

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



SCOTT'S MILLS—George Kellis, torpedoman's mate third class, has recently been home on a short leave after graduation from advanced torpedo school at San Diego. He expected to be stationed at Mare Island, Vallejo, Calif., after his return. He was accompanied home by a friend, J. Cook, torpedoman third class, whose home was too distant for the brief leave allowed.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo E. Taylor have received word from their son, Sgt. Winston Taylor, of his safe arrival overseas. Taylor, former Statesman news editor and Willamette university student, is in the army medical corps.

Pvt. Gordon Vernon McAllister, 22, whose wife, Theone Rose McAllister, resides at 2586 Lee street, apartment 2, Salem, and **Pvt. Donald W. Mott**, whose wife, Virginia Mott, is a resident of 1405 Jefferson street, Salem, have arrived at Camp Wolters, Tex., infantry replacement training center to begin their basic training. They are assigned to a battalion stressing heavy weapons.

LIBERTY—Robert (Bob) Stacy is spending a three-day furlough with his uncle, C. W. Stacy. He is serving in the medical corps of the US army and has received training at Letterman hospital in San Francisco. He will leave Friday for Bushnell General hospital in Brigham, Utah, where he will be a surgical technician.

GRAND ISLAND—Russell Tompkins, pharmacist's mate first class, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Tompkins, from his station afloat.

Rodney Meyers received a V-mail letter from his brother, T/S Ralph Meyers, saying that he is now somewhere in France with the army medical corps and "is looking forward to getting his Sunday edition of The Statesman." Meyers was formerly bell boy at the Senator hotel.

Four men from the Salem area are members of ordnance base armament maintenance battalion operating in one of the largest army overseas arsenals in the world (Mediterranean theatre) and said to be the first of its kind in the army.

Sgt. Francis H. Smith, husband of Wilma I. Smith, 2320 Maple avenue, Salem; **Cpl. Lloyd R. Johnson**, son of Mrs. Ellen E. Johnson, Station A, Salem; **Pfc. John M. Doerfler**, husband of Nina Bell Doerfler, 126 Patterson avenue, West Salem, and **Cpl. Roland K. Smith**, whose wife, Marjorie L. Smith, resides at route two, Scio, are among the volunteers who comprise the battalion recently praised by Maj. H. Walker Hunsaker of San Francisco. Hunsaker, executive officer of the battalion, describes the group: "They came to the army to do a specific job and they have done it admirably. In this battalion, the men are hand-picked to do the job and taught the needs of the army in specialists' schools. They know their jobs, want nothing more than to do them—the results you can see on the fighting fronts."

Precision instruments for fire control, artillery, tanks and general purpose vehicles pass through the workshops of this battalion and emerge equal to any new piece of equipment, a recent dispatch from the Mediterranean headquarters declares.

CENTRAL HOWELL—Bert E. McCool, seaman second class, is spending a 15-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McCool. The McCools have two other sons, **Pfc. Orville P. McCool** with the tank destroyers in England and **Pfc. William C. McCool**, with the army field artillery in New Guinea.

AN EIGHTH AAF BOMBER STATION, England—The promotion of Lawrence W. Hereford, 21, of Salem, Ore., from sergeant to staff sergeant was announced recently at this eighth AAF Flying Fortress base commanded by Col. Karl Truesdell, jr.

The sergeant is a tail gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Hereford of Sherman road, Salem, Ore., he entered service Nov. 12, 1942, prior to which he was a student at Brownsville, Ore., high school.

Lt. Don C. Smith, jr. has just completed a 21-day leave which he spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don C. Smith, sr. at 725 North 16th street. Lt. Smith has been overseas for 18 months with the signal corps and had not been home for three years. He wears three campaign ribbons. He will be reassigned upon reaching his present destination.

Lt. Smith attended Salem high



Gerald M. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Davis, 1132 Hall street, was recently at home on a 10-day leave. He entered the service in December, 1942, and is now stationed at Olathe, Kas.

school and went to Ft. Stevens with the coast artillery, later being sent to officer candidate school at Ft. Monmouth.

Fish Program Cut as State Deficit Grows

ASTORIA, July 12 (AP)—A steadily swelling deficit will force curtailment of fish hatching operations in Oregon unless more funds are forthcoming, the state fish commission warned today.

A special appeal to Governor Snell, signed by Sen. Merle R. Chessman, chairman of the senate interim fisheries committee, declared that the commission's June 30 deficit of \$7000 would be doubled before the end of this month.

The committee, formed by the fishing industry and the commission, had previously asked the governor to convene the legislative emergency board, if he finds the board is empowered to make appropriations from self-supporting departments.

The report attributed the critical financial situation to declining salmon fishing fees—\$102,454 in 1942 as compared to \$65,898 in 1944—and to increasing expenses of propagation. The Grand Coulee and Black Canyon dams, the Swan Falls dam on the Snake river, and mining operations on the Lewis river have increased the need for artificial hatching, the committee said.

The commission's funds, the report continued, have dropped from \$405,052 in 1921-22 to \$129,136 in 1943 and \$125,610 on June 30, 1944. The committee also objected to a diversion of about \$32,000 annually to the state and state police.

Missionaries in Philippines Thrown Into Prison Camps

(Eds. Note: The writer, Ray Cronin, now AP war editor at San Francisco, was chief of the former AP bureau in Manila. He spent 21 months in a Japanese prison camp to repatriation.)

By **RAY CRONIN**
SAN FRANCISCO, July 12 (AP)—Sensational charges, topped by espionage, have been lodged by the Japanese army of occupation against American religious workers in the Philippines, according to a broadcast from the Nippon-controlled Manila radio stations. The broadcast said all United Nations missionaries and other religious workers in the islands were rounded up during the past week and thrown into a civilian prison camp.

The Japanese said these Catholic and Protestant missionaries and religious workers had "abused" their temporary freedom of movement by engaging in espionage and subversive propaganda that endangered the safety of the army of occupation. They further alleged the religious workers had attempted, through subversive activities, to upset cooperation between Japanese authorities and the Nippon-puppet "republic of the Philippines."

The broadcast said all the properties of the "enemy" religious organizations—supposedly the scores of churches, convents, schools and monasteries in the Philippines—were turned over to the "bureau of religious affairs of the republic."

After the Japanese army took over the city of Manila January 2, 1942, about 500 missionaries and religious workers, most of them Americans, were permitted to live in their own religious compounds outside the Santo Tomas civilian prison camp. Some of them, including both Catholics and Protestants, refused to sign temporary releases offered by the Japanese. They were held in the

camp. The others, while outside, had only limited freedom under the watchful eyes of the Japanese military police.

The temporary releases were a pledge against espionage and subversive activities. The Japanese made it clear any violations would draw "dire punishment."

From the very outset of the occupation the Japanese, non-Christians, did not know how to handle the religious question in the Philippines, only christian country of the orient. Their army religious bureau failed dismally in its attempts to gain the cooperation of about 13,000,000 Filipino Catholics and several million Protestants for the "Greater East Asia coprosperity sphere."

The Japanese cracked down on some of the American missionaries in Manila in the fall of 1943. About a dozen Catholic priests were taken to the military police prison at Fort Santiago, charged with disseminating "enemy" propaganda. We never learned what happened to the priests.

This latest action of the Japanese may cause widespread resentment among Filipinos who always have demonstrated a great love and respect for their religious leaders, especially Americans.

Eugene Man in Jail for Kidnapping

RENO, Nev., July 12 (AP)—A kidnapping charge against Paul Kenneth Norman, 43, Eugene, Ore., dishwasher at a Lake Tahoe resort, was filed here today. Norman, unable to provide \$1000 bail, was returned to the county jail.

Norman was arrested Monday for allegedly forcing an unidentified woman to accompany him here across the California-Nevada boundary from Lake Tahoe. Police said the woman's hands showed knife wounds.

City Officials to Confer on Safety

PORTLAND, July 12 (AP)—City officials from throughout the state will meet here July 27 for the annual Oregon traffic conference. Speakers include Norman Damon, automotive safety foundation, Washington, DC, and several officials of the national safety council.

All's Fair in Love

POCATELLO, Ida.—The groom had planned something finer, but the best laid plans—so the bride wore a dime store wedding ring. **Pfc. Howard A. Smith, 21**, of the marines, ordered a wedding ring from a Spokane, Wash. jeweler, for his marriage to Miss Shirley Smith, 19, airbase clerk. But it failed to arrive in time for the ceremony. He hurried to the dime store.

Cain Holds to Lead of 14,000

SEATTLE, July 12 (AP)—Republican Gov. Arthur B. Langlie's renomination vote climbed to more than 30,000 in excess of the aggregate cast yesterday for his three rivals and the unopposed democratic gubernatorial candidate, US Sen. Mon C. Wallgren, as unofficial tallying continued today.

Eastern Washington returns cut down Major Harry Cain's lead over Attorney Cameron Sherwood, Walla Walla, slightly in the 11-man race for the republican senatorial nomination. But Cain, mayor of Tacoma now with General Eisenhower's staff, appeared to be the GOP nominee to run against Rep. Warren G. Magnuson, the overwhelming democratic choice for the post to be vacated when Senator Homer T. Bone assumes a federal judgeship this fall.

Apparently only about 400,000 of the state's estimated 800,000 registered voters marked ballots yesterday.

Virtually complete returns in the first district (Seattle plus Kitsap county across Puget Sound) showed a tight race between Robert H. Harlin, former Seattle mayor and Fred J. Wettrick, the nominee four years ago, in a 10-man race for the republican congressional nomination.

Hugh De Lacy, president of the old age pensioner-supported Washington Commonwealth Federation, appeared the democratic nominee over seven opponents to succeed Magnuson.

Payson Peterson, Snohomish, appeared to have beaten four rivals to be the republican candidate again in the second district.

Charles Savage, Shelton, led Marion Sexton, Vancouver, as the democratic nominee in the third. Edward J. Reilly, Spokane, appeared the democratic nominee in the fifth. All other congressional nomination candidates ran unopposed.

Unofficial tabulations on returns from 2,424 of the 3,164 precincts for senator gave Cain 55,169; Sherwood, 41,285 for the COP senatorial nomination.

Col. Petee to Head Camp Adair's 274th

CAMP ADAIR, July 12 (AP)—Col. Charles S. Petee, former organized reserve head for the state of Oregon, has taken over the command of the 274th infantry regiment here, Camp Adair's public relations office announced today.

Petee, a veteran of six World War I campaigns, served as executive officer of the 363rd of the 91st division until last January. Before the outbreak of war, he was stationed at the University of Oregon as reserve head.

Brownell Agrees With FDR On Need of New President

By **WILLIAM W. TYLER**
ALBANY, N.Y., July 12 (AP)—Republicans fired their first campaign salvo at President Roosevelt today, more than a week in advance of his expected nomination for a fourth term, with an assertion he was using his title of commander in chief to "perpetuate himself" in office.

National Republican Chairman Herbert Brownell, jr., put that interpretation upon the president's statement that, if renominated in the national democratic convention at Chicago next week, he would accept as a "good soldier."

Brownell, who met reporters after conferences with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, republican presidential nominee, was asked whether he had any comment on the president's announcement.

Soldier Pretext Used
Reading from a prepared statement, previously seen by Dewey, Brownell said:

"Mr. Roosevelt is the first of 32 presidents of the United States to claim that the title of commander in chief makes him a soldier and to use that title as a pretext to perpetuate himself in political office."

"On November 4, 1940, Mr. Roosevelt made this statement: 'You will have a new president in 1944.'" Brownell continued, adding:

"When he said that, he was right."

Brownell emphasized the statement was his own, but said Governor Dewey had perused it without comment during breakfast at the executive mansion.

No Willkie News
After his conferences with Brownell, Dewey talked with Samuel F. Pryor of Connecticut, eastern campaign manager for Wendell L. Willkie in 1940, and Irving M. Ives, republican majority leader of New York's assembly. Ives is mentioned as a possible candidate for the United States senate seat now occupied

by Robert F. Wagner, New York City democrat. Reporters continued to press unavailingly for some definite indication of whether Dewey would receive Willkie's support. Brownell had no comment on that matter but acknowledged he had talked with several national committeemen and others "who have been closely associated with Mr. Willkie."

Cook Tossed Into Ocean, Seamen Admit

SAN FRANCISCO, July 12 (AP)—The trial of four merchant seamen, accused of throwing the ship's cook overboard off New Guinea because they didn't like his cooking, ended abruptly today when one of them pleaded guilty to assault to do bodily harm.

The original charge was assault to commit murder.

Fred L. Slettebo of Edmonds, Wash., pleaded guilty to the lesser charge and asked for probation.

Auto Crash Kills Southern Soldiers

PORTLAND, July 12 (AP)—Two soldiers killed last night in a stolen automobile which roared into a ditch at 80 miles an hour were identified by Portland army air base today as Pvt. Lloyd G. Perry, Brandyville, Tenn., and Pvt. John F. McKelvey, Moulton, Ala.

The crash, witnessed by two deputy sheriffs, occurred on a main boulevard in Portland's outskirts. The car had been stolen from a parking lot earlier in the evening.

Oregon's E Bond Sales 25 Millions

PORTLAND, July 12 (AP)—Late returns on Oregon's Fifth War loan campaign brought the state's total today to \$165,127,969 and E bond sales to \$25,274,456.

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