

PREVIEWS BY "PROFILE"

MARK OF THE WHISTLER is a fairly good Grade B mystery drama. Richard Dix and Janice Carter star. See it if you've an hour or two to spare....there might be a good short subject at any rate!

THE MERRY MONAHANS is tailor made for you Donald O'Connor-Peggy Ryan fans. These two give out with some of their distinctive chatter, song, and dance. The story isn't anything unusual, but then O'Connor-Ryan movies don't need any story to hold the audience's attention. (In case you're interested, the tale deals with the theatrical ups and downs of the Monahans.) Recommended for laughs and enjoyable patter.

Gertrude Lawrence made **LADY IN THE DARK** a hit on Broadway several seasons ago. Vic Mature got his break in it, and Danny Kaye became one of the nations top comedians by way of it, so.....**LADY IN THE DARK** should be, and is good escapist movie fare. Ginger Rogers stars as the sophisticated psychoneurotic editor of a fashion magazine. Suitors for her hand in marriage include, he-man Jon Hall, successful Warner Baxter, and even her arch enemy and associate, Ray Milland. She is talented, wealthy, she is miserable, and in desperation seeks the advice of a psychiatrist (Barry Sullivan). In a series of flashbacks we are shown her life from adolescence to mature woman-hood. Highlight of the film is Ginger singing the torchy Saga of Jenny. This one is recommended for a thoroughly enjoyable evening. At least so it says here.

Becomes A Godfather

The Digioannis of Oria celebrated a baptism in the family last week and asked an old friend to participate in the ceremony. So Sgt. Stephen Jablonski, 723rd Medic, became the godfather of Leberto Tosti, a chubby bambino, the son of his girl friend's sister.

The christening took place at the Cathedral of Oria. The dark eyed Signorina Gina Digioanni, whom Sgt. Jablonski has been persistently courting, was the godmother.

Jablonski did not strike onlookers as an old hand at baptisms, but he might have been slightly upset by the furious screeching of tiny Leberto throughout his induction into the ranks. He quieted down at the reception when he was passed around for everyone to kiss-another custom that bewildered the American godfather.

THE CARBINE AFTER THE WAR

Some persons are of the opinion that they would dearly love to own one of the army's carbines after the war to use as a hunting rifle. Should any one of these persons be able to secure one of the present model; they would soon discover their mistake. The carbine we are using was definitely not designed as a hunting rifle. It was designed for one purpose only: shooting the enemy. It performs that purpose very well, but when it comes to hunting game, either large or small, it is "no buono!"

We have secured information from a reliable source that the Winchester Repeating Arms Company already has plans for a carbine, patterned after the model in use by the Army, but made either in a .22 calibre "Hornet," or a .218 "Bee." Whereas the present model .30 cal. carbine has a velocity of 2,000 feet per second, the .22 Calibre "Hornet" will have a velocity of 2,600 feet per second and the .218 "Bee" a velocity of 2,900 to 3,000 feet per second. In addition to the automatic, a lever action model will be made for those who prefer that type of arm.

Men who have used the present model carbine as a hunting rifle against deer, elk and bear, find it very deficient. It just does not have enough shocking power to knock large game down and keep it down. As a result, many such animals, although fatally wounded, manage to run far enough away from the hunter to lose themselves and then die, never to be found. In the case of small game, rabbits, squirrel and woodchuck, for instance, the smaller size of the projectile in the new carbine will not damage the game so much, yet will have sufficient accuracy and power to kill it cleanly.

Another fact in favor of the smaller calibre, higher velocity cartridge is that the ammunition will be considerably cheaper than the .30 calibre. Undoubtedly, better sights will be another improvement of the new carbine. So, from all evidence at hand a very practicable and serviceable all-around rifle will soon be ready for the sportsman.

Pilot Training For Combat Returnees

We are reprinting below a report from Lt. Gen. Barton K. Yount's AAF Training Command Headquarters, Fort Worth, Tex., concerning the manner in which the Training Command handles many men who are returned home from combat assignments:

Fort Worth, Tex., March 28.-Eight hundred and sixty-six fliers who have served overseas as bombardiers, navigators, gunners and glider pilots are among the 1,821 prospective AAF airplane pilots entered in the current primary flying class, it was announced today at Lt. Gen. Barton K. Yount's AAF Training Command Headquarters.

Having fought in aerial battles all over the world, as air crew members or at the controls of the gliding "whisper ships," they have requested airplane pilot training for another go at the enemy.

These combat returnees with flying experience have priority over regular graduates of pre-flight school when assignments are being made to the Training Command's primary flying schools.

It is a two-fold policy of the Training Command to utilize combat returnees to the fullest possible extent and to give them priority within the needs of the service and the available training quotas, said General Yount.

They are students of the Training Command for the second time, General Yount noted. His Command operates a nationwide network of flying and technical schools to

provide individual training for virtually all AAF personnel--not only the pilots, but the bombardiers, navigators and gunners as well, and the technicians.

The 866 combat returnees included 848 officers who had been air crew members or glider pilots, and 18 enlisted men who have been gunners. It was stated that future primary classes will have a much larger proportion of enlisted returnees, many of whom have not yet completed the 10-week pre-flight course at San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, San Antonio, Tex.

The returned officers qualify in pre-flight subjects on a proficiency basis, which shortens the time necessary for these courses.

The current class also includes another priority group composed of 291 former flight instructors who, as civilians, taught light-plane indoctrination or primary flying under civil contract, or in the former civil Aeronautics Administration-War Training Service program. These trainees have had their basic military training and the complete 10-week pre-flight course.

In learning to become military pilots, they will take the regular basic and advanced courses of 10 weeks. In the primary courses they will take the same ground subjects as other trainees, but may shorten their primary air training by demonstrating their proficiency.

Religious Services

CATHOLIC

Sundays

1100 — Theatre Building
Confessions in Gp. Officer's Club
1930 - 722nd Mess Hall

Tuesdays

1930 - 722nd Mess Hall

PROTESTANT

Sunday

1000 - New Theatre Bldg.
1830 - Chaplain's Office

Thursdays

1900 - Chaplain's Office

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
Sunday

At 1930 Manduria Red Cross

JEWISH

1900 - Friday - in the
Chaplain's Office.

CHAPEL OF THE AIR

1230 - Voice of the Cottontails.

THEATRE

Reg. show. M-T-W-S at 1800-2000
Matinee M-T-Th & Sat at 1330

✦ MONDAY — Apr 23 ✦
MARK OF THE WHISTLER

WITH RICARD DIX
JANICE CARTER

✦ TUESDAY — Apr 24 ✦

G. I. MOVIES

News Lecture

✦ WEDNESDAY — Apr 25 ✦

THE MERRY MONAHANS

WITH DONALD O'CONNOR
PEGGY RYAN

✦ FRIDAY — Apr 27 ✦

LADY IN THE DARK

WITH GINGER ROGERS
RAY MILLAND

SELECTED SHORT SUBJECTS

Buy War Bonds

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