

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



Burris is pilot of a B-25 Mitchell bomber, the "Shrapnel Blues", at a 7th AAF base in the central Pacific.

Lt. Burris is a graduate of Salem high school and attended Fullerton Junior college. He entered the air corps February 20, 1942, and was commissioned a second lieutenant April 12, 1943. Last May he was awarded the Air Medal with Oak Leaf cluster for missions against the Japs in the Pacific. A brother, J. P. Burris, is a lieutenant in the marine corps.

(Special to The Statesman)

7TH AAF HEADQUARTERS, Central Pacific—Jack J. Billeter, 26, 685 Center street, Salem, Ore., has been appointed a warrant officer junior grade, 7th AAF headquarters has announced.

Formerly a staff sergeant, Billeter was one of 32 enlisted men in the 7th AAF to receive the appointment and congratulations from Brig. Gen. Robert W. Douglas, jr., commanding officer of the 7th AAF.

Billeter's wife is a resident of Salem, as are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Billeter, 745 Hood street.

Darrell Woodridge, MoMM 2/c, who entered the navy from Salem and is now stationed on a destroyer was a visitor in Salem last week at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Pro. His mother, Mrs. W. C. Woodridge, and sisters, Wanda, Beverly and Lillian, came to Salem from Longview, where they are currently residing, to spend his brief leave with him. His father, MoMM 1/c in the naval reserve, is in a naval hospital outside continental United States.

Cecil E. Billings, 18, fireman 1/c, was a member of the US naval crew in the American assault force which invaded France. Young

Budley E. Bullock, F2/c, US navy, spent a 15-day leave in June with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bullock, 1915 North Front street. He is now at Fort Pierce, Fla., in an amphibious unit where he is training as an engineer.

(Special to The Statesman) WITH US SOUTH PACIFIC ARMY FORCES—Staff Sgt. James F. Bishop of Salem, Ore., was awarded the Oak Leaf cluster June 28 in lieu of an additional Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained combat operational missions of a hazardous nature against enemy opposition.

Announcement of the award was made by Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, commanding US army forces in the south Pacific.

(Special to The Statesman) AS 7TH AAF BASE IN THE MARSHALLS—Nerdy V. Burris, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Burris, 1270 North Summer street, recently promoted to first lieutenant.

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PROCLAMATION WHEREAS, the unregulated use of the following described area is, in my judgment, a menace to life and property on account of the high fire hazard caused by an excessive amount of inflammable debris on the ground due to both old and current logging operations, old burns, and an excessive number of snags, and

WHEREAS, upon the showing of the State Forester, it appears to me to be necessary to close to unregulated use the following area designated as:

Area No. 11-F—Linn County Area:

Starting at the 1/4 corner common to Sec. 29 and 32, T. 9 S., R. 4 E., thence south 1 mile to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 32, T. 9 S., R. 4 E. and Sec. 5, T. 10 S., R. 4 E.; thence west 7/8 miles to S.W. corner Sec. 31, T. 9 S., R. 3 E.; thence north 1/2 mile to 1/4 corner common to Sec. 36, T. 9 S., R. 2 E. and Sec. 31, T. 9 S., R. 3 E.; thence west 3 miles to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 33 and 34, T. 9 S., R. 2 E.; thence 1/2 mile north to N.E. corner of Sec. 33, T. 9 S., R. 2 E.; thence west 3 miles to N.W. corner of Sec. 31, T. 9 S., R. 2 E.; thence south 3 miles to S.E. corner of Sec. 12, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence west 1 mile to S.E. corner of Sec. 11, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to S.E. corner of Sec. 14, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile west to S.E. corner of Sec. 15, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to S.E. corner of Sec. 22, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence 3 miles west to S.E. corner of Sec. 19, T. 10 S., R. 1 E.; thence 3 miles south to N.E. corner of Sec. 7, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile east to N.E. corner of Sec. 8, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 2 miles south to S.W. corner of Sec. 18, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile east to N.E. corner of Sec. 21, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 2 miles south to S.E. corner of Sec. 28, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile west to S.E. corner of Sec. 29, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to S.E. corner of Sec. 32, T. 11 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 1/2 miles west to 1/4 corner common to Sec. 31, T. 11 S., R. 1 E. and Sec. 6, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1/2 mile west to S.E. corner of Sec. 1, T. 12 S., R. 1 W.; thence 1 mile south to S.E. corner of Sec. 12, T. 12 S., R. 1 W.; thence 1/2 mile east to S.W. corner of Sec. 8, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to S.E. corner of Sec. 18, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 1/2 miles east to 1/4 corner common to Sec. 16 and 17, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 2 miles south to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 6 and 7, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1/2 mile west to S.E. corner of Sec. 29, T. 12 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 1/2 miles south to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 4 and 5, T. 13 S., R. 1 E.; thence 4 miles east to 1/4 corner of Sec. 1, T. 13 S., R. 1 E.; thence south 5 1/2 miles to S.E. corner of Sec. 30, T. 13 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile west to N.W. corner of Sec. 1, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to N.W. corner of Sec. 12, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1/2 mile west to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 2 and 11, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile south to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 11 and 14, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 3 1/2 miles west to S.E. corner of Sec. 7, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 3 miles south to S.E. corner of Sec. 30, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1 mile west to S.W. corner of Sec. 30, T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; thence 1/2 mile north to 1/4 corner common to Secs. 26 and 21, T. 14 S., R. 1 W.; thence south 1 1/2 miles to S.E. corner of Sec. 14, T. 14 S., R. 1 W.; thence 3 miles west to S.E. corner of Sec. 21, T. 14 S., R. 1 W.; thence 1 mile north to S.W. corner of Sec. 22, T. 14 S., R. 2 W.; thence 2 miles west to S.E. corner of Sec. 19, T. 14 S., R. 2 W.; thence 6 miles south to S.E. corner of Sec. 19, T. 15 S., R. 2 W.; thence 1 mile west to S.W. corner of Sec. 19, T. 15 S., R. 2 W.; thence 1 mile south to S.W. corner of

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Sec. 30, T. 15 S., R. 2 W.; thence 1 mile west to S.E. corner of Sec. 28, T. 15 S., R. 3 W.; thence 2 miles south to that point where Sec. line joins boundary line between Linn and Lane counties; thence in an easterly direction along the county boundary line to 1/4 corner common to Sec. 36, T. 15 S., R. 3 E., and Sec. 31, T. 15 S., R. 4 E.; thence north on protection boundary line of Willamette National Forest to such point where said Forest boundary line intersects North Fork of Santiam River; thence in a northwesterly direction along south bank of the North Fork of the Santiam River to the north and south center line of Sec. 29, T. 9 S., R. 4 E.; thence south to point of beginning, except the following described areas: That strip lying between the county road and the Quartzville Branch of the Santiam River beginning at the western boundary of the closed area in Section 19, Township 13 South, Range 2 East, and ending at Packers Gulch; that strip lying between the county road and the South Fork of the Santiam River beginning at the western boundary of the closed area in Section 30, Township 13 South, Range 2 East, and ending at Cascadia; all of the state park area at Cascadia; that strip lying between the county road and Wiley Creek beginning at the western boundary of the closed area in Section 1, Township 14 South, Range 1 East, and ending at the junction of Big and Little Wiley Creeks; and that strip lying between the county road and the Calapooia River beginning at the western boundary of the closed area in Section 31, Township 14 South, Range 1 East, and ending at the old Dollar Camp.

Permits for entering the above area may be obtained at the following places: Gates Side Camp, Thomas Patrol Station, Crabtree Guard Station, Sweet Home Guard Station, Linn County Fire Patrol Headquarters, Lebanon, Crogrove Ranch, Foster Cascadia Fire Patrol Station, Courtney Creek Fire Patrol Station, DeArmond Fire Patrol Station, Audy Ayers, Lacombe.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL SNELL, Governor of the State of Oregon, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of Section 107-209, Oregon Compiled Laws Annotated, as amended by Chapter 238, Oregon Laws 1941, do hereby proclaim the unregulated use of the above described area to be unlawful and that said area shall be subject to entry only through permit to be issued by the State Forester or a fire warden, under which permit entrant shall comply with any and all of the following requirements: (a) To build no fires except in places designated as safe in said permit. (b) To have as a part of his or her equipment, tools suitable for extinguishing fire. (c) To refrain from smoking except in places designated as safe in said permit.

This proclamation shall be effective from and after the 19th day of July, 1944, and shall remain in full force and effect until the 31st day of December, 1944. Done at the Capitol in Salem, Oregon, this 17th day of July, 1944.

EARL SNELL, Governor. Attest: ROBT. S. FARRELL, JR., Secretary of State, July 18

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Sgt. Alex M. Schmidt, 24, who died of wounds received at Blak Island, according to information received by his family. He was a member of Co. B which became a part of the US army in the fall of 1940. His wife and 4-year-old daughter, Joan, live at 1810 Oak street.

Billings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Billings, route three, box 737, Salem, saw his first action with the enemy during the invasion. He attended Salem high school and was employed by the Oregon Pulp and Paper company prior to entering the service. His brother, Luther A. Billings, AMM 2/c, is stationed at San Diego, Calif.

Lt. Sam Kyle was wounded early in the Normandy campaign and is now in a hospital in England, according to information received by his wife, the former Celia Moorman, who is with her parents in Murtaugh, Idaho.

Lt. Kyle is a son of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Lyke of Monroe and at the time of his enlistment he was practicing law in Bend. Both he and his wife are graduates of Willamette university.

He was leader of a machine gun platoon and was wounded in action June 8.

Fvt. Paul Boynton is spending a furlough with his wife and two daughters at North Bend and visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Salem Chaplain Cites Pilots' Abiding Faith in 23rd Psalm

(Special to The Statesman) WASHINGTON, July 17—A moving story from Chaplain Theodore B. Mitzner, a native of Marion county, Oregon, and a graduate of Willamette university, was received by the general commission of army and navy chaplains here.

The story was in the nature of a report from the chaplain, formerly a student pastor at Harrisburg, Ore., and now chaplain of a B-24 Liberator bomber group in Italy. It cited this incident: "One of our big airplanes had

been so badly disabled by enemy fire that it was only through the remarkable skill and perseverance of the pilot that the ship continued its homeward flight. But the ship could not be landed at the home base for its controls were shot away.

"The pilot himself, nearing exhaustion, asked a fellow crew member to read the 23rd Psalm from the Testament they always carried in the plane.

"The psalm was read in its entirety. The plane was taken to higher altitude where the crew was ordered to bail out, and then the pilot bailed out and let the empty plane crash at sea. All the men in the crew parachuted to safety.

"Members of the crew said to me that night: 'That psalm helped a lot, and the Great Pilot was surely riding with us today.'

"The co-pilot added: 'He always does.'

Lieut. Van Ausdell Aids in Destroying Four Nazi Planes

WITH THE 15TH ARMY AIR FORCE, Italy, July 17—First Lt. Perle D. Van Ausdell, jr., has been in plenty of action but he believes his most outstanding was as pilot of a P-51 Mustang over Ploesti, Rumania, last April 21.

He was with an escort squadron of Mustangs, accompanying heavy bombers, when the "Jerries" closed in.

The 25-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Perle D. Van Ausdell of 336 Oak street, Salem, Ore., is credited with a considerable contribution in helping his squadron destroy four of the enemy planes.

Lieutenant Van Ausdell, a graduate of the Salem high school, has flown more than 90 missions over enemy-held territory of Germany, France, Rumania, Bulgaria and Italy, and holds the air medal with eight clusters.

Salem Man Based on Huge Shell Domain in African War Theatre

AFHQ, Mediterranean Theatre, July 17—It takes good men to work in this north African ordnance battalion where shells of every calibre are held in readiness for the fronts.

One of these is Sgt. Orla R. Sumner, grandson of Mrs. Amelia Brown of 555 Marion street, Salem, Ore.

The battalion commander, Maj. Thomas B. Lynch of San Francisco, Calif., says "There's very little chance of even one small

Lieut. Irish Wins Air Medal, Europe

AN EIGHTH AAF LIBERATOR STATION, England—Second Lt. Robert W. Irish, 21, co-pilot of an Eighth AAF B-24 Liberator bomber has been awarded the air medal. The decoration was conferred for "meritorious achievement while participating in heavy bombardment missions over enemy occupied continental Europe."

He is the son of Mrs. C. N. Irish of 2054 North Capitol street, Salem, Ore. Prior to his entry into the AAF in June, 1942, Lt. Irish attended the University of Oregon.

Aluminum Workers Wage Boost Justified

PITTSBURGH, July 17—(AP)—Counsel of nearly 50,000 employees in 17 plants of the aluminum company of America today told a war labor board panel their demand for a 15-cent hourly wage boost is justified not only by rising living costs but also by requirements of postwar prosperity.

"All the technical blueprints for streamlined conversion methods after the war will be meaningless unless people have enough money to buy goods which industry can produce," declared Benjamin Fisher, a research director for the CIO-United Steelworkers of America.

25 Million Pieces Of Service Laundry Handled Monthly

(Special to The Statesman) FORT DOUGLAS, Utah—Laundries of the quartermaster corps in the eight western states handle 22,000,000 pieces of clothing each month. Ninth service command tabulations show. The corps' 22 laundries are operated in Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Arizona.

The establishments also process reuse clothing returned from the south Pacific and American theatres of operation.

The Ninth service command quartermaster also operates three dry cleaning plants where about 140,000 pieces are processed monthly.

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- 4 So in this country, we offer people compensation for lending or investing their money. Anyone who puts his money into "tools" that produce goods for everybody instead of spending it on goods for himself is compensated with interest or dividends.
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