

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing

Treasured possession of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Russell, route one, box 7m, Salem, is a clipping from an Australian paper lauding the patience, ability and loyalty of the Scorpions artillery battalion of which their son, Cpl. Merrill M. Russell is a member.

The newspaper story is the dramatic recounting of the after-effects of a shipwreck that left the battalion "sitting on the tidal mud of the Australian coast while all their belongings and equipment reposed beneath the sea in the hull of a damaged ship."

Attacked by enemy bombers, the vessel's plates were sprung and twisted and she sank rapidly. "Jap planes continued to bomb and strafe the deck of the sinking vessel, so the captain ran the ship aground."

Wading ashore to comparative safety, the soldiers and sailors discovered that they could be safe and still be uncomfortable and useless. Trained artillerymen, they thought, could not be of much service without their artillery, which was aboard ship.

"The situation might become embarrassing and not because they didn't have pants," the Australian newspaper commented. Under other conditions they might have called for assistance for themselves and let marine salvagers save what they could on the ship, but they knew of no other equipment than that they had apparently abandoned.

Working at night, so that the enemy could not discover what was happening they patched and pumped and drained and cleaned until in a matter of two months' time the ship was once again shipshape, and their guns were ready to take ashore.

"This all accomplished, they were all set to take on the Nips, and they still are," comments the writer, adding that "Incidentally, that ship is still sailing some one or other of the seven seas."

Robert W. Hartley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartley, expects to spend an Easter furlough in Salem with his wife and parents. Hartley is stationed at Ford Worden, Wash.

First Class Petty Officer Dale Smith has been in Salem as a visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don C. Smith, and with his wife, the former Margaret Sorahan, who is living in Salem. Smith has been on submarine service with the navy since 1940 and reports having been in Japanese waters at least twice. He is a former Willamette university man. His brother, Lt. Don Smith, is in the signal corps, now stationed in Africa.

Pvt. Dean Davenport has been transferred from Camp Cook, Calif., to Fort Riley, Kan., and has changed from the quartermaster corps to the mechanized cavalry. He is the son of Mrs. Olga Davenport and William Davenport of Salem. His wife will live in Kansas while he is stationed there.

Mrs. Grace Carlson of Salem has learned that her son, Ralph Benjamin Reasoner, has been commissioned a second lieutenant at Fort Benning, Ga., after a three month officer training course. Lt. Reasoner, a sergeant in the 323rd infantry before attending officers' school, was inducted last June.

Word was received in Salem that Corp. Jack F. Daniels has



CPL. MERRIAL M. RUSSELL



DALE SMITH

designed a new standard for the 306th medical battalion which was approved by the adjutant general of the war department and adopted formally by the commander of the battalion at a ceremony recently. Corp. Daniels, a nephew of Helen Leisi of Salem, has visited her many times here. He is a son of Marie Leisi Daniels of San Francisco and has been a free lance artist in San Francisco be-

fore enlisting. He is in the medical battalion and is now stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala.

SMITHFIELD—Eugene Inman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Inman, writes from New Guinea that he is still healthy. He received a weekly newspaper, the Itemizer-Observer, a Christmas edition, in February and took a whole night to read it through to the finish. He mailed this letter on March 26 and it arrived here on Monday, April 12.

WEST SALEM—Capt. Charles Unruh from Ft. Stevens visited at his home over last weekend.

SUNNYSIDE—Cpl. Harold Carey, who was home on a ten day furlough to visit his wife and daughter, left Sunday for Tomopah, Nev., where he now is stationed.

JEFFERSON—Clifford Beach, son of Mr. Ray Beach, who is in the navy stationed at Farragut, Idaho, is home on an eight day furlough.

His brother, Pvt. Leroy Beach, is stationed at Camp Hood, Texas, training with the tank destroyers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Costelow received word from their son, Jack, who has been ill in the naval hospital at Alameda, Calif., that he has recovered and recently has been transferred to the naval training air corps school at Memphis, Tenn.

Friends and relatives of Oregon men being inducted into the army have been invited to be present at the induction ceremonies which conclude the day-long process of selection for service.

The invitation is extended by Colonel J. J. Fulmer, commanding officer of the Oregon recruiting and induction district. In order to honor these men who are to fight for their country, Colonel Fulmer has arranged ceremonies which include farewell talks to the inductees by civic and business leaders of Oregon.

These swearing-in rites are held in the auditorium of the seven-story building at 614 SW 11th avenue in Portland, which is now the joint induction headquarters for all the armed services.

After advancing over the North Africa deserts, shoulder to shoulder with British troops,

an American officer with the forces of Gen. Patton, writes his Salem father that "Tommy Atkins" is tops.

"At one time or another the British army may be crushed, smashed, destroyed and driven to the ground, but the Tommies never will be beaten. They will rise again, and truly, the last battle will be theirs. As long as one Englishman lives, England will be free," said First Lt. "Chuck" Wood in a letter to his father, Charles L. Wood, who is connected with the public utilities commissioner's office and lives at 455 South High street.

Censuring his own letter, Lt. Wood did not allow himself to reveal his location in Africa or any other war information. His letter speaks of a good record that his battalion "has under its belt" in Africa.

He deplored the attitude of many Americans toward the British, saying, "American soldiers blush with shame at the stories and jokes being told to discount the courage of the British soldier."

He told of nine truckloads of Christmas articles that got through to the men in his sector. Among the gifts the lieutenant received on his station at the North Africa battle front was a lace table cloth. He is sending it home.

PORTLAND, April 15 (AP)—Cecil L. Calahan, Lebanon, was among new navy recruits announced here Thursday.

PENNEY'S



Fashioned With Your Spring Urge In Mind
NEW FROCKS

3.98

- Flowered Patterned
 - Rayon Bombergal
- Every line, every detail of these smart frocks, are as new and sparkling as spring itself! Soft rayon bombergal, gayly flowered in soft colors... in smart dressmaker, button-front styles! Sizes 12-20, 38-44.



Bright Plaids! Smart Tweeds!
SPORT JACKETS

Spring Colors
Fine Tailoring **6.90**

The correct odd jacket is important this spring! Three button styles, Rayon-and-wool! Precisely cut. 12-20.

New Smartly Pleated Styles!
SPRING SKIRTS

Gay Plaids
Solid Colors **3.98**

One new skirt can make a new wardrobe! Fine rayon-and-wool, smartly cut! 24-32.

White Or Pastel Shades!
RAYON BLOUSES

1.29

Crisply tailored casual styles... or dainty, sheer types for dressy wear! Many colors! 32 to 40.

Statesman News Editor, 'Win' Taylor, in Army

The Statesman this week is giving up one of its editorial employees to the army and getting another back from the navy. Winston H. Taylor, who has had charge of The Statesman news desk, has quit his blue pencil and typewriter and will leave today for induction into the army at the Fort Lewis, Wash., reception center.

His place has been taken by Frank Herbert, former Statesman photographer-reporter, who received a medical discharge from the navy last month as a result of an accidental injury received in training. Enlisting in the navy last year as a yeoman, third class, Herbert had advanced to photographer's mate, second class, when the injury sent him to Portsmouth naval hospital, near Norfolk, Va., for two months early this year.

Taylor joined the Statesman staff as a proof reader in September, 1938. He became city hall reporter in June, 1941, and succeeded William H. VanNatta as news editor in March, 1942. Carrying on part-time studies at Willamette at the same time, he retained senior standing this year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Taylor. His father is a former Dayton publisher and now a Statesman linotype operator.

Young Taylor was active in affairs of the First Methodist church and a leader in student church activities in Oregon.

With Taylor, The Statesman will have contributed 14 of its employees directly to military and allied wartime services. The list includes three in the navy, two in

the marines, five in the army ground forces, one in the army air corps, one in the merchant marine and one in the war-expanded federal bureau of investigation.

Salem Pastor Talks to Lions

In an address to the Salem Lions club Thursday noon, Rev. David Nielsen, pastor of the First Congregational church, stated that Christianity and democracy in their highest forms are closely allied. Rev. Nielsen asserted that Americans should gain a world outlook in order to fulfill their responsibilities in a democratic nation.

The pastor mentioned the fact that, although free speech is a precious heritage of a democracy, citizens should beware of false ideals. Rev. Nielsen reminded his listeners that peace does not auto-



WINSTON TAYLOR

matically follow the cessation of hostilities.

Easter AT PENNEY'S

THIS YEAR IT'S SMART IF IT'S USEFUL

Certainly you've got lots of things on your mind besides new clothes: food rationing, gas and fuel shortage, longer hours of hard work, War Bond buying, letters to your men in service. But clothes are important, too. You've got to keep looking smart and fit to meet your wartime problems with head high and spirit undaunted. Easter is a good time to plan your clothes year—and Penney's is a good place to get the kind of wartime clothes you should have!

Here's Your Easter Hat!

Be Smart This Spring With A Really Gay Hat!

MISSES' SPRING STRAWS

A new hat is just the right thing to lift your spirits! You'll find life brighter the minute you see these lovely new sailors that are crisp and shining... the tiny calots that are a mass of flowers... and the pompadour types that sit gayly on your head to show off your new hair-do! You'll find discreet berets and conservative off-face styles for your suits! Grand choice of colors, too!

1.98

SECOND FLOOR

Flowered Beret
Smartly Tailored Or Flowered!
SPRING HATS
2.98

Chin-lifters every one! Your step will be lighter and your head higher the second you try on one of these delightful new padre sailors, or smart flowered heart-shaped bonnets! Many other styles with feather or ruching trimming!

Pip-Brimmed Suiter
Beret Beauty
Prim Pompadour
Slick Sailor
Heart Bonnet

Small Fry, Too, Join The Easter Parade!
GIRLS' NEW HATS
Crisp Spring Straws
Soft Pastel Felts **1.49**

Hats that will win her heart! Big wide-eyed bonnets, saucy sailors and soft breton rollers with all the ribbons and flowers little girls love! Springtime colors.

Color In Your Accessories!
SPRING GLOVES
98c

Trim little shortie styles to wear with your suits, or a gracious long length for dress wear. All smartly stitched! Soft suede-like fabrics in lovely Easter colors!

Complete Your Outfit!
Smart HANDBAGS
2.98

Each one styled with all the tricks of the season! Wonderful big pouches, slim envelope styles to tuck underarm, or good looking top-handle types. Attractive shades!

Flower-Like Wisps!
HANDKERCHIEFS
23c

Big cotton squares just strewn with spring flowers to bloom from your pocket or peek from your bag. Lovely sheer batiste in an extra large size. You'll want several!

Sheer Flattery For Spring
RAYON HOSIERY
00c

Sleek-looking with a clear dull finish that smart hosiery demands! Dressy sheers or heavier services weights so practical for everyday wear! Complimentary shades.

MAIN FLOOR

MEAT IS RATIONED... BUT WE HAVE your SHARE

LARD Open Kettle Rendered **17 1/2c** lb.

FRESHLY GROUND BEEF **29c** lb.

Hams Whole or Part LB. 37c	Mutton Choice Cut Chops LB. 25c	Sirloin Beef Steak LB. 32c
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CHOICE PORK STEAKS **35c** lb.

Sausage Country style. **29c** Lb.

Sauerkraut Very tasty. Qt. **15c**

Point Value Reduced
Sausage Items Require Only 5 Points Per Pound

Frankfurts
Bologna or
Liverwurst **23c** lb.

Salem's Best Meat Values

KAMPFER BROTHERS 170 North Commercial