

## MICHIGAN AND THE OLD NORTHWEST

### The Evacuation Decree



In his plan for a colony in the west, Cadillac's vision followed La Salle's.



In 1698 Upper Lakes posts were evacuated; Cadillac went to Quebec.



Fearing Cadillac at Detroit would speed Indian ruin, Jesuits opposed him.



Cadillac went to France and asked for troops at Detroit, despite recent decree.



### Service Notes

Pfc Harvey Dault received an honorable discharge from the Army at Percy Jones Hospital center on February 23, 1946. Pfc Dault served as a truck driver and also as Intelligence Control Room Operator in the Philippines. He received the Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon.

Among those from Walled Lake recently discharged from the Navy are John C. Butler, S 1/c, of 2207 Welch Road, and Bernard H. Martin, Eas. of 5370 Halstead Road.

Pvt. Albert P. Sharp, husband of Mrs. Geraldine E. Sharp, and son of Mr. James H. Sharp of Akron, Mich., arrived safely in Naples, Italy, and has been assigned to the 53rd Ordnance Ammunition Co., a unit of the Peninsular Base Section, the Army Service Force in Italy.

PBS served and supplied the 5th Army and the ground crews of the U.S. Air Force and Navy during the entire Italian Campaign. The Base is commanded by Brigadier General Francis H. Cox.

After arrival in Naples Port, Pvt. Sharp was transported to the 7th Replacement Depot for processing according to Army skill and civilian specialty. Within 36 hours he boarded coach trains to Leghorn. Enroute here, the train stopped at Rome where a hot meal was served. At Grosseto, almost midway between Rome and Leghorn, coffee and doughnuts were provided in a railroad station club of the American Red Cross. Upon arrival at Leghorn, the soldier went to the 1st Staging Area to be transported to his assigned unit in the near vicinity.

Pvt. Sharp was a truck driver prior to his entry into the Army on March 27th, 1945.

Ronald Bell, S 1/c, returned to his ship Monday after spending a 14 day furlough with his parents.



Farmington Kiwanians listened with interest to a talk given by Lt. Col. Jacobson at their meeting last Wednesday evening. Lt. Col. Jacobson was a Staff Officer with the Fifth Army. He spoke of his first hand experience at Anzio and at Cassino. He inspected the troops prior to landing in Southern France, and he visited hospitals and rest areas all through Africa and Italy.

Due to the nature of his work, Col. Jacobson had ample opportunity to observe the work of the Red Cross. He told of the clubs they established in rest areas, and of the splendid work that has been done by Red Cross in our hospitals, overseas and at home.

Harley Walters was chairman of this program.

March 27 is Ladies' Night, and Trace Conroy is chairman.

### FROM THE FARM-BELT CIVIC ASSOCIATION

A membership committee was formed this week to expedite calling on the residents. The chairman is Mr. H. F. Rapson on Meridian 9777-J. In case you want to work with him on the committee.

Mr. Belser has told Mr. Del-Montier that we may have the use of the school for our meeting on May 11th. This may seem like a long time to wait but there are so many things to do before we meet, that even that date seems too soon. However we realize the importance of this meeting to all of us and plans are going ahead. Please keep the date in mind and plan to be there. Admission will be by membership card. If we haven't been able to get to you as yet, and you are waiting to join why not call us? We will see that a man calls on you in a day or two.

We understand that those unearthly, agonizing groans which have been heard in the recent weeks are coming from the town hall. The articulation is coming from our duly elected officers, who somehow remind us of the man whose roof didn't leak when it wasn't raining. All the trouble seems to be over the condition of the roads, which is really an exaggeration, as any resemblance to roads is purely coincidental. One wonders if the "grand old men" of Livonia Township (and there is really more to the township than Rosedale Gardens and Coventry Gardens) are dodging the rate public in an effort to procrastinate until May 1st. Just when the roads will become passable due to the efforts of Mother Nature. However the people of the Farm-Belt Civic Association have no intention of dropping the subject as soon as "the road stops leaking." We have gone through this amphibious approach to our homes so many times that our sight is now penetrating to next spring when, once again we will have to leave our cars, several blocks from home and "take to the woods." We sincerely hope that "the grand old men" see to it that some start is made in the right direction, and wish to remind them that spring is only 12 months away.

Don't forget May 11th. If your neighbors haven't joined, urge them to do so before the meeting, so that they too can come and voice their opinions. One of the important events will be the ratification of the constitution and by-laws.

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