



**Service Notes**

Private Clinton Spies has returned to Camp Abbott, Oregon, after spending a furlough at his home.

Sergeant Paul Hoffmann is recovering at Percy Jones Hospital, Battle Creek, from a broken neck which he received in an automobile accident about a month ago. Paul's friends may write him at Ward 4, Room 1, Percy Jones Hos-

Donald Voorhees, who had been spending an eight day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Voorhees, was taken seriously ill the first of the week. It was necessary to apply to Navy authorities for an extension of his furlough. He is now considerably improved, ready to return to Norfolk.

Mrs. E. Tilley received a beautiful bouquet of red roses for Mother's Day from her son, Corporal Reuben W. "Bud" Tilley, who is stationed in England.

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Pfc Douglas MacArthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander J. MacArthur of 21698 Inkster Road, now stationed at the Lincoln Army Air Field, is expected home to spend a 15-day furlough with his family. Pfc MacArthur was inducted into the service in December, 1943. He is now assigned as an aerial gunner.

May 10, 1944

To the Editor:

I thought I would drop you a few lines to give you my new address. It seems that all they do in this army is change your address.

I thought the new address would speed the Enterprise in getting to me. It sure is great to read about where all of your buddies in the service are and how they are coming along. Maybe it won't be long before we can all get together and won't have to read about where they are. I guess that is about all for tonight. Good luck to all of the fellows scattered around the world.

Cpl. Norman Stewart,  
Westover Field, Massachusetts.

April 8, 1944

Dear Mrs. Lenz:

I was very glad to hear from you and wish to thank you for writing because mail is the greatest morale builder for a soldier. I received the Church Christmas box and it was greatly appreciated by all of the boys in the hut. I hope that you will personally thank Mr. Wines and that give to the Red Cross because if it isn't too dangerous they go around to all Army Camps giving out free coffee, doughnuts, candy and other articles that are available. One thing I can say and that is that this is a great experience and that I'll appreciate and understand the smaller things in life. United States is travelling entirely too fast for the people, and no place to go because the world is getting smaller. Hope all is well on the home front.

Sincerely yours,  
S/Sgt. George L. Esch.

May 11, 1944

Dear Editor:

I take this opportunity to thank you for the paper. I receive it quite regular, and it's a pleasure to read about the things that are happening at home. I also enjoy reading the letters sent in by others in the services.

At present I am stationed in the South Pacific, on one of the many islands. The weather here is quite warm most of the time. During the day the thermometer usually reads well above the hundred mark. The nights are cool, but not enough to require covers.

Tom Barber recently spent a few days at home, en route to his new station at Westover Field, Massachusetts.

Thirty next of kin of Michigan AAF heroes were invited to Selbridge Field on Saturday to receive decorations for feats of their fighting men. The ceremony was held at 2:00 p.m. in front of Base Headquarters. Major Dwight H. Bridges, Base Commander, pinned the decorations on the relatives of men who are prisoners of war, missing in action or killed in action.

Pursuant to General Orders, Headquarters, Third Bombardment Division, the Air Medal was awarded Sergeant Goble Miracle for exceptionally meritorious achievement while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied Europe. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by this enlisted man upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States.

Sergeant Miracle having been reported missing in action, presentation of the Air Medal was made to his father, John H. Miracle of 2124 Randall Street.

At the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, San Antonio, Texas, future pilots, bombardiers and navigators are receiving preflight courses to prepare them for aerial instruction. The present preflight class includes 306 from Michigan, and Farmington is represented by Frank J. Panzini, 22, of 2909 List Street.

May 18, 1944

Dear Sirs:

I wish to take this time to thank you very much for the paper you have been sending me and also to advise you of my new address. I hope I am not putting you to too much trouble by moving so often, but you know how it is. This is all for now, and thanks again.

Private Arthur R. Goers,  
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Two Farmington boys, Pfc George Davis and Ray Seeley have written home that they have met somewhere in the South Pacific.

May 9, 1944

Dear Sir:

I suppose you say the only time some of these fellows write is when they want to change their address. Well, as that is one objective of this letter I shall try to add a bit more to make you feel a bit better.

I also decided that a lot of roses were being thrown your way. Not that you don't deserve them, but just the fact that too much praise might make you feel too good and "splish," you might spring a leak. So I decided to

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knock you just for a different type of a letter.

I sweat out a couple of issues of perfect press then finally this week came my big opportunity. Right on the front page just as big as life was your "Waterloo." Sit back and take this.

You had an article on one George Aubill, which was headed "Aerial Gunner." Underneath his picture was his title "Flight Officer Aubill" or words to that effect. On down through the article it went on to explain where George graduated from "Fighter Pilot" school and had been commissioned a second lieutenant. Now my frame, what is the story? Is George a second lieutenant, a flight officer, an aerial gunner, or a fighter pilot, I ask you? So there, too. No offense, though. This is just to let you know my new address and thank you once again for the paper.

It's just what the doctor orders once per week.

Charles Sullivan,  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Three Farmington men who have recently commenced "boot" training in the United States Navy at Great Lakes, Illinois, are Eugene L. Cuny, 25, husband of Martha J. Cuny, 2230 Gill Road; Robert H. Friday, 17, of 20957 Hugo and Jack R. Hilborn, 24, husband of Marion E. Hilborn, 22403 Floral Drive.

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