

"Y" Canteen Proves Hit With Soldiers

The opening of the "Y" Servicemen's Canteen, established by the Pittsburgh Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board of which Harry Schaffer is chairman, proved to be one of the year's outstanding events.

Last Saturday's dance was one of the gala events of the season, with attractive dance partners provided by the YWCA and our own "Y" dancing with the splendid looking young men of the Air Corps stationed at the University of Pittsburgh as the male guests. Dr. Elliott Brodie, "Y" member, contributed to the entertainment of the evening with a performance of mental telepathy which astounded and amazed the audience.

Several hundred people were served over the week-end at the canteen, which meets a long-felt recreational need with its attractively furnished lounge. Almost from the time the canteen opened at 3 on Saturday until the closing at 10 on Sunday, a constant stream of service men found relaxation and entertainment their's for the asking.

On Sunday afternoon there was a novel program in the canteen lounge, and the lounge provided those attending with games, a music box, victrola, piano and classical music. A casual observer last Sunday would have seen a group in one corner listening to classical music, then the rug cutters with the latest jive, and later some people draped around the piano to admire the artistry of one of the boys, while still others played checkers with the hostesses, and some just relaxed, reading a paper. Food was served to everyone, with the late breakfast snack proving to be most popular with the boys.

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Hostessing was ably taken care by Mrs. Louis Abrams, assisted by a corps of junior hostesses under chairman Jewell Nussbaum. Mrs. Leo Schonfield corralled the senior hostesses who served at the canteen and at the reception desk in the lobby. Anyone wishing to entertain at future events of the canteen is asked to please contact Mrs. William Weiner at Court 1847.

The canteen will be open this week-end and on every succeeding week-end, and all service men and their friends are cordially invited to stop in and help themselves to fun, relaxation and entertainment.
