

# Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



Major Kenneth H. Black, US marines, son of Mrs. Harriet J. Black, of Salem, who has been officially commended by Admiral William F. Halsey, commander of the south Pacific area, for outstanding service as materiel officer for allied units in the Solomons area last winter. The marine pilot is a graduate of Oregon State college. His wife, Mrs. Lillian W. Black lives at LaJolla, Calif. In the letter of commendation, Admiral Halsey wrote that Captain Black had consolidated many independent procurement agencies into one and arranged a constant flow of supplies into the one central agency. The commander went on to list other acts which Captain Black had performed beyond regular duty. In conclusion he said, "His conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States naval service."

**GERVAIS**—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cutsforth have received a letter from their son, Rex, somewhere in Australia, in which he tells of the customs there. He says, "I am now cooking and cutting meat for our company and like it. I pinch hit at cooking when one of the boys is on pass. My work calls for lots of night work and I work by lantern light as we haven't got our lights in yet. While cutting meat the other night, the captain, who had just come from the horse races, stopped in to talk and I found out that he is from Corvallis. His name is Capt. Whiteside."

"We get lots of hind quarters of beef. In fact that is about all we have had so far. We have had pork twice, once a hog and a half and once a whole one. They weigh around 120 to 130 pounds and look odd. Their bacon has part of the shoulder on it including the front hock. Their hams are trimmed similar to ours. As luck would have it we haven't had any lamb so far, but the Aussies tell us that if we would get some that had been fed on nitchel grass, there would be no strong flavor. Their beef is better fed on that grass. They do not put up hay here but graze all the year around."

"When on pass the other day two of us had a meal that cost only about 45 cents of our money. We had hamburger and French fries, coffee, milk, combination salad, bread, butter, ice cream and cake. Not that much for one but for two of us."

"We have seen several wallabies, small kangaroo, around here and one of the boys was run over by one, was not hurt but scared to death. We are also in a snake country. We have one kind which grows about six or seven feet long and no one has ever recovered from the bite of one. It is the third most deadly one in the world. The other day one of the boys came dragging in a lizard five or six feet long. He has the skin tacked up in his hut. "Things are strictly rationed here. They get 114 coupons a year for clothes, sheets, towels, blankets and most everything made of cloth; 14 coupons for a pair of shoes; two for a pair of socks. Most people wear no stockings. They have no spices, only salt and cinnamon. Beer is rationed; 60 per cent for civilians and then the soldiers on pass come to town and try to drink up the 40 per cent left for the civilians. The Aussies cannot buy any of our cigarettes."

"We haven't electricity so another boy and I have invested our pounds in a kerosene iron to do our clothes up for pass. It is an Aladdin product. We also have an Aladdin mantle lamp in our kitchen. People here call flashlights torches."

**SWEGLA**—A letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Menno Dalke from their son, Clayton, tells them of his graduation on September 28 from officers' training school somewhere in Australia, believed to be Brisbane. He now is a second lieutenant and has changed

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companies. He was one of Salem's national guardsmen who were called into service first and was on duty in New Guinea when sent for special training. One of the first pleasant experiences of the men of his class on graduation night was to escort a company of US army nurses who had just arrived in Australia that day. After two years of army life, he appreciates the different life of an officer from an enlisted man, the few extra privileges meaning much, he wrote.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Clark have been enjoying a visit from their son T. Sgt. William D. Clark, who has recently returned to the states after 30 months service with the army air corps in the Aleutians. Following his furlough here, Sgt. Clark will report to his new station at Tallahassee, Florida.

Lieutenant Otto J. Wilson, Jr., is visiting this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Otto J. Wilson, on West Washington street. Lt. Wilson is stationed at Camp Grant, Illinois with the army motor transportation.

Fred Lasse, hospital attendant second class, USN, has been spending a leave in Salem with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David J. Lasse. He has been at the training station at Farragut, Ida., and at Treasure Island since entering the service.

Floyd Brodthagen arrived in Salem Sunday morning from Los Angeles. There he attended UCLA naval training unit and will leave Thursday for Norfolk, Va., for further training. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brodthagen, route 7, Salem.

Fvt. John Robert Moses, 26, of Salem, son of D. R. Moses, Vancouver, Wash., has reported to OCU in Oklahoma for a course of army air force instruction which will last about five months. He will then receive an appointment as an aviation cadet in the army air forces.

First Sgt. Jose Faria, retired, who has resided in Oregon for several months, is leaving Salem today for Orlando, Fla. Since his discharge last July from active service, he has been working as a civil service employe in the department of quartermaster at Camp Adair. He secured his transfer to be with his son, T/Sgt. James Faria, who is stationed at the air base at Orlando. First Sgt. Faria has seen more than 30 years of active service and was given a mark of "excellent" on his record. Though he has been all over the United States during his years of service he prefers Oregon and plans to return to make his home here in the future.



John E. (Bill) Marr has returned to the USNTS at Farragut, Ida., after spending a 15-day leave in Salem with his wife, Dolores, and small son, Gary. Mr. Marr expects to attend radio technician's school in the near future. Other members of Mr. Marr's family in the service are Captain C. E. Madsen, who is in St. Louis; M/Sgt. A. E. Madsen, aerial gunner, stationed in Florida; Pharmacist Mate 1st class, David W. Madsen, in the Pacific with the USN; Seaman 2/c Robert B. Marr, in the south Pacific; and Corporal Florence Madsen, with the Women's Marine corps.

Mrs. Dora Stanton has received word that her son, Ted, has reported to Chicago with the US navy. He was inducted in the navy this month. Her other son, Warren is with the US army air corps in Denver.

Sgt. Leslie J. Corey has notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Corey, of his safe arrival in England. He is serving with the army air corps and was formerly stationed at Rome, New York.

**GRAND ISLAND**—James Rockhill, training with the army, has been convalescing in the hospital at Vancouver, Wash., following an appendectomy but has been released on a 30-day furlough which he is spending with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rockhill.

Howard Rockhill, training with the army also, has been transferred to Fort Robinson, Neb., according to a letter received by his parents. He recently traveled through several southwestern states.

**BETHEL**—Lt. Cmdr. Madison "Hob" Nichols, construction engineer in the USNR at Galveston, Texas, is being sent to Rhode Island for a conditioning course. This word was received in a letter which he just wrote to his father, J. M. Nichols, and to his sister, Mrs. J. A. Hain.

## Street Lighting In Cities Said Not Adequate

Extremely few cities in the Pacific coast dimout zones are using the full amount of street lighting to which they are entitled under existing dimout regulations, it was reported at the meeting of Oregon, Washington and British Columbia civilian defense officials last weekend in Olympia. Jerrold Owen, Oregon civilian defense coordinator, reported Tuesday.

Owen suggested that city officials consult with civilian defense lighting consultants to determine whether their street lights are carrying the maximum amount of illumination authorized by the army.

"The army feels," Owen said, "that it is being blamed for accidents caused by inadequate lighting, whereas the blame actually rests with the cities themselves."

Two outstanding requests were made by Oregon civilian defense officials at the conference. One sought clarification of the latest ruling on bright outdoor signs in the Portland and Willamette valley areas. The other was the elimination of Marion, Polk, Yamhill and Washington counties from the dimout regulations. Until the western defense command has acted on these requests Owen suggested that bright outdoor signs remain dark.

Owen said the western command officials apparently were impressed with the requests and he predicted that the dimout requirements under previous proclamations would be relaxed.

Any clarification or relaxation order must come from the western defense command with headquarters in San Francisco.

## Judge Denies Ray Ouster

PORTLAND, Oct. 26 (AP)—The AFL International Boilermakers union lost another attempt to force Tom Ray from the leadership of the powerful Portland local.

Circuit Judge Alfred P. Dobson denied another request by attorneys for the international for an injunction to oust Ray as business agent and secretary as ordered by J. A. Franklin, international president, October 11.

Dobson said, however, he might accept a petition for an injunction after a hearing tomorrow on a request by a group of local members for a receiver for the union. This action was brought by men who charged that they were elected officers of the local but refused seats by Ray.

They have accused Ray of holding office illegally, failing to call regular meetings and refusing to issue financial statements.

## Yanks Reach Britain From Nazi Prisons

By JOHN F. CHESTER  
LIVERPOOL, Oct. 25 (AP)—Fourteen war-shattered American soldiers who had been prisoners in Germany arrived at a friendly shore today aboard the British hospital ship Atlantis and the first question one of them asked upon landing was, "how did my doggers make out?"

The baseball fan was Pfc Herbert Ehrlich, Brooklyn, and even word that his beloved bums had finished a poor third in the national league did not ruffle his good spirits.

He said he had gone through the entire Tunisian campaign safely and then was wounded five times and suffered a collapsed lung from the bursting of a mortar shell at Troina, Sicily.

The Amicals, most of whom had lost an arm, or a hand, or a leg, were among 78 Allied soldiers in the group which came from Goeteborg, Sweden, after an exchange of prisoners with Germany. With the din of welcoming gun salutes and whistle blasts still echoing on the Merseyside docks they told from their stretchers and crutches short anecdotes about their injuries and about life in prison camps. Most asserted that they had been well treated.

Staff Sgt. August Tornow, 26, whose parents live in Springfield, Ore., but who last worked as a logger at Mossyback, Wash., was badly wounded in the right hip when the Fortress in which he was tallgamer was shot down at sea after bombing Lorient, France, on his fourth raid.

But he received one of the happiest surprises of all the group who returned. On landing he was given 25 pounds (about \$100) which he had left on his bed before setting out on the Lorient raid.

Tornow said that getting Red Cross parcels in prison camp "was like having Christmas once a week." At Mossburg Americans received a German weekly paper printed in English, he said. The title was "Okay" and the principal article was signed "Overseas Kid."

## Science Academy To Be Organized

CORVALLIS, Oct. 26 (AP)—Oregon scientists will meet here tomorrow to organize the Oregon Academy of Science.

Dr. F. A. Gillilan, dean of science at Oregon State college and chairman of the statewide organizational committee, said a tentative constitution will be presented at the meeting and if accepted, temporary officers will be selected to serve until December when the first annual meeting is planned.

## Army Censors War Prisoner Story by AP

LONDON, Oct. 26 (AP)—Stringent American army censorship trimmed large sections out of a 1000-word dispatch which an Associated Press staff member sent to London from Liverpool today after talking with the first 14 American prisoners of war to be released from Germany.

Army censorship's contention was that nothing should be printed which the German might resent and which might imperil future negotiations for exchange of prisoners.

The instructions enforced by army censors even eliminated material which previously had been reported from interviews with Americans in Sweden enroute from Germany to Britain.

The censorship also deleted remarks almost identical with those appearing in the boldest type on the front pages of London newspapers—remarks made by British prisoners who docked yesterday coming from Germany under the same conditions.

The statements which were eliminated wholesale concerned the treatment of prisoners both inside and outside prison camps, German morale under allied attacks, and the effect of allied air raids.

The American censorship, however, was more severe than the British, and the British people consequently were told more about their returning heroes than were the Americans.

An order from Washington was understood to have been the basis of the censors' actions.

## 40 et 8 Dance Tickets on Sale

Tickets to the benefit dance and entertainment scheduled November 4 at the Salem armory under auspices of the 40 et 8 venture, proceeds to be invested in athletic equipment for Camp Adair, are on sale in four Salem stores, it was announced Tuesday.

The tickets may be obtained at Sears - Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, Fred Meyer and Miller Mercantile company stores.

## Interest Urged For Veterans' Rehabilitation

Every civilian resident of this country can and should interest himself in plans for rehabilitation of injured servicemen, Col. Stewart Arnold, blind veteran of World War I and organizer and commander of the Tillamook guerrillas, told Salem Toastmaster at their meeting Tuesday night.

With his dog, Mack, Arnold is completing a tour of army hospitals in this country, and last night he described some of the experiences he has had meeting the wounded and ill men who may shortly cease to wear military uniform.

W. E. Hansen was toastmaster for the evening, with Virgil T. Golden speaking on "Russia and the Second Front"; William H. Wood on "Troubles of a Canneryman"; Dr. W. J. Stone on "Penicillin"; and W. M. Hamilton on "Is Humility Commendable?"

District Gov. Charles McElhinny and Martin Mockford, Salem club secretary, reported on their attendance at the Portland conference of district No. 7 Sunday, when Ralph Smedley, founder and secretary of Toastmasters International, was honored.

As chairman of table talk,

## Factory Milk Enters Market

EUGENE, Oct. 26 (AP)—Graded factory milk entered the Eugene market today to ease an acute milk shortage.

Selling of factory milk, which will be subjected to constant inspection to prevent lowering of standards, was approved by the city health board as a stop-gap.

Daily shortages have been running as high as 600 gallons and authorities expressed fear that it would reach 1200 gallons by the end of the year.

## Tanker Gervais To Launch Thursday

PORTLAND, Oct. 26 (AP)—The tanker Gervais, fourth in a series named for pioneer Oregon communities, will be launched at the Swan Island shipyard Thursday.

Gervais was founded by Joseph Gervais, who came to Oregon in 1811 with John Jacob Astor's exploring party.

George Moorhead assigned to each member a musical instrument which he was required to describe with illustrations of methods of playing. Dr. Henry Morris was general critic.

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All Other Bonds	\$207,398,950.16	\$304,927,150.46
Loans and Discounts	5,437,683.49	9,343,664.41
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	54,030,792.70	59,665,586.29
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	300,000.00	300,000.00
Other Real Estate	2,710,360.87	2,729,516.61
Other Real Estate	1.00	1.00
Customers' Liability on Acceptances	16,214.24	—
Interest Earned	666,921.99	687,913.38
Other Resources	156,362.03	213,554.04
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES</b>	<b>\$270,717,286.48</b>	<b>\$377,867,386.19</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Capital	\$ 4,500,000.00	\$4,500,000.00
Surplus	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,604,730.28	2,671,546.30
Reserves for Contingencies	1,223,102.94	1,456,075.54
Reserves Allocated for Taxes, Interest, etc.	12,827,833.22	14,127,621.84
Acceptances	487,947.76	1,026,786.00
Interest Collected in Advance	16,214.24	—
Other Liabilities	166,802.09	150,736.06
Other Liabilities	119,437.94	196,740.44
Deposits (exclusive of reciprocal bank deposits)	257,099,051.23	362,365,501.85
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