumors but then we wonder???? The married fellows especially have their doubts....

Cpl. Al Hewitt explained it to us this way - A bargain is a good buy. A good-bye is a farewell. A farewell is to part. To part is to leave. His girl left him without a goodbye. She was no bargain anyway.

Some of the fellows had their wonders about the broken windows.

