

# SERVICE NOTES

Bud Auten has returned to Camp Haan, California after spending a five day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Auten.

Francis J. Powell is in the National School of Aeronautics at Kansas City, Mo., and his brother, William, is in the Engineering Corps stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Alfred Lint, Jr., who is in the parachute division has finished his training at Camp Poccoa, Ga., and is now taking his jumping training at Fort Benning, Ga.

Pfc. Charles Schlegel has returned to Chantam Field, Ill., after spending a four day furlough with his parents on Glen Road.

Dear Sir:

My new address is on the front of this card.

It's swell receiving your paper down here in the swamps of Louisiana, and if any of the boys are in Camp Polk or near it, I'd like to look them up. We have been on maneuvers for about six weeks, but now we are in garrison in Camp Polk for a while.

Thanks again for your paper.

Sincerely,

Cpl. Dick Roth.

July 5, 1943

Dear Editor:

Thank you for the Farmington Enterprise. In the army, overseas, I can appreciate the home paper more than ever. I am sorry I am so very late with this thanks. However I would like to send my best wishes to you and my friends back home, and in the army.

Very truly yours,

Stan Nelson.

Trooper Edward Callan of the Canadian Army was home over the weekend of July 24. Trooper Callan has passed all his examinations with high grades, and is now a tank wireless operator.

July 24, 1943

Dear Sirs:

I received your kind and brief clipping of what I sketched for the Enterprise, and to see my name in the Enterprise meant an awful lot to me. It ridged my fighting spirit to the highest possible point, and it will stay there. I am really proud to put everything in this cause to help wonderful people like you. And that comes from the bottom of the heart, too.

Accordingly, give my regards to all the people in Farmington and all the boys that left the great town of Farmington to enter the army and help their neighbors. We know that everyone back there is putting everything they've got to help us to the highest point, and we have the spirit to push us far ahead and we are going there, too. You can count on us to keep everything and everyone well and very happy. Thanks to you and all.

Yours very sincerely,

T/S Frank Campeau.

Recent graduate of the Kingman Army Air Field flexible gunnery school, situated a few miles outside of Kingman, Arizona, was James R. Barrons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Barrons of Farmington. Sgt. Barrons entered the Army at Detroit on December 9, 1942. He attended Farmington High School.

As a student gunner at the Kingman school, Sgt. Barrons went through a ground school course in which he was taught the principles of ballistics, sighting, turret maintenance, range estimation and aircraft machine guns. Following a protracted course on the gunnery range, where he shot the 22 rifle, shot-gun and calibre .50 machine guns, he was given two weeks of air firing before being presented with his gunnery wings.

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Dear Editor:

I have a few minutes to myself and I thought I would drop you a line and thank you sincerely for sending me the Enterprise for the past five months. Words cannot express my appreciation for sending it. I find that after a day's work, there is nothing better than to sit down and read your home town paper. It certainly makes one feel closer to home. Like most of the other servicemen, I enjoy the Service Notes most of all because it enables me to keep track of my friends and former school mates.

Also at this time I will notify you of a change in my address. I am now at Camp Crowder, Missouri, attending school.

So far I haven't found anything to compare with this Missouri weather. Boy, it's hot day and night around here.

UP your bond buying

PAYROLL SAVINGS

James D. Ehrler, Sector Air Raid Warden of Area 5, Sector 8 of Farmington township, has been called back into the army and will leave August 13.

Fred Meyers of the Paratroopers is enjoying a leave at his home on Inksater.

Orville Robertson has been promoted to Private First Class.

Norman Parent of Hugh Avenue is enjoying a thirty day medical furlough from Percy Jones Hospital at Battle Creek, where he has been for about six weeks after his return from the Guadalcanal and New Caledonia battle areas.

Corporal Roy Holbrook of Southfield Township returned to El Paso, Texas, after a ten day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryall received word from their son, Corporal James Ryall, who is located in Australia, that he has returned to duty after a rest and visit in southern Australia.

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# MUSSOLINI LEADS NO LONGER



ROME, ITALY—Soundphoto—This photo was made during the staging of one of those brilliant military spectacles so dear to the Fascist heart. Il Duce, Benito Mussolini (center), is flanked by Italy's little King Victor Emmanuel (left) and Marshal Pietro Badoglio. Last Sunday word came from Italy that Il Duce has "resigned" as Premier and the King appointed Badoglio as his successor.

## Chaplain Devises Library For Use at the Front

Front line library service is being furnished soldiers at an outpost in the Pacific under a unique system devised by Chaplain Lloyd W. Halverson of Covina, Calif. Chaplain Halverson found that when the men were on duty in isolated dugouts and remote field sectors, ready access to books was not always possible.

"If the soldiers can't get to the libraries maintained by the Red Cross and Army Special Services," reasoned Chaplain Halverson, "let's get the library to the soldiers." His suggestion reached his home community, and the citizens of Covina made the "Chaplain's Outpost Library" a reality.

It comprises 50 water-tight boxes built to hold five or six books apiece, and bearing circular insignia marked with the identity of the donor city and the chaplain's name. Each is packed with new editions of the latest and best books, carefully selected from a variety of subjects on the basis of the men's reading interests. The books have been treated to resist insect attacks, and are stamped with the circular insignia. A regular library card is included. The selections are made not only to offer the men reading material, but with a view to improving their reading habits and adding to their knowledge. When the boxes arrive at gun positions and field emplacements they contain western stories, mystery stories, good fiction, and leading non-fiction, and occasional choices from the fields of humor and poetry.

## New Flush Valves

A vacuum breaker for flush valves made of transparent plastic so that the operation of the unit can be visually inspected is the latest in heating. Inasmuch as the purpose of the vacuum breaker is to protect water supplies against the hazards of reverse flow or back-siphonage, the fact that the outer shell is transparent is an advantage because it facilitates inspection for the purpose of checking on the operation of the unit. Thus the development of a wartime substitute has brought with it more positive protection to health. The new vacuum breaker with its transparent outer shell is used in conjunction with a war model flush valve in which the content of critical copper has been reduced from six pounds to less than four ounces. The new valve is made principally of malleable iron and plastics.

## China Fights Illiteracy

No small share of credit for China's heroic six-year defense against Japan can be attributed, in part, to her campaign against illiteracy. Started in 1930 with establishment of the Mass Education movement, this campaign received new impetus at the outbreak of war. Today, many active projects directed towards the destruction of illiteracy are carried on even in the most distant and isolated regions of western China. Agents of progress are not only government workers, but high school and college students and even children.

## Lexington Famous Name In U. S. Naval History

An 18-gun sloop, the Lexington, was one of the important ships in the fleet of Commodore Perry when he made his historic visit to Japan in 1854, thus setting up a curious chain of events leading to the Battle of the Coral Sea and the gallant end of another Lexington, the "Queen of the Flat-Tops."

The first Lexington was a brig of 16 guns, the first Continental ship ready for the sea. The second ship to bear the name was the same ship which sailed under the command of Commodore Perry in 1854.

Third ship to be called Lexington was an iron-clad river steamer of seven guns which served with some distinction during the Civil War.

Next came the ill-fated but valiant Lexington, the aircraft carrier sunk in the Coral Sea engagement. The newest Lexington is also an aircraft carrier. She was launched late in September of 1941. Perhaps, navy men predict, this Lexington may also visit Japan!

## Transplant Quinine

Cinchona tree seeds snatched from under the noses of the Japanese in the Philippines after the fall of Batangas provide the foundation for development of the quinine industry in the Western hemisphere.

Col. Arthur F. Fischer, who spent many years in the Philippines raising the cinchona tree, making quinine and fighting malaria, brought 2,000,000 of the precious seeds back to the United States after his escape by plane from Mindanao.

More than 100,000 seedlings, carefully nurtured in the experimental greenhouses, are ready for transplanting to the rich soil of Costa Rica to help the Americas grow their own malaria drugs. Representatives of Costa Rica and the United States have entered into an agreement under which 10,000 acres of the trees will be planted. Specialists in the United States board of economic warfare have studied the climate and soil of the Central American republic. Colonel Fischer believes Costa Rica possesses all of the possibilities necessary to revive the industry in the hemisphere on a grand scale.

## Finland Must Import

Finland needs for her industries coal, coke, chemicals, iron and steel, machinery, cotton piece goods and woollens. To fill out the national menu Finland must bring in meat, fruit, coffee, tea, spices, grain and flour, sugar and confectionery.

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With the development of the glass bottle in the 15th century and its more general introduction in the 17th century, the use of cork became more widespread and the beginnings of the cork industry may be said to have started then. Cork forests which for centuries had been growing wild, surviving the ravages of drought, wind and fire, were recognized to have a definite commercial value. The first steps toward the cultivation of the cork oak tree were taken in Spain in 1760. A German who had moved to the Spanish peninsula rented several cork forests, cleaned out the underbrush and supervised the harvesting of the bark. The cork was exported to Germany and sold there. Others recognizing the profit in this enterprise, followed the example and by 1830 the cultivation of the cork oak had extended into France, Portugal, Italy and Northern Africa.

## New Orleans Now Air Port

Initiation of a Pan American Airways Latin American service through the port of New Orleans will be along the historic north-south march of men and goods which 100 years ago made the Louisiana metropolis a more important international shipping center than New York. Down the great Ohio and Mississippi valleys flowed commercial traffic at a time when New Orleans was a bustling, boisterous, cosmopolitan among its sister American cities. Progressively New Orleans took on dignity and progressively the east-west railroads and the Panama canal nibbled away at the city's importance as the leading American seaport. New Orleans still enjoys the position of a major American port. With the coming of the trans-Gulf airway, it will be an international gateway for north-south air traffic.

## Western Grandeur

The Grand Teton National park and the Jackson Hole National monument in Wyoming form a matchless combination of scenic beauty. Within the park is a massing of mountain peaks, much of it above timber line. The Grand Teton itself, loftiest peak in the park, rises to an altitude of 13,764 feet, and has been referred to by a outstanding historian as "the most noted historic summit of the West."

The Teton rises 5,000 to 7,000 feet above the floor of Jackson Hole, giving a breath-taking range of scenery.

## Bomb Insects

A fine-fog method of dividing and spreading insecticides has been discovered and "bombs" containing the mixture are being sent to the fighting fronts to help protect men against mosquitoes, flies and other insects.

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Peasant Native to South America

Sometimes called a goober in the United States, the peanut, a source of scores of by-products vital to mankind, had its origin in South America. Yet, because of the attention demanded by more exportable crops, Brazil did not fully develop its peanut resources.

Chinese Migrate

Ever since the Tang dynasty (A.D. 618-906) the Chinese have been migrating abroad, first to the South Sea Islands, then to the Western world. Even today the Chinese in the Malay peninsula and the East Indies proudly call themselves the "people of the Great Tang."

Farm Mortgages

Census data for 1940 shows that of Illinois farms operated by full owners 37.6 were mortgaged, while of the farms operated by part owners 46.5 per cent were mortgaged.

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