

Gaston Soldier Wins Promotion in Islands

WITH THE 25th INFANTRY (Tropic Lightning) DIVISION ON LUSON, an infantryman with the 25th division of the veteran 25th division on Luzon island in the Philippines, Sgt. Ralph O. Gaston, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Gaston, has been promoted to staff sergeant while in action on Northern Luzon.

A veteran of 37 months' overseas service, Sgt. Gaston fought with the 25th division on Guadalcanal and the Northern Solomon Islands, and served in Hawaii, New Zealand and New Caledonia before entering action on Luzon. Since landing at Lingayen Gulf on the western shores of Luzon last January, the 25th division fought the Japs for 165 consecutive days on the central plains and in the Cagayan mountains, where they captured Balate pass and Santa Fe, opening the only southern land route to the vast Cagayan valley.

The unloaded gun and the tame bull cause hundreds of "accidental" deaths. All are prevented.

Former Resident Visits McKinley-Elmonica

McKINLEY-ELMONICA — Mrs. Viola Townsend of Portland, who lived in this community for a number of years, was calling on friends Monday. She is a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Gates of Hillsboro. Mrs. Townsend is improved in health, following a major operation.

Surprise Parents

Cpl. Norman Bradley, who has been stationed for some time at the weather base at Ft. Hays, surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bradley of near Hillsboro, with a three-day visit last week. He has been transferred to North Carolina. His visit here coincided with a visit from his cousin, Miss Ellen Reed of Cheyenne, Wyo., who was en route to Seattle to visit friends.

Sgt. Burke Discharged

T. Sgt. Wilbur Burke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burke, Sr., of the field, received his discharge from the army on July 3. He was in service about three years, serving in New Guinea and Australia.



COMMISSIONED — J. W. Streicher, Jr., who was recently promoted to ensign in the navy. He graduated through nine years in the navy. He is on a minesweeper.

Graduate of Hilhi Receives Advance

Word has just been received that Ensign Robert Connett has been promoted to lieutenant (j.g.). Robert, enlisted in the navy in 1939 after graduating from Hillsboro high school. He lived with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyers of Hillsboro, while attending school.

Lt. Connett has seen active duty in the Pacific, including the battles of Midway and the Coral Sea. He was also at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed by the Japanese. Two years of that time he was with the 41st division in New Guinea, and more recently was stationed at Camp Rupert, Idaho, where he was guard in the prisoner of war camp. He reported back to Camp Adair Sunday night.

Sgt. Burke Visits Home

Sgt. Philip S. Burke and wife visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burke of Juxon, last week-end. Philip has been in service for five years. Two years of that time he was with the 41st division in New Guinea, and more recently was stationed at Camp Rupert, Idaho, where he was guard in the prisoner of war camp. He reported back to Camp Adair Sunday night.

Rice Wins Award

FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND, Philippines, has awarded G. Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rice, Hillsboro, has been awarded the army air force airplane mechanic badge. He is with an air service squadron of the fifth air force service command in the Philippines. Rice has been overseas five months.

Everett is First Lieut.

Will Everett, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Everett, was promoted in June to first lieutenant according to indirect word received by his parents. He is now on Okinawa, and has evidently been flying over Japan, according to his letters.

Local Men Meet

Vincent Phelps, MM 1/c, met Capt. Lyle Oakes, also of Hillsboro, at Zamboanga, Philippine Islands, recently, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orange Phelps. Capt. Oakes was on his way back to the States after continuing service in the South Pacific since March, 1942.

Capt. Abts in Hospital

Capt. James Abts of Hillsboro is in a general hospital in the South Pacific recuperating from an attack of yellow jaundice, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Abts. He has been overseas 40 months, going over with the 41st division.

Dale Busch on Furlough

A/S Dale Busch will return to Luke Field at Phoenix, Arizona, Sunday after spending a two weeks' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Busch of Hillsboro.

Ritter Is Grandson

In the story last week about Howard E. Ritter, S. 1/c, he was listed as a son of Mrs. Elizabeth Ritter Rowe. Instead of a grandson of Mrs. Rowe. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ritter of route 1, Hillsboro.

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V-5 Program in Navy Open Now

The navy's famous V-5 program for flight training is open again to 17-year-old boys, the naval aviation cadet selection board, 117 Marion street, Seattle, and 429 Park building, Portland, announced this week.

Applicants must graduate from high school before October 1 and be able to pass a flight physical examination and aptitude tests. The examinations may be taken at any time at the above offices, the navy said. Boys living outside Seattle and Portland may write the board, and if basically qualified arrangements will be made for their examinations, the navy said.

Recruits will be sent to college November 1 for two or three terms and then assigned to flight training as naval aviation cadets. Flight training will include 26 weeks of pre-flight school, 16 weeks of primary training at a naval air station, and 16 to 20 weeks of intermediate training at Pensacola, Fla., or Corpus Christi, Texas. Graduates will be commissioned as officers in the naval reserve or marine corps reserve. The aeronautical education has been valued at \$27,000 per cadet by the navy.

The naval aviation preparatory training program involves the most thorough and complete flight training offered anywhere in the world.

Lt. Comdr. J. Green Jr., director of the board, said, "Naval training, because of its thoroughness, prepares cadets for a post-war aviation career as well. When these boys fly with the navy they fly with the men who invented dive bombing, indirect planes, the catapult and the aircraft carrier."

European Veteran Home on Furlough

Ft. John Gorman, a veteran of the European fighting, arrived from overseas last Thursday to spend a 30-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Marion Gorman, and sister, Virginia. At the end of his furlough he will report to Camp Shelby, Miss., with the 55th cavalry troop for re-deployment. Overseas for six months, he wears two battle stars.

His brother, Lt. William Gorman, is with the army air forces.

The Weather

(By A. W. Moore of U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, Co-operative Weather Observer)

	Max.	Min.	Prec.
July 11	83	50	.00
July 12	92	48	.00
July 13	90	49	.00
July 14	82	52	.00
July 15	72	45	.00
July 16	72	56	.00
July 17	73	41	.00

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DECORATED — T. S. Elwood R. Colett, husband of Mrs. Meryl Colett and son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Colett of Hillsboro, who has been awarded silver star at Salzburg, Austria, for gallantry in action.

County Juniors Lose In District Playoff

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his second of the game. Waibel, batting for Holzner, hit one over third and the baseman made a one-handed catch for the second out of the inning. Kane crashed out a double to score Byers and Soem but in its ace pitcher "Cowboy" Carroll, Hennick was hit by a pitched ball. Then Catcher Jensen came through with a double to score Kane and Hennick and ended the thrilling game.

VanDornen of Forest Grove and Province of Salem, both pitch-

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(Not necessarily news)

Without Carl calling Jack Searcy "Navy out," George Patton Searcy Oscar Hagg relaxing... Paul Menagat explaining program... Tony Abis suggesting different wearing apparel... Clyde Yount completing his haying.

George Laver winning golf honors... Albert Meier calling attention to a frost on the morning of July 17... Harold Meyer and Hattie Ireland helping find a telephone number.

Bill Christensen reportedly trying out the rocket at Jantzen beach... John Ryan looking at revolver in Argus window... Herb Nelson being a "grease monkey" at Searcy's.

Emma Ferland surprising her "surprise" guests... Linnie Thomas feeling pleased that she is a carpenter's assistant.

ed good games. VanDornen striking out five, walking three and yielding nine hits. Province struck out nine, walked five and allowed eight hits.

Second game	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
FOR LAWRENCE						
Notting, if	5	0	1	1	0	0
Hewell, 2nd	4	0	1	0	3	0
Hewell, 3rd	4	0	1	0	3	0
Byers, ss	5	1	2	1	4	0
Holzner, cf	5	0	2	0	1	0
Kane, 1st	3	0	2	0	1	0
Hennick, rf	3	2	1	0	0	0
Jensen, c	4	0	2	5	2	0
VanDornen, p	4	0	0	0	2	0
Waibel, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	36	5	9	27	15	0

SALEM	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
McKinney, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Hendrick, 2nd	4	1	2	5	4	0
Russell, 1st	3	1	1	0	0	0
Duke, 1st	4	0	0	10	0	0
Austin, if	4	1	0	0	0	0
Valts, 3rd	3	1	2	1	1	2
Craig, ss	2	0	1	0	1	0
Alison, c	4	0	1	8	1	0
Province, p	3	0	0	1	5	0
Carroll, p	9	0	0	0	0	0
	30	4	9	26	12	2

Hite Transferred

Pvt. Ernest J. Hite has been transferred to the signal corps from the infantry. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hite of route 2, Tigard.

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