

## Red Cross War Fund Drive Opens Here On First of March

The annual American Red Cross War Fund drive begins on Chico Army Air Field on the first of March.

Although there will be no solicitation of military personnel, including officers, cadets and enlisted men, they will be free to make voluntary contributions. A booth will be available in the PX for this purpose.

The field Welfare Fund will make a contribution of \$600.

Solicitation of civilian employees will be made by a committee of officers' wives under the direction of Mrs. Gerald Hoyle, wife of the commanding officer.

Last year, according to Mrs. Aileen C. Glenn, assistant field director of the ARC, this post made a contribution of \$1,175.50, most of which was given by the Welfare Fund.

Activities of the Red Cross on this field alone included assistance in various ways to 642 able bodied soldiers and 72 hospital patients.

Two hundred eighty-one loans, totaling \$14,695.41, were made, and three grants totaling \$211 also were given.

Among the other activities of the National Red Cross are:

Helps service men with personal problems, sends food parcels to prisoners of war, aids service families and disabled veterans, operates service clubs overseas, recruits army and navy nurses, handles emergency messages for service men and families, collects blood plasma, provides comforts, cheer and recreation in hospitals, makes surgical dressings, and helps when disaster strikes.

## THOUGHT FOR TODAY

His wife was a WAVE, and he waved at a WAC;

The WAC was in front, but the WAVE was in back.

Instead of a wave from the WAC be it said,

He won but a whack from the WAVE that he wed.

## Motor Transportation KEEP 'EM ROLLING

The Motor Pool quartet has just been formed (much to the dismay of those who have to listen to it!) consisting of Cpl. Cian-nelli, Pfc. Frank Gerome and two other unfortunates who haven't been discovered yet. We pity the few who eat lunch in the office and have to listen to what sounds like the "wail of the banshee"!!

SEEN AROUND TOWN: Pfc. Sopher coming out of the Senator with a pretty young miss. S/Sgt. Papez bowling a 241 game at the Chico Bowling Alley, with the fine and interesting support of—you guess!! Pvt. Kingcade patrolling Main Street in search of something. (wonder what??) Pfc. Parascondola is indeed the "lone wolf" of the Motor Pool; he must have a hiding place of his own, for he never can be found. Pvt. Ruben tripping the light fantastic with a blonde at Moonlight Gardens; we're laying bets to see if he can stick to his resolution to stay on the post for three months. (We doubt it very much.)

Sgt. (Dictionary) Quinlan is having troubles of his own trying to keep the pedestrian traffic out of the Dispatcher's Office. How about cooperating with him before he loses the few remaining hairs in his head, fellows!

Our former Driver's Training School Instructor, Sgt. Hamil, has been transferred to England General Hospital, Atlantic City, N. J.; how about writing to him, we're sure he'd appreciate hearing from all of you.

## RED CROSS ASSISTANT ARRIVES AT CAAF

Mrs. Aileen C. Glenn, Assistant Field Director of the American Red Cross, announced the arrival of Miss Ruth E. McRoberts who is a Red Cross staff aide assigned to this post to assist with the activities at Chico Army Air Field.

Miss McRoberts, whose home is San Diego, has just completed a three week training course at the American University, Washington, D.C. She received instruction in the varied aspects of Red Cross service with specific emphasis on social and recreational activities. She will assist mainly with the program for convalescents in the Station Hospital.