

Bidding Is Boisterous

War Correspondent Finds Anzio Greetings Hot

By KENNETH L. DIXON
AT THE ANZIO BEACHHEAD, Feb. 7—(Delayed)—(AP)—This blasted beachhead is entirely too boisterous about bidding a man "hello" and "goodbye."

The first time I came up here I got knocked down by a bomb before I got off the boat. I didn't want to seem critical, but it struck me then as a very poor greeting. I stayed a week, then went to Naples to take a bath, change clothes and pick up mail. The day I left, the beachhead had its biggest air raid in several days. I got bounced around again, but due to my previous experience and improved footwork, I didn't get knocked down—I lay down.

I thought I would slip in very quietly when I came back today, but that's not the beachhead's way of doing business.

The censor won't let me tell about my first close call—it's still a civilian secret—but when it was over the first people I saw were a couple of medical-aid men who were planning to pick up the pieces. They were very disgusted to find I was only a reporter.

"Why in the hell did you come back here if you didn't have to," exclaimed one.

I couldn't answer that one, since due to some inexplicable coincidence I was thinking exactly the same thing myself.

However, I felt somewhat relieved because I figured the beachhead's welcoming festivities were now over. Cheerfully, I said as long to Lt. Carl Dolk of Warren, Ohio, and Lt. Edward Davis of Baltimore, with whom I had made the trip, and started down the road to Villa Virtue, home of unhappy beachhead correspondents.

I had gone only a short distance when the first shell landed nearby. It was followed by several others somewhat nearer.

In the subsequent dirt-biting derby I found three days of inaction hadn't even faded my footwork and timing. I made more first downs in the next few minutes than the whole Notre Dame backfield.

Finally I arrived at the Villa Virtue thinking, "Well, that was a pretty hot reception, but I'm glad it's all over now." I also was thinking a number of other things which would cause any newspaper to have its second class mailing privileges revoked if it printed them.

I couldn't find anybody at home where the public relations office and correspondents' quarters should be.

Then I heard voices issuing three stories below the old quarters. I went down and found some of the gang there.

"Why did you move down here?" I asked, setting my typewriter on the window sill.

Just then ack-ack guns opened up and German fighter-bombers whined down directly overhead, dumped bombs down outside and knocked my typewriter off the window onto an army cot.

"That's why," replied one of the boys who had been bombed and shelled out of one villa already in this invasion. "We've moved down a story a night since you've been away. Welcome home."

That sort of thing has been going on all day today. A couple of near misses by shells at noon turned a chunk of K ration cheese into two brand new ulcers. The writing of this story has been interrupted three times already by enemy air raids. It plays hell with punctuation.

It's all very well to be enthusiastic about welcoming a guy back, but beyond a certain point it becomes bad taste—then you quit thinking about how you've been missed and start thinking about being missed.

And any connection between the foregoing and a sickly attempt at humor is strictly forced.

Mrs. Ashton Improved Following Accident

LEBANON — Mrs. Daniel Ashton, who was injured in a head-on collision a mile north of Independence Wednesday was able to leave the Lebanon hospital where she was taken by ambulance after the accident. It is thought that her injuries are not serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ashton had been in Portland with Mr. Ashton's brother, C. R. Ashton of Albany; his mother and two sisters to attend the funeral of a friend. The accident occurred on their way home.

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Women Look to Job Chances In Postwar Readjustment

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—(AP)—What chances will women have for jobs after the war?

Are the thousands of new women recruits to the nation's labor forces going to be shoved into a corner or forced to return to the home?

Or will they get the equal consideration with men which they apparently will demand?

The women's bureau of the department of labor estimates that there are about 16,000,000 employed women right now. It foresees a possible increase to 18,000,000 by the end of the war, followed by a quick drop to possibly 15,000,000 with the coming of peace.

But the women's advisory committee of the war manpower commission says an "easy assumption" that the great percentage of the remaining number of these women will return to their homes is to be questioned seriously.

The committee points out that about 14,000,000 women workers are not newcomers to the labor force, and the women's bureau says a 25-year survey of women wage earners' problems shows that the vast majority seek employment for economic reasons.

Too, there will be an even higher proportion of unmarried women in the postwar population, and thousands of others will have to assume their newly acquired role of breadwinner permanently because of loss of their husbands in war.

There are others who may not be willing to take a back seat on the postwar job—wagon because they value their new-found economic status and the additional income.

They find themselves for the first time in interesting, better paying jobs which formerly were reserved for men... or they are learning new skills, discovering new capabilities.

Agencies studying the relation of women to the future labor market predict that those who will retire or shift to other jobs will include:

1. The large numbers of young girls who have temporarily left school who will be drawn back into the educational system.

2. Some older women who during the labor shortage have sought or held onto employment from choice rather than necessity (though there probably will be more women in their 40's and 50's competing for jobs than before the war).

3. Large numbers of housewives who sought employment because of the enlistment or induction of their husbands into the armed services, or because of higher living costs.

Members of the national board of the national women's trade union league appear unalarmed over women's postwar employment problems. They urge that the doors be kept open to their goals of equal pay for equal work, better working conditions and better representation in union organizations.

They foresee a "tremendous chance for women in retail trades and service industries which have been drained... Opportunity, too, in the many war plants which will be converted into peacetime purposes, some of them entirely new."

Elizabeth Christman, secretary of the board, says women won't want to go back to household and other low-paid jobs they used to fill unless... standards of wages and hours are improved, they receive the same social security benefits other jobs offer, including workmen's compensation, and a social status the same as workers in other fields.

However, the women's bureau concludes that:

"Calm recital of facts and figures will scarcely allay rising fear in some quarters that women will

Rural Women Entertained

OAK POINT — Mrs. Edward Harnsberger, Mrs. Theodore Muller and Mrs. R. A. Alderson entertained for the Independence Rural Women's club Tuesday at a 1 o'clock luncheon. Mrs. J. Graber and Mrs. Cecil Hultman of Buena Vista; Mrs. Josephine Walker and Mrs. Roy Houck of Salem and Mrs. Clifford Fratzke of Independence were invited guests.

Plans were made for serving refreshments to USO in Independence February 19.

The March meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Herbert Bartel with Mrs. Grove Peterson as co-hostess.

For the program hour Marlene and Romeo Wilson sang a duet and Mrs. Clifford Fratzke gave a book review on "The Weeping Wood" by Vicki Baum.

Mrs. Byron Riddell entertained the Dorcas class of the First Baptist church of Independence at her home Monday night. Fourteen women were present. After the business meeting, there were games and contest. Refreshments were served.

Bricker Hits Fourth Term

By WILLIAM T. PEACOCK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—(AP)—John W. Bricker, hitting at democratic talk of a fourth term for President Roosevelt, called Friday for a constitutional amendment limiting White House tenure to a maximum of eight years.

Among his main points and statements were:

1. Some sort of international organization must be established to maintain the peace but he would not want it to restrict this country's independence of action.

2. The present administration has failed to make use of state and local governments in the war effort to the extent they could be used.

3. There is no reason for the federal government's "entering into private business in competition with its own citizens."

4. Under the present administration there has been a gradual encroachment on the rights of individuals.

5. In response to a question—he does not believe "isolationism" will be an issue in the campaign.

Swegle Teachers Given Birthday Party

SWEGLA—Two of the Swegle teachers were honored with birthday parties on Thursday. The birthday of Mrs. Irene Castle was celebrated at the luncheon hour. Mrs. Castle received greetings from the entire school by song. Each child and teacher received an individual birthday cake with one lighted candle. Presents were exchanged.

A surprise birthday party for Miss Jeanne Dubuis was held Thursday at the home of Mrs. Walter Swigle. The sixth grade arranged the party with the assistance of Mrs. Cecil Frame and Mrs. Swigle.

take jobs away from returning soldiers. Nor will statistical statements prevent unjust and unfounded discrimination against women workers after war."

Silverton Exceeds Quota

SILVERTON, Feb. 12—The Silverton district has gone over the top of its assigned quota of \$300,000 in bonds for the fourth war bond campaign. It was announced here Saturday morning. During the three-hour period Friday when the 70th infantry band played, a total of \$67,000 in bonds were sold, the local chairman, James Clough, announced. The rural area under chairmanship of M. G. Gunderson purchased \$50,000 worth of bonds. It was announced.

Jack Spencer was co-chairman with Clough for the bond sale in this district but was inducted into the army shortly after the sale got under way. T. W. Preston and A. W. Woodward are members of the pay roll committee. It was announced Saturday the Silverton Flax company had won the flag for having a pay roll deduction purchase plan in effect for 90 percent of its workers. In this case the 90 percent purchased 14 1/2 percent of the total pay roll.

Woodburn Legion Sponsors Party

WOODBURN—The third in a series of card parties sponsored by the American Legion and auxiliary was held in the legion rooms Thursday. Pinochle and "500" were played.

Mrs. William Brassel won high score in "500" for the women. Joe McCormick, for the men. Fred Frentz held high score in pinochle. All received prizes, a special one was awarded Aloise Halter.

The fourth and last party of the series will be held next Thursday, February 17, with the following committee in charge: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Butterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cronn, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Perd, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Lansden, Mr. Albert Otterstrom.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—(AP)—Police were not only looking—but also listening—for a shoplifter today.

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Tokyo Ignores Hull Protest

By TOM REEDY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—(AP)—The Japanese government has adopted an attitude of cold disregard for American protests of its savagery toward war prisoners. This became apparent when the state department revealed that Tokyo hasn't even bothered to reply.

Undersecretary Edward R. Stettinius told a news conference the

Swiss government had confirmed delivery of two messages from Secretary Hull to the Japanese—6000 words of bitter recrimination, accounts of torture and murder, starvation and bestiality.

The Tokyo radio has said only that the whole horror story—the death march from Bataan—was a fake, designed to lift American morale and cover up American misdeeds. There never has been an official government statement delivered to the United States. There is no indication that the state department expects to get one, now.

Meanwhile, relatives of the

Silverton Club Will Meet With Mrs. Brown

SILVERTON — The Silverton Woman's club will meet Monday with Mrs. P. L. Brown. Mrs. Harry Buckley will be the speaker. It was originally planned to have the meeting at the home of Mrs. George Hubbs but illness in the family makes this impossible.

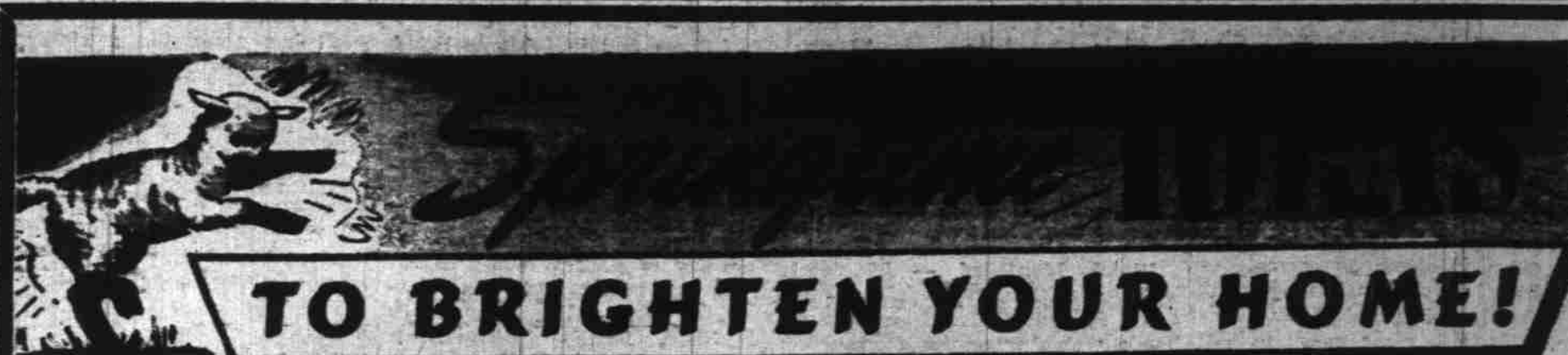
men who fought to the end in the Philippines, only to undergo a living death after that at the hands of tormentors, carried their burden to Capitol Hill.

Returns From Leave
MONMOUTH — Miss Irene Berry, Commercial instructor at the local high school has returned from Albany where she spent a six weeks' leave of absence, and will resume her work in the school Monday.

Beverly Morian, of Monmouth, Oregon State college student, has been substituting for Mrs. Berry.

Molalla Store Robbed

MOLALLA, Feb. 12—(AP)—Twenty cases of whiskey and a pistol were taken by burglars who broke into the state liquor store here early Friday, police said.



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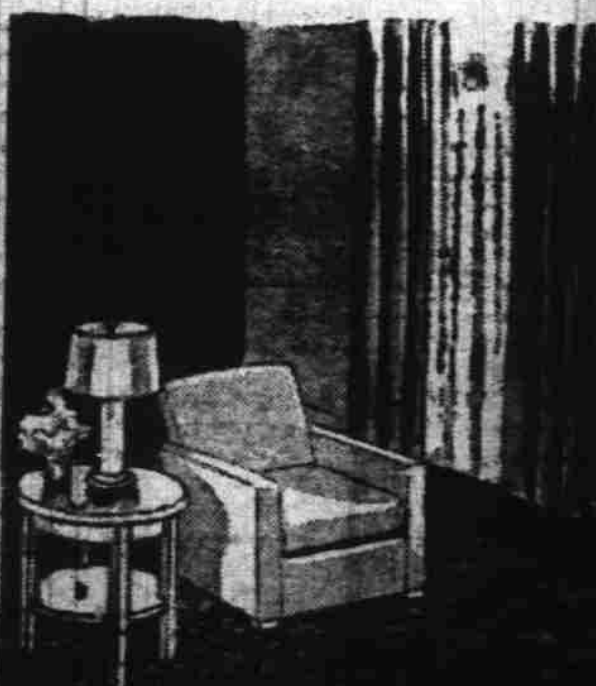
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