

## Service News

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34 months active duty in the African and Italian theaters, where he served with a tank corps battalion. While home, Bernard was married to Miss Bethal Vandermullen, the wedding taking place in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gruis.

Lt. Buck Warfield, former Resident Engineer in LaGrande and Division Office Engineer in Salem, is in China with the Army Engineers. Lt. Warfield saw the first convoy over the Stilwell Road.

Jack Rhodes of the Office Engineering Dept., has been proudly showing off a picture clipped from a magazine in which appeared his brother, Capt. Chas. Rhodes, PRO Pictorial Officer, Ernie Pyle, famous war correspondent and columnist, Lt. Ross Hazeltine, PRO writer, and Lt. G. K. Hodenfield, Stars and Stripes Correspondent. Capt. Chas. Rhodes has charge of photography work for Gen. Hodges 1st Army, and has

had some pretty rugged experiences while attached thereto.

Pfc. Marshall (Kelly) Palmer of Manzanita, returned to the States April 15. He was wounded by a mortar shell, a result of which he lost a leg. This is Kelly's second wound. He was awarded the Purple Heart with an oak leaf cluster.

T/5 Alfred W. Bates is in Germany. In a very interesting letter to J. H. Scott, Al spoke of seeing moving pictures which were taken on the beach at Neah-kah-mie showing the Coast Guard working the War Dogs. He said it gave him quite a thrill. Bates says he was stationed in a Baron's Castle but he would prefer a modern shack in Oregon.

Sgt. Chas. W. Dugan (Wayne as we all know him) spent six months in London and landed in Paris two weeks after its liberation. Since then he has been in Italy and Belgium and when last heard of was C.O. of his unit somewhere in France. He said the French people were friendly and that he got along well using sign language.

While in London he was in at least one major bombing. A bomb landed about two blocks away. Wayne said he could understand why some people get gray hair.

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