



Corp. Berl Williams is in France with Patton's Third Army. He says he has seen a lot of bombing, strafing and artillery shelling, as well as quite a bit of the country. He also says the French girls are pretty good looking but he isn't very well acquainted with them as yet.

Walter A. Hill, S 2/c, advises us he is at Great Lakes attending the Service School and is at present learning fire control. Walter has been in 13 months and says he is anxious to get it over with so he can get back to the old job of pulling levers for an oiling crew. He was formerly with Boldt's crew.

T/5 William Black, with the Army Engineers "somewhere in the Marianas" advises he has been getting the Magazine and enjoys it very much. Bill is anxious to get back among God's people and on the good old payroll again. We are sure he won't have to wait long the way things look at present.

Lieut. Everett C. "Clare" Jones, former highway sign crew foreman at Klamath Falls, and now with the armed forces in Holland, has been promoted from staff sergeant to second Lieutenant. The commission was conferred on the battlefield. Clare was through the African and Sicilian campaigns and has been in Europe since "D" day.

Major Al. York, formerly with Scott's Engineers, is somewhere in France but as we have no further information can tell no more until some of his writing friends pass the information along.

Gordon Scott of the Tillamook Chapter, is in Navy training at the

U. of W. in Seattle. Gordon recently spent a short furlough at Portland and Neah-kah-hie. We understand there was quite a drop in the local duck census while he was there. Hope he does the same to the slant eyes if and when he gets the opportunity.

Sgt. Herman M. Baxter, formerly plant foreman on Lou Kerber's paving crew, is in Burma with the Army Engineers where he has spent the last 12 or 13 months. "Herm" has visited Bombay and Calcutta, being in both cities about March, 1943. He says that country has lots of rain, fevers, insects and snakes, but to his surprise the natives are quite friendly.

Among those still at Camp Parks are Lou Kerber, C.M.M., Paul Davies, C. P.O., and Lester Davidson, M.M. 1/, all Seabees with considerable foreign service.

Don Taylor, C.S.K., Seabees, is now in the Marianas, having left the states in September, so advises Mrs. Taylor, who says Don has been too busy to do much exploring as yet but has been able to see quite a bit of the results of the shelling and bombing as well as considerable moisture. Drop us a line, Don.

Sandy Monroe, formerly Highway Department section helper at Mitchell until the recent unpleasantness started in the Pacific, has been visiting his old friends in Central Oregon. We don't look for the Marine Corps to do much until Sandy gets back from his furlough.

Another visiting Marine in Central Oregon was Alvis Logan who used to