

Employs of S.P.R. Depot Hold Dance at Club

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The Greenville Country Club was the scene of a friendly get-together for approximately one hundred and fifty office employes of the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot construction project on Wednesday evening.

Dancing interested the group till a late hour when refreshments were served. Among the guests were representatives of the U. S. Engineers, Mellon-Stuart Co., contractors, and Gannett, Eastman and Fleming, architects, who were in charge of arrangements for the occasion.

SHENANGO JOB

HEADS BANQUET

Sept. 2 '42

Mellon - Stuart Foremen Hold Social Session Here Last Night.

Superintendents and foremen of the Mellon-Stuart Company, contractors for the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot, held a banquet last night at Schuster's Inn. Honored guests were Major W. C. Sale, commanding officer of the engineers in charge of this area; J. C. Krager, resident director; J. T. Croner, general superintendent; and D. E. Wiggins, assistant superintendent of labor. Several other guests from Mellon-Stuart were present.

The affair was under the direction of Anderson Barker, who was toastmaster and master of ceremonies. He called upon Mr. Croner, Mr. Krager, and Hugh Tate for brief talks, preceding the climax of the evening, a talk given by Major Sale.

A demonstration of home talent entertained those at the dinner, which ended with all participating in group singing, and the assurance that more of these gatherings will be held as work progresses.

SHENANGO CAMP GROUP HAS GET-TOGETHER DINNER HERE

Oct 23 '42

More than 100 persons from the big force engaged in constructing the Army's Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot at Victory Pa., just south of Greenville held a highly successful get-together dinner at Schuster's Cafe Wednesday evening.

The toastmaster was Anderson Barker, custodian of materials at the project and he was a past master at the head of the festive board.

Mr. Barker expressed his pleasure in being a cog in the wheel of the camp's activities. The guests were

seated at a big U-shaped table. Mr. Barker introduced O. A. Eichenlaub, assistant engineer representing the War Department. Maj. W. C. Sale, chief engineer of the area, was unable to attend.

Mr. Eichenlaub stated his pleasure in being present and told of the fine progress being made at the Center. He stated that it was in the No. 1 class of such projects in the East.

Other speakers were Chief Engineer Carpenter of the Gannett, Eastman & Fleming Engineering Company; Ivor Richards, chief of personnel.

Sub-contracting firms were well represented by heads of departments including Landau Bros., of the canteen service, D. E. Wiggins, general labor superintendent, known as "Wiggie" on the project, John Mays, "Chuck" Croner and others who made brief remarks.

The dinner was preceded by singing "God Bless America." There was an informal after-program which included a feature by Wilkins and Winfield, tap dancing by Charles Wilkins and son Tom, and by Wilkins Senior, who has a nationwide reputation in the art, having won the 1910 contest sponsored by Police Gazette in Madison Square Garden, New York City.

Group singing was the conclusion of the fine program which had been promoted by Edward Spezza, general corporation foreman, Frank Kelly, assistant superintendent; Ralph Eversole, junior engineer. The affair brought together men from many states, Canada and foreign lands who are engaged on the big project and who otherwise would have little opportunity of getting acquainted.

SOLDIERS COME TO CHRISTMAS PARTY

Men of Shenango Depot
Saturday Night Guests
at Sea Base.

**CHURCH GROUP
SPONSORS AFFAIR**

"Johnny Doughboy" came to a Christmas party in Greenville Saturday night, and met a welcome as old-fashioned and friendly as a greeting card. It was his first occasion to be a social guest of the town, and he shuffled his feet anxiously on the threshold, wondering if he was going to feel at home.

But the committee in charge had seen to that.

When Col. George H. Cherrington, of the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot asked if a Christmas party could be arranged for the sol-

diers at the camp, as was being done for servicemen in camps all over the country, he met a prompt and generous response from the Women's Guild of the Episcopal parish.

Under the leadership of Mrs. W. A. Boyce, chairman of the U. S. O. activities committee of St. Clement's Church, the Women's Guild volunteered to give up its annual Christmas party with its gift exchange in order that some 20 or 25 soldiers might feel a little less homesick this holiday season.

They prepared sandwiches and cookies, saw to it that there was an abundance of soft drinks, and they appointed the Misses Barbara Waser and Betty Frampton, senior hostesses, to select a comparable number of girls to make the party more gracious. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hinman, Rev. Paul L. Schwartz, Mrs. Birdell Schwartz, Mrs. L. Spalding

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Soldiers Come To Christmas Party

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and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boyce served as chaperones.

When the army truck lumbered up to the Sea Scout Base shortly after eight o'clock, soldiers found a holly wreath hospitably hanging at the entrance door and the snow swept from the walk right up to the "Welcome" on the mat.

Inside the base, it was a gay Christmas ship, with tall lighted Christmas trees competing cheerily with the ruddy fire. There were cigarettes for every soldier and a good partner for dancing or just downright listening.

No formal introductions were necessary as guests, hostesses, committee women and chaperones, wearing tags bearing their names, mingled with the uniformed men. One soldier, seeing the hostesses numbering slightly in the majority, grinned and commented on the treat.

For some there was fun in dancing to the recordings amplified by a sound system from the Mercer Square Theater. For others there was fun in conversation, collecting in groups about the Christmas tree, or sitting along the fringes of the dance floor in two-some discussions.

There were no commissioned officers in the group and many of the boys had come directly from the induction center at New Cumberland, having been in the Army barely long enough to get insignias of their branch of service. The technical sergeant from the medical corps whom the fellows call "Slim," as leader of the group, referred to the boys as a "swell bunch of fellows" and said that most of them would probably be stationed at Shenango for the duration.

What does a soldier talk about with his hostess? Mostly home; where he came from, what he had been doing when Uncle Sam blew the bugle, and how well he liked to receive mail from home. Occasionally one found a picture to display.

At 11 o'clock a buffet luncheon was served. Cookies disappeared miraculously and at least one sack of them was seen to jostle back to camp in the Army truck, held tightly in the clutches of a contented looking private. There was a general feeling of private accomplishment in the delayed retreat, one hour from the usual time of 10:30 p. m.

According to the sergeant in charge, all the boys have been invited out for Christmas dinner as guests in private homes.

OFFICERS DINE; HONOR THE 'C. O.'

— Dec 24/42 —
**Col. G. H. Cherrington
Honored at Pleasant
Occasion Last Evening.**

Col. George H. Cherrington, commanding officer U. S. Army's Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot, was tendered a dinner by the officers of his command at the Hotel Riverview, last night. Forty-seven officers of the command were present.

In addition to honoring the "C. O.," the dinner had another objective, to wit, to make the newer officers acquainted with Col. Cherrington and staff and with each other.

Major W. C. Sale, Area Engineer, was also a guest of honor, as was also B. L. Swank, bonifac of the Riverview, yesterday being the 20th anniversary of his proprietorship of the hotel.

Lieut.-Colonel James J. Woods presided at the dinner and called on Major Sale and Mr. Swank both of whom spoke briefly. After the brief speaking program a gift was presented to each and every one present. Though each gift was designedly inexpensive it was chosen as appropos to the duties of the recipient's position. The distribution was an enlivening feature of the pleasant evening.

The dinner and the table decorations were the subject of much favorable comment and a fine appearance and an unusual one, making local history, the first gathering in Greenville at which all the guests were in U. S. Army uniform—all except Landlord Swank who was, of course, in mufti.

Mellon-Stuart Party *May 1* **Held at Country Club** *43*

Despite the fact that no food was available for a dinner party or for refreshments, due to rationing, members of the office personnel of the Mellon-Stewart Company enjoyed a delightfully informal evening at the Greenville Country Club on Wednesday of this week.

A large group of employes from Greenville, Sharon and surrounding communities danced to the music of a popular orchestra and enjoyed a friendly, social time.

INITIAL DANCE SATISFACTORY

Twelfth Battalion Af- fair Is Well Receiv- ed.

June 4 '43

A capacity crowd attended the initial 12th Battalion Dance held at Service Club No. 2, under the auspices of Staff Sergeants Gordon T. Robinson and David L. Hyland and Corporals George D. Lanier and Wallace C. Yeomans.

Approximately 175 hostesses from the U. S. O. Club in Sharon were headed by Miss Cathleen Connair. Hostesses in charge of the Service Club, Mrs. Dornelle McCutchen, senior hostess and Miss Mildred Kelly, junior hostess, were handed bouquets of flowers by the Master of Ceremonies Corporal Thomas R. Covey.

Captain William W. Hague, 12th Battalion Commander and 1st Lieutenant John F. Nutt acted as guest speakers for the evening. Music was furnished by Corporal Herbert Mazer and his orchestra.

Privates First Class Robert H. Kelly and Gene M. Larson assisted Private Wappler with the hall decorations. The successful event will be sponsored about once every five weeks for each respective battalion.

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BUSINESS MEN

PLAN BANQUET

June 29 '43

Officers at Shenango Depot to Be Feted Here Tuesday.

Executives of the U. S. Army associated with the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot will be honored by the Greenville Business Men's Association with a banquet on Tuesday, June 29, at the Greenville Country Club.

Orris R. Williams, president of the business men's organization, disclosed today that the 7 p. m. dinner party is to be preceded by an afternoon of golf for guests who care to participate.

General arrangements are in charge of a committee comprised of Dale M. Douds, chairman; Harold D. Whieldon and W. H. Egbert.

The entertainment committee consists of B. B. Gibson, chairman; George Peterson, J. P. Dart, J. K. Lee, Richard D. Keck and Orris R. Williams.

Army Guests Are Feted at Dinner

January 43
Greenville Business Men's Association Host to Large Group Here.

VISITORS GIVEN BOROUGH WELCOME

Marking a year since the establishment of the beginning of the construction of the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot, the Greenville Business Men's Association last night was host to between 40 and 50 officers of the camp at a dinner in the Greenville Country Clubhouse.

The occasion, as described by the toastmaster, was simply a good-will gathering, informal and designed to give citizens of the community an opportunity to become better acquainted with the military men who had become neighbors in recent months. This aim was thoroughly achieved, and the guests gave voluble expression of their pleasure at the conclusion of the evening.

President Orris Williams, of the association, welcomed the military guests and expressed the good wishes of the community toward them at the conclusion of the dinner, which had been interspersed with group singing into which the assemblage entered with a will.

The master of ceremonies, John L. Morrison, combined humorous anecdote with a welcome which paid a high tribute to the military personnel with whom Greenville had come in contact since the establishment of the camp here. He described the assimilation which the community had accomplished, and said that none of the dire predictions of some less-optimistic persons in other communities had come true. On the contrary, he said that it would be hard to find a cross-

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section of any kind of humanity in the country which, under similar circumstances, would have conducted itself so well as the construction force, and the Army personnel which followed it. He made it clear that the community was very much in earnest in its efforts to make the stay of its distinguished guests a pleasant one, and that Greenville people had been enriched by the associations which had resulted from all-to-brief visits of Army men here.

He then introduced the guests, the first of which was Col. George J. Englethaler, who was the spokesman for Col. Zim E. Lawhon, commanding officer, and Col. Russell C. Snyder, executive officer, who were prevented from attending by urgent Army business.

Col. Englethaler, who had made up his mind upon arrival here about three weeks ago, to make Greenville his home during his stay, was gracious and complimentary in his remarks concerning the community and last night's occasion. He said he had been informed by fellow-officers of the spirit of co-operation found here before his arrival, and he expressed the earnest good-will of the Army personnel.

Next introduced was Col. James P. Hulley, a native Pennsylvanian, from Philadelphia, who spoke briefly and said that he had developed the same good impression in 15 days which the president of the association said he had achieved in 15 years of living here.

Then followed the introduction of the entire Army personnel present, concluding with the first representatives to arrive here, Lieut. Col. W. C. Sale, area engineer of the project. The colonel, who arrived here as a major a year and three days ago, said he could assure his fellow officers that the good impressions they were receiving would not diminish as time went on. He paid a fine tribute to the co-operation and helpfulness he had found in the community since his arrival, and credited this in large measure for the progress made in completing the camp installation.

The arrangements committee for last evening's event was D. M. Douds, chairman, Harold Whieldon and W. H. Egbert. The entertainment committee was Baird Gibson, chairman, J. P. Dart, Richard D. Keck, James K. Lee and George Peterson. Group singing was led by Hawley C. Calvin.

A short program was given which included two solos by Olga Metrovich, "Yours" and "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes". She was accompanied by Miss Marion Gerberich. The Greenville adagio team, of Miss Barbara McCright and Virgil Houck, gave a pleasing number, with Mrs. Florence McGill at the piano. Mrs. McGill then offered an accordion solo and vocal medley with accordion accompaniment which were very well received.

Earlier, Lieut. James A. Welsh, an accomplished tenor soloist, contributed a pleasant surprise to the program by singing "When Irish Eyes are Smiling", in answer to a demand by fellow officers.

The guest list included in addition to Col. Englethaler and Col. Hulley, the following:

Lt. Col. James R. Manning
Lt. Col. George E. Paskopoulos
Lt. Col. Harry E. Flook
Major Beattie
Major Arthur R. Brown
Major Thomas Dunn
Major William E. Quinn
Major George S. Rice
Major Carl S. Brandner—Rotary
Major Arthur S. Houchin
Major Arthur Cable
Major Herbert O. Robertson
Chaplain Orin Swank
Captain Charles Cake
Captain Ian L. Reid
Captain Charles F. Betyeman, Jr.
Captain James T. Bailey
Captain Dorf
Captain V. L. Bohden
Captain Edward B. Goshorn
Captain Charles Ryther
1st Lt. Clyde W. Walker
1st Lt. Michael J. Sgarro
1st Lt. Fabius Hatfield
1st Lt. Pierce L. Shupp
1st Lt. James Kelley
2nd Lt. Marion V. Rhoades
2nd Lt. Howard C. Hansen
2nd Lt. George Kauffman
2nd Lt. Samuel J. Prenskey
2nd Lt. John R. Bailey
2nd Lt. Murray F. Strickland
2nd Lt. Robert B. Edwards
2nd Lt. John Welty
2nd Lt. James A. Welsh
2nd Lt. James H. Norton
2nd Lt. Emily E. Barber
2nd Lt. James P. Bradley
2nd Lt. Carl F. Becker
2nd Lt. Charles Rifkin
2nd Lt. Norton C. Ludwig
2nd Lt. George J. Baker
2nd Lt. Anthony J. Kurseveitis
2nd Lt. Louis DeFarkas
2nd Lt. Edward J. Miller
2nd Lt. Robert Lindsay
2nd Lt. James Walker

Formal Dance Held For Officers and Nurses

The first formal dance to be held for the officers and nurses at the recreation hall at the hospital at Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot was held Wednesday evening and was largely attended.

An enjoyable floor show took place at intermission and included selections by Pvt. Robert Lenhardt, accordionist; Cpl. William Cooper, tenor; Pvt. William Ross, vocalist; Pvt. Charles Eyth, violinist, formerly concert master with the Baltimore Symphony orchestra. The master of ceremonies was Cpl. Charles W. Coggins, a noted tap dancer, who entertained with several numbers.

The door prize was awarded Mrs. Howard Fielder, wife of Major Fielder. Among the guests were Col. Emory Alling and his daughters.

A similar function is being planned for the near future.

Mellon-Stuart Force Dine at Homer Cottage

Just about a year ago, July, 1942, great things were in the making at the Shenango Personnel Replacement Depot, just four miles south of Greenville, on the Greenville-Sharon road. The Mellon-Stuart Company, of Pittsburgh, were the general contractors in the construction of the depot. The order was a rush one, and in order to push it through, a vast army of employees, both men and women, were gathered together from all parts of the country. In fact, when things were at the peak, some 4,680 employees were on the payroll.

At the present time, with the contract all but completed, there are approximately 80 employees of the Mellon-Stuart Company left.

During the months of labor, many most pleasant social events were enjoyed by the workers, but, while some of them were attended by many more employees, none of them eclipsed the last get-together session of the few remaining workers than the affair of Thursday evening, when the active warehouse employees held a picnic dinner at the summer cottage of Acting Burgess and Mrs. Clarence (Dewey) Homer, on the Henderson farm, Hadley road.

The menu included delicious fried chicken, and the two large dining tables were spread under the trees of Little Shenango Creek, the hosts opening up their cottage and giving the party all of their very efficient facilities for such an affair.

Anderson Barker, superintendent of materials and supplies, was the principal guest of the evening, for this was his immediate "family", and never was he in finer fettle. It was regrettable that Mrs. Barker could not be present, but she had been called to Pittsburgh and was unable to attend.

Those present were: Anderson Barker, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Lysle Henry, New Castle; Mr. and Mrs. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Sharon; Clare Withrow, Pittsburgh; Miss Josephine Pangelo, Franklin; Alex. Elliott, Johnstown; "Red" Wolley, New Castle; George Clovis, Buchanan, W. Va.; Miss Rose Carine, Miss Irene Horner, Miss Julia Cristoff, Farrell; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kane, Robert Croll, Miss Katherine Croll, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cutler, Furman Anderson, Miss Doris Reichard, Acting Burgess and Mrs. Clarence Homer, Greenville; Joe Tweddle, Pittsburgh, and Miss Faye Randolph, Oil City.

Name Omitted from Employes Party List

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The Record-Argus reader who furnished us with the story of the Melton-Stuart warehouse employes picnic, held Thursday evening in the summer cottage of Acting Burgess C. V. Homer, advises this morning that the name of Miss Clara Heil,

R. D., Greenville, was inadvertently omitted from the list of employes present.

Miss Heil has been with the Melton-Stuart Company from the first day of its appearance at the temporary offices at Transfer and has held a responsible position with the company ever since.

Postpone Gay Nineties Party, Camp Shenango

Special Services branch at Camp Shenango announces the postponement of the Gay Nineties party, scheduled to take place tomorrow evening at Recreation Hall No. 2. The local USO staff was informed of the change in plans this morning, following the shipment of many of the soldiers who were in charge of the novel arrangements for the party.

Greenville junior hostesses had been invited to the costume affair.

CAMP TO HAVE GAY SEASON

Dec 3, 43

Soldiers to Dance, Have Musical Show and Christmas Eve Parties.

Formal dances, special holiday parties and a musical show—all topped off by a visit from St. Nick—are in store for the soldiers at Camp Reynolds, during the Christmas season.

Colorful decorations in the Service Clubs and Chapels will add to the spirit of the holiday week. A spectacular ten-foot Santa Claus, made of old bushel baskets, newspapers and crepe paper, dominates the decorations in Service Club One, while two Christmas trees will be on display to make a flesh-and-blood Santa Claus feel at home when he visits Service Club Two during a Christmas Eve party.

The USO Camp Show "Who Goes There?"—a musical review—will give two performances next Thursday night for those who prefer the footlight style of entertainment.

The week before Christmas will be filled with a round of parties, dances, and other special features which will be climaxed by formal dances in Service Clubs One and Two next Thursday. Both clubs will have informal Christmas Eve parties. A pre-Christmas party for the men of the Fourth Battalion is scheduled for Wednesday evening.

The Camp Reynolds Christmas Carol Group, which has appeared in several neighboring communities, will present programs in the Service Clubs, Chapels, and hospital Red Cross Recreation Room.

The old-fashioned custom of outdoor carolling will have its modern counter-part outside Service Club Two where loudspeakers will broadcast carol music.

Mrs. Ladd Honor

Guest at Tea 2-10-44

Mrs. Jesse A. Ladd, wife of Gen. Ladd, was entertained yesterday afternoon at a tea given by the officers wives residing in Sharon, in the ladies lounge at Officers Club No. 2, Camp Reynolds, Pa.

The tea table was laid with a beautiful Italian lace table cloth and centered with an arrangement of spring flowers. The appointments were in pastel shades.

Presiding, in turn, were Mrs. Don

V. Sawhill, Mrs. John Slater, Mrs. Glenn Cornell and Mrs. A. H. Hubbard.

Guests from the Hospitality committee of the Sharon USO included Mrs. Don V. Sawhill, Mrs. John Slater, Mrs. David Rosenblum, Mrs. H. Q. Garvey, Mrs. A. E. Able, Mrs. O. M. Rosenblum, Mrs. Don Phythoh and Miss Finigan, new director of the Sharon, USO.

Aiding Mrs. Malcolm Hawk, chairman, on the committee were Mrs. William Deatherage, Mrs. Gilbert Mintz, and Mrs. Bernard Johnson.

SERVICE CLUB FORMAL DANCE

— 2-11-44
St. Valentine's Dance
At Service Club No.
One.

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(Camp News Service)

Members of the Junior Business Women's Club of the Youngstown Y. W. C. A. will be guests of Service Club No. 1 for a formal Valentine's Day Dance from 9 to 12 p. m., February 14. Miss Nina Bondeson of the Youngstown group will be program chairman.

The club will be decorated for Valentine's day with life-sized cupid dolls. Refreshments will be served during the dance. Sgt. George Parker and his orchestra will play.

Formal gowns will be worn by the hostesses, lending a festive air to this gala occasion.

3-6-44

Mrs. Ladd Sponsors Teas for Wives of Officers

Mrs. Jesse A. Ladd, wife of General Ladd, has announced plans to sponsor an informal monthly "get-together" at Camp Reynolds Officers' Club No. 2, for wives of all officers stationed at Camp Reynolds, as well as wives of officers stationed at distant points, residing in this section.

Invitations have been mailed to all officers' wives whose addresses were available, to attend a meeting and tea at 2 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, March 15th at Officers' Club No. 2. At this time Mrs. Ladd, assisted by Mrs. William Robertson, Mrs. George Woodard and Mrs. Raymond Vermette, wives of Camp Reynolds Regiment Commanders, will arrange a definite schedule for the monthly meetings.

Mrs. Ladd said that undoubtedly there would be some officers' wives who would not receive invitations because of unavailable addresses or because their husbands were not stationed here. She requested that this notice would serve as an invitation to those missed, to attend the tea.

Any officer's wife who did not receive an invitation is asked to call Mrs. Malcomb Hawk, chairman of the officers wives of Sharon, by calling Sharon 7572 by March 10th.

3-8-44

Tea for Officers Wives To Include Army Nurses

Mrs. Jesse A. Ladd, wife of the Camp Reynolds commandant, announced yesterday that invitations to the informal tea, to be held for officers' wives at the camp's officers Club No. 2, Wednesday, March 15th, had also been extended to Army nurses stationed here.

The function, planned as a get-together for wives of officers at Camp Reynolds and those residing in nearby communities whose husbands are stationed at distant points, will be sponsored by Mrs. Ladd.

Assistants to Mrs. Ladd are Mrs. William Robertson and Mrs. Charles Chase, wives of Camp Reynolds regimental commanders.

TWO SCENES GIVE PICTURE OF CAMP REYNOLDS MEN IN MOMENTS OF WORK AND RELAXATION



Decked out in gala array with mammoth decorations symbolizing the Yuletide spirit, Camp Reynolds Service Club played host to lovely ladies of Sharon, Greenville, Youngstown, Mercer, Warren, New Castle and Meadville in formal dances held during the holiday week. Shown here is the gaily decorated interior of Service Club One, with Cpl. Herbert Mazer's orchestra providing the music.

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