

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing

SEATTLE, Wash., March 25—Lt. Floyd J. Baumgartner, route six, Salem Ore., advanced another step when he received notice of his promotion from second to first lieutenant at the Seattle port of embarkation, where he has been on duty for the past several months.

Lt. Baumgartner entered the army in April, 1941 as a private at Fort Lewis, Wash. He served in Washington and Oregon and was commissioned a second lieutenant at Camp Lee, Va., July 27, 1942.

He graduated from Salem high school and was a student at Willamette university at Salem. Just prior to entering the service he was employed by Reid, Murdock & Co., of Salem.

William E. Johnson expects soon to complete an army signal school course which he has been taking at the university in Urbana, Ill., according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Johnson, 261 South 23rd street. Kenneth E. Johnson, a brother of William, is a radio man, third class, on a naval destroyer. He has been in the navy for over a year. The father, a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is a member of the Salem fire department.

Leland D. Adams, member of the 385th air base squadron at Great Falls, Mont., was promoted to the grade of corporal on March 11. Cpl. Adams is the son of Mrs. Mary Adams, 123 SE 11th avenue, Portland, who formerly was the Statesman correspondent at Rickreall. The corporal already had graduated from Sheppard field air school, Texas, and a special school at the Boeing aircraft in Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Brown of West Salem have learned of the graduation of their youngest son, Pfc. Keith A. Brown, from the air corps clerical school in Jonesboro, Ark. Pfc. Brown is now located at Bukley field, Colo.

Graduation of Second Lt. David E. Thompson, 24-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Thompson of Salem, from reserve officers' class at Quantico, Va., was announced by the marine corps Thursday.

His completion of the course, second phase of his officer train-



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ing with the marines, climaxed six months of instruction at the Virginia base and made him eligible for assignment to a combat unit or a specialists' school.

Lieutenant Thompson has been with the marines since January, 1942, when he enlisted as a private. He saw nine months of service in the ranks and had attained the rating of private first class when chosen for officer training last October. He won his commission in December.

The officer is a 1941 graduate of the University of Hawaii. He attended the University of Nevada for two years before going to

Hawaii, and was affiliated with Alpha Tau Omega fraternity there. During his training days, Lieutenant Thompson qualified as a sharpshooter with the .30 caliber rifle and the .45 caliber pistol and as a marksman with the Browning automatic rifle.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson live at 981 North Winter street.

Pvt. Fred Andrews, former Statesman photographer, now assigned to the photographic section of the army signal corps at Camp Crowder, Mo., is spending a 12-day furlough in Salem visiting his wife and baby daughter.

J. W. Kelly, stationed in the Aleutian Islands with the navy's Seabees, has been promoted to senior lieutenant. Lt. Kelly, who received his first commission in May, 1942, is a graduate of the Oregon State college engineering department. The son of Kelly Moore, he worked in the state engineering department before entering the armed forces.

Second Lt. Robert T. French, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde F. French, 1745 South Church street, has been stationed at the San Antonio pre-flight school in California. Lt. French, who was commissioned on March 3, 1942, attended Willamette university from 1938 to 1941. He was a paper maker and student while a civilian.

Joseph H. Bielenberg, son of Mrs. M. A. Bielenberg, Scotts Mills, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the army when he graduated last Saturday from the officer candidate school at Fort Knox, Ky.

Duane Robison, gunner's mate second class in the US navy, has left Salem for the east coast after visiting his parents and sister at 20 Beech avenue for several weeks. Duane, a survivor of the USS Chicago, has seen much action in the Pacific area.

Bill Robison, younger brother of Duane, is receiving his first army air corps training at Lincoln, Neb. He graduated from Salem high school last spring.

Charles C. Cunningham, army air cadet who graduated Thursday from the navy advanced flying school at Napier Field, Ala., was commissioned a second lieutenant in the army air forces. Lt. Cunningham, the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cunningham, 345 East Miller street, attended Willamette university until September, 1940. Last June he was accepted for pilot training.

Edwin Eugene Powers, 18, who graduated from Aumsville high school in 1942, visited his mother, Mrs. Ed Powers, for a short time before going to San Diego, Calif., for marine training. Powers, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Powers, jr., of Aumsville, and the grandson of E. W. Powers, sr., of Salem, enlisted in the marine corps last week.

Pfc. Joseph Vlasick, husband of Mae Vlasick, route five, box 958, Salem, has arrived at the army air force technical training command post at Scott Field, Ill., where he will receive an intensive course in radio operating and mechanics to prepare him for duty as a member of a fighting bomber crew.

Pvt. Al Currey, son of Mrs. Olive Currey, Salem, has been promoted to private first class. Pfc. Currey has graduated with honors from the link trainer school at Chanute Field, Ill.

Lt. Eugene Strickland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Strickland, has arrived in northwest Africa, according to word received by his parents. Lt. Strickland, of the postal division, was inducted into the army January 16, 1942. He re-

ceived his commission upon graduation from the adjutant general's school at Fort Washington, Md. He reports the trip across "enjoyable and without incident."

Paul Pierce, chief carpenter's mate in the navy's "Seabees," is well and happy while serving on an island base, according to word received here. Pierce was employed by Crown Willamette Paper company for nine years.

WEST SALEM—Walter Johnson 520 Kingwood avenue, who was discharged from a training division because of ill health, has been ordered to report to Camp Lewis for a checkup.

Harold Dalke, who is in the naval medical corps, has been transferred from Seattle to Portland.

Floyd Rudie, a member of the marines, has been transferred from Indian Island to Tongue Point.

JEFFERSON—Mrs. S. H. Goin has received word that her grandson, Cloyd Dungan, who spent several summers on the Goin's ranch, now is on active duty in the navy working toward a pharmacist rating. He is the son of Mrs. Georgia Bell of Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shields have received word from their cousin, Dr. A. B. Shields, that he has arrived safely overseas in northwest Africa and is busy in an evacuation hospital. He was with the Portland clinic before his enlistment in the medical corps. They had not heard from their cousin since December.

FOX VALLEY—Dick Shepherd, who is stationed at Farragut, Idaho, was a guest Monday at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Griffin. Shepherd was an employee of the Murphy Logging company, working under Griffin, before he joined the navy. He is spending his leave with his parents in Mill City.

GERVAIS—Maurice Stopk left Monday for a Pacific coast port to board his ship after spending a week's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stopk.

Martin Jake Andreas, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Andreas, who is in the navy, is spending part of his leave at the home of his parents.

Accepted for enlistment and sent to the US naval training station at Camp Farragut, Idaho, are the following who applied at the Salem naval recruiting office: Robert Earl Rentschler, Salem; James Howard McEwen, Robert Leslie Hamre, both of Silverton; Magnus Nyverson of Dallas; Julian David Nixon of Aumsville, and Donald Clifford Wright of Silverton.

James Olson, musician second class in the navy, is spending ten days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Olson, 115 Wesley street, Silverton. Olson enlisted November 30, and has completed his training at Camp Farragut. He has been assigned to the station band at Camp Bessie. He was graduated from Silverton high school and won honors with the band.

PLEASANTDALE—Cpl. John Stephens of Camp Adair visited Sunday at the Nichols home. He is a relative of theirs, his home before the war being Iowa.

FAIRVIEW—Eino Setala, after a short furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kuuti Setala, left Saturday morning by train from Salem for an unknown station.

Edwin Rasika is overseas, according to word just received in Fairview.

WHEATLAND—Chandler Fowler, marine who is seeing action overseas, ended his nine-days furlough which he was spending with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fowler, and returned this week to duty.

Entertain Club
DAYTON — Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hess entertained 23 members of the Townsend club Monday. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lorette.

Around Oregon

By The Associated Press
A class in forestry at the University of Oregon to train townspeople for lookout service and fire fighting duties is being sponsored by Willamette national forest officials.

N. C. Donaldson, state AAA executive, warned at Corvallis that March 31 is the deadline for farmers to file applications for payment earned under the soil building or wheat phases of last year's agricultural conservation program. . . . Marlin M. Fox, Molalla, president of the Clackamas Jersey Cattle club, said the club is extolling the county's advantages as a breeding center for purebred dairy stock through a series of national advertisements. . . .

Death came to Leicester B. Atkins, 53, Portland customs inspector. . . . Workmen on a bucking crew at Camp Draper, near Glenwood, are using their own honey on their flapjacks—they found a hive in a tree they cut open. . . .

Grain Products, Inc., purchased equipment of the defunct Carver winery at Oregon City for use in a grain alcohol plant at Heppner. Oregon State college announced it will participate in the nationwide testing program April 2 for selection of officer material for the armed forces.

Rubber Crops 'Promising'

CHICAGO, March 25—(AP)—Developments of domestic natural rubber producing plants coupled with synthetic production promises to make United States self sufficient in all its rubber requirements, members of the national farm chemurgic council were told Wednesday.

Chemurgic groups, composed principally of farmers, industrialists and scientists, were told that research workers accidentally had discovered literally hundreds of

types of synthetic rubber, some of which have been found adaptable for new uses heretofore never associated with rubber.

Dr. H. L. Trumbull, research expert for the B. F. Goodrich company, named the three most likely sources of natural rubber for domestic cultivation as Kok Sagyz, the rubber bearing dandelion from Russia, which was tested planted in 100 different locations last year; the Guayule shrub, which is being grown in quantity in semi-tropical areas of southwest; and the Cryptostegia vine, another plant which thrives in semi-tropical areas.

Gasoline Use Off One-Fifth

Gasoline use in Oregon dropped off 22 per cent during the month of February this year, figures released by Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, jr., reported Thursday.

year the decrease amounts to 25 per cent. Taxes paid on gasoline consumed in Oregon for the first two months of this year amount to \$1,381,272.00.

During February, gasoline consumption in Oregon totaled 14,611,922 gallons, compared to 18,844,892 gallons in February of 1942. The decrease was slightly less than in January when it dropped 29 per cent below the 1942 figure. For the first two months of the

Dayton Flax Co-op Orders 1943 Seed

DAYTON — All seven of the Dayton cooperative flax plant directors attended a business meeting Tuesday. Reports of progress are the completion of a cement floor 25 by 25 feet in the boiler room and moving tools in for work room.

About 30 tons of tow has been baled and sold to a Portland paper firm. Seed for sowing local fields has been ordered for the 1943 crop. G. E. Bixler, manager, reports splendid results being accomplished despite war priorities.

Intend to Keep Profit

WASHINGTON, March 25—(AP)—Describing the 1941 voyages carrying war materials for the British to the Red sea as "a bargain freely entered into which turned out profitably" for the shipping lines, a spokesman for six of the lines involved served notice Wednesday they had no intention of acceding voluntarily to suggestions for return of some of the profits.

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