

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



Mrs. Thomas A. Roberts, 494 North Winter street, Pfc. Robert, a graduate of the naval aviation technical training school at Norman, Okla., with grade of marine corps aviation ordnance man, is at present stationed at El Centro, Calif.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Among the promotions announced by the war department today was included that of Larren Lawson Jones, engineers corps of the army, 1887 North Front street, Salem, Ore., from first lieutenant to captain.

MILL CITY — Mrs. George Laird Jr. has received word that her brother-in-law, army air corps navigator, is missing in action over Germany. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Laird of Vernonia.

Robert Kelle, USN, is stationed at Moscow, Idaho, where his wife recently visited him. Arlie "Stub" Turnidge has been assigned to an aircraft carrier, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Turnidge.

SCOTT'S MILLS — Stanley Rich and Maurice Magee are new recruits in the military service. Rich left for Fort Lewis for induction into the army and Magee has gone to Farragut naval training base. Marion Pownall has been sent to Oklahoma for further training in the naval air service. He recently finished basic training at Farragut.

Captain L. D. Berlin, for the past five years liaison officer between the marine corps and the selective service here, has been transferred to San Francisco with the quartermaster department of the marine corps, and taking up duties here as his successor is Capt. J. A. Blakeley, Pittsburgh, Pa., who arrived in Salem the early part of the week.

Flight Officer Joseph William Rierson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rierson, 1561 Plaza street, has reported to Minter Field, Bakersfield, Calif., to assume his duties as flying instructor.

Sgt. Vince M. Genna, crew chief on a B-24 Liberator bomber, has been promoted to grade of staff sergeant, according to word received by his wife, the former Lois M. Gregson of Salem, now residing at 1835 North Winter street with her parents, Sgt. Genna, stationed in Italy since December, has been flying in the "Deuces Wild," bomber which has been cited for accomplishing more missions than any ship in its group.

Salem Men In European Salvage Unit

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Working on an assembly line basis, in specially designed trailers, these men will repair torn uniforms, worn-out shoes, ripped canvas and other damaged articles.

In other words, troops with mangled equipment will not have to leave the battle zone — their repairs will be made on the spot. Latest types of machines are carried by the unit, for all kinds of jobs from sewing on Johnny's already-mentioned buttons to rebuilding a shot-up truck tarpaulin.

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OCE Term to End — **MONMOUTH, March 4** — Oregon College of Education's winter term will close here next Wednesday. Spring term opens March 14.

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Navy Recruiters Adopt Long Hours

In order to speed up enlistments and also for convenience of people working, the Salem US navy recruiting station, room 220 post office building will from now on be open from 8 o'clock to 6 p.m., and including the noon hour.

Smaller towns in the Salem district will be visited every week by recruiters A. C. Friesen and N. G. Kennedy. Following is the schedule:

Tuesday afternoon, McMinnville, Astoria, Dayton and Grand Ronde; Wednesday afternoon, Stayton, Silvertown and Mt. Angel; Thursday afternoon, Independence, Monmouth and Dallas; Friday afternoon, Gervais, Woodburn, Hubbard and Aurora.

Men 17 to 18 and between 38 and 50 1/2 years of age may still enlist in the navy.

All women between the ages of 20 and 38, with two years of high school and who are physically qualified, may enlist in the Waves, the recruiters stress.

9 Salem Youths Apply for Navy

Nine 17-year-olds have made application for enlistment in the US navy through the Salem recruiting office. They are Norman P. Schmidt, Clarence P. Kuper, LeRoy M. Wallace, and John L. Lehnerr all of Salem.

Others from this district making application are Glenn Arthur Skeels and William B. Nibler.

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1943 Oregon Crop Greater Than 1942

SALEM, March 4 — The total volume of Oregon's crops in 1943 was five per cent above 1942 production, and 20 per cent above the 1932-41 average, State Director of Agriculture Ervin L. Peterson said today.

The total acreage harvested in 1943 was slightly less than in 1942, but seven per cent above the 1932-41 average.

Production of corn, oats, barley and rye was slightly under 1942, while potato production was up 51 per cent.

KIRTLAND FIELD, Albuquerque, N.M., Feb.

—Aviation Cadet Raymond J. LeDoux of Mt. Angel, Oregon has been commissioned a second lieutenant and awarded the silver "wings" of the aerial bombardier upon graduation from the army air forces bombardier school here following successful completion of eighteen weeks of flight and combat training in high level precision bombing and navigation.

I. A. LeDoux is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. LeDoux of Mt. Angel and husband of the former Edna Ann Brock of Woodburn. Before his acceptance as an aviation cadet, May 8, 1942 at Salem, he was employed as a mechanic.

Prior to his advanced training at Kirtland Field, Lt. LeDoux received the insignia of the aerial gunner upon graduation from the army air forces flexible gunnery school at Kingman, Arizona.

Now ready for active duty, his destination is not disclosed.

E. T. Waring has been promoted to petty officer first class at his station on an aircraft carrier somewhere in the south Pacific, according to word received by his wife in Salem. Waring is a former projectionist at the Capitol theatre here.

Thomas A. Roberts, Jr., private first class in the marine corps, is in Salem on a 15 day furlough visiting with his parents, Mr. and

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