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Article Summary: Members of the Omaha Tribe living in Decatur organized two service clubs during World War II: the "War Mothers and Fathers" and the "Minute" Women.

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within the range of mortal vision, but those that do will find warm welcome on their way home if they stop at the North Platte Canteen.

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"The day had been exceptionally hot and heavy, and supplies at the Canteen had run low two or three times. The man from Lodgepole had made several hurried trips to the dairy, the grocery, the bakery; had worked on the floor cleaning tables and helping with the dishwasher, hardly having time to draw a full breath.

"Late in the evening a twelve-car hospital train pulled into the station. This man was the first to start out with the baskets that are placed in each car for those who cannot come to the Canteen, then carried extra supplies to some cars. Just before the train pulled out, one of the ladies rushed in saying she wanted a sprinter to take a large jar of hot coffee to the last car, as the boys there were needing it badly.

"Once again the man from Lodgepole started back down the platform. Another who was standing near volunteered to take the coffee. 'Let me—you've been through a big day.' The faithful one stopped in amazement. 'Hell! What do you think those boys have been through?' And ran on.

"Such incidents happen every day in the Canteen, and they are responsible for the many kind words received from the thousands of men and women in service who pass through there every day."—*North Platte Telegraph*, June 26, 1944.

### Service Clubs of the Omaha Tribe

An informal letter from Eunice W. Stabler, whose sons' names are listed among the heroes in this issue, tells us that the members of the Omaha Tribe now living in Decatur have organized two service clubs. One is the "War Mothers and Fathers" of sons in the armed forces, whether at home or abroad. Several of these sons have been wounded; Private Stabler is the only one killed. They meet twice a month, exchange news from the boys, and unite in prayer.

The other club, the "Minute Women," arranges social gatherings for every soldier home on furlough. Both organizations are very active, and give all possible aid to the boys and their families as occasion arises.

The Omaha Indians have a service flag of their own and have composed a World War Song, dedicated to their men. At all these gatherings the American flag is raised and the sundown service observed.