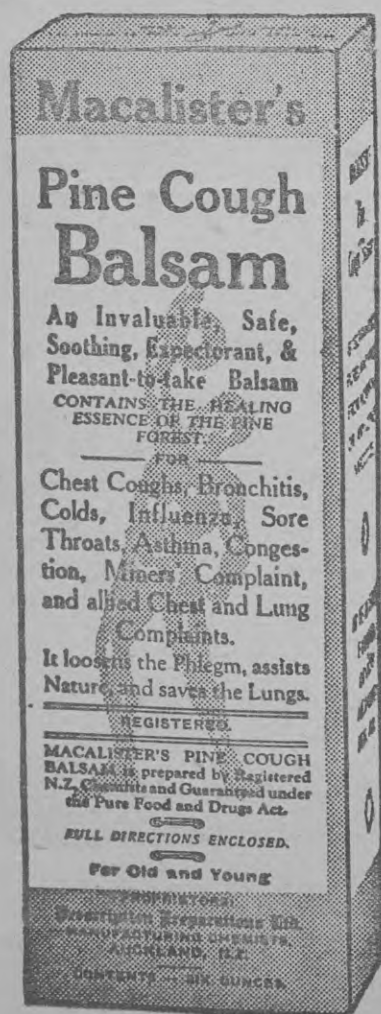


Army Education and Welfare

AEWS is now getting well under way, many have already taken advantage of it and many will be receiving Study Courses during the next few weeks. Those who have so far received University books have been more than pleased with them. I think every one has been agreeably surprised that AEWS has been launched so successfully and so quickly. There are quite a few, however, both Gunners and Waacs, who do not yet realise the opportunity now presented, and to those I would say read an article in the next issue headed "MY FUTURE."

Play Reading

A whole library of plays suitable for all male, all female and mixed castes is now available. We sincerely hope that all gun sites and Battery H.Q.'s will put on at least three or four plays during the next few months. Several sites have already had a great success, and they have found them most enjoyable both from the view point of the players and audience.



Careers

If you are wondering about your career after the war, ask to see the Education Officer's new book on "CAREERS."

Library

As yet not many requests have been made for special books or for information about almost anything. Don't forget to make use of this service if you want to know anything.

Discussion Courses

These are now available through the kindness of the W.E.A., and if groups of six or eight would like to form a class to meet and discuss subjects such as economics, English language and literature, reconstruction in the Pacific, etc, see your Education officer and he will arrange it. Special subjects are available for Waacs, but all subjects should suit them as well as the men, and indeed it will probably lead to better discussion to have mixed groups.

Woollen Toys Contest

The 15th Regiment Education Officer is pleased to give a prize to the value of £1 for the best woollen toy made by a gunner or Waacs in the regiment. Sole judge: Miss E. Avenall (RHQ); closing date: 31st May. Prize: Order for £1 on Messrs. Milne & Choyce, Ltd., or Messrs. John Court, Ltd. Materials can be supplied, but it is hoped that in addition you will bring from your own homes old materials, felt hats, etc.

MISFIT!

A P.B. gunner who had been complaining to the Q.M. that his new battledress didn't fit anywhere, walked, unsatisfied, out of the stores into the arms of a very senior officer who was visiting his battery. Not recognising him the P.B. gunner didn't salute.

The officer pulled him up.

"Here, you," he said. Look at my uniform!"

"Yes, I know," said the P.B. gunner. "Mine's pretty lousy, too."

66th Snarls

In the first issue of "FLAK" there appeared an observation on the guiding principles of the 66th which the Waacs cannot allow to remain unchallenged.

So we are being led along the paths of righteousness by Gipsy Queens and rum Beau Brummels, are we? Of course righteousness is a relative term. Not even a monster of iniquity would darken the fair and blameless souls that grace the halls of the Gipsy Queen's playground. It has occurred to us girls that the 66th might be incorporated in the AEWS as a school for scandal, "Advanced Studies in the English Slanguage," and "Technique."

For Waacs we would recommend the 66th as a finishing school. What your education lacks is taught here, and not by correspondence either.

Come, boys and girls, onward and upward to the House on the Hill, where dwell the seven pillars of wisdom. A hot reception awaits you.

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"A Dance will be held on Wed . . ."
"A return of bowlegged batmen . . ."
"A divine service for Waacs . . ."
And so it goes on.

After meditating on why Waacs should need divine service, and silently approving, one immediately springs into action in an energetic manner that would earn three hearty cheers from the Adj. The sheaf of papers is thrust into the S.M.'s hand with the terse words "See to these S.M.," and one ambles off to smoke a Yankee cigarette given by a fair Yankee nurse. (Phone number on application).

Some officers have requested that the rules of playing the "Muffin Man" be published. The writer will gladly demonstrate the entire game if the necessary materials are provided.

Well, having written out an application for special leave, recommended it on behalf of the O.C. and approved it on behalf of Regiment, I will now leave the peace and quiet (well it was 'til the Waacs came) of B.H.Q. and go to compete with the Yanks..

—"GYPSY QUEEN."

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