

where he is, but that he guesses maybe somebody likes it there.

Tec. 3/c Don E. Devlin, who left our organization for the armed forces on March 4, 1942, writes that he is now located in Italy and, for the first time in many months, is only required to work six and one-half days a week, including many nights. His hours of duty prior to January 1945 were from 8 A.M. to 12 noon; 1 P.M. to 5 P.M., and 6 P.M. to 9 P.M., for seven days a week. However, as of the first of January, he started getting one-half day off per week, and on the first of February, night work was eliminated. Don is very much impressed with Italy, and has had an opportunity, on many occasions, to visit Florence, Naples, Pompeii and many other interesting communities in Italy since leaving Casablanca in North Africa. Don would be very happy to hear from any of his acquaintances.

The last report from Captain James F. Haley is from the Det. of 11th Airborne Troops. As can be recalled, the 11th Airborne Division invaded the Philippines south of Manila. Jim, who is technical adviser in the Signal Corps, volunteered for service on May 5, 1942, and after first having spent considerable time at Fort Monmouth, was sent to the British Isles for further study, and was located at Gibraltar during the first days of the invasion of North Africa. He was later transferred to the States for further schooling at the Bell Laboratories, and from there he was transferred to New Guinea. Since

that time, he has been attached to the 5th and 11th Airborne Troops, and has spent considerable time in Australia and on the various Islands of the Pacific before going to the Philippines.

Seaman 3/c Bertha Welch is located in Norfolk Naval Yards, Portsmouth, Virginia. She is at the present time assisting in cooking for from 700 to 1000 lady personnel and enjoying her work.

Pvt. John R. Kelley is on leave from the Hawaiian Islands, and is enjoying a brief furlough with his wife, June Kelley, who is with the Permit Department of the PUC.

Also on leave is Ensign Robert K. McNeil after receiving his wings at the U.S. Naval Training Center, Corpus Christi, Texas. He is visiting his mother, Sara McNeil, who handles the Mailing Department of the PUC, and will report to Deland, Florida on the 13th of March for operational training before being assigned to the fleet.

John and Richard Moffitt, sons of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. "Vic" Moffitt of McMinnville recently had the good fortune to run into each other in a foreign port. Needless to say they had a lot of things to talk over.

John has written his parents that he has been getting the *Oregon State Employee* and enjoys it very much. He has been operating a crane on a floating dry dock in the Philippines—been ashore only once in four months.

Richard is assigned to a troop trans-
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