

I had another very exciting day at Apenhiena where we crossed the Rhine. Our task force was the first one across so we went right along with them. Some of the larger towns we took on that drive were Frankfort, Erfert, Gotha, Jenna, Lipzig and to within 15 miles of Dresden where we stopped and let the Russians take over. We then started for Czech and Austria where we were told to pull into an area for the night. This was the night of May 3rd. Next morning they told us to sit tight and wait for the war to end which we did gladly. So when they officially announced it, it wasn't surprising news but just plain good.

I have five bronze campaign stars for being in all the engagements of the Third Army.

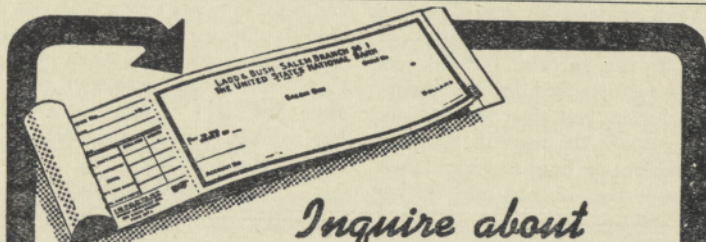
The most exciting of all was the counting of our points. For me it wasn't so good. I have a total of 65, which is good, but not good enough to get out on. I don't suppose I will be home until after I've made a trip to the C.B.I."

Eleven Public Utilities Commission men are being welcomed home after extensive service with the armed forces. Some are already back to work, with a few still on terminal leave.

Capt. Jim Haley was discharged from the Army the first part of January, 1946 after serving over three and a half years. He was attached to the Signal Corps as a Radar Officer and saw action in the E.T.O. and Pacific theatres of war. He is Communication Engineer with the Public Utilities Commission with headquarters in Salem.

Don E. Devlin, former court reporter with the examiner's department, returned to his desk the first of January after serving in the army as a T/3 in Africa and Italy court reporting for the judge advocate's section. He was discharged in November after over three years of service.

Lt. Jack McCullough returned to the Commission late in December, 1945 after being released from the Navy.



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