

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



Sgt. Winston Taylor, former Statesman news editor, writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milo K. Taylor, 1328 North Capitol street, from a busy hospital unit in England. Green fields, many small streams where ducks swim and a climate much like that of the Willamette valley remind him of home. Bicycle traffic is heavy and small boys approach men in United States army uniforms with "Any gun, chum?" Men there feel that the news is good and that it is difficult not to be optimistic despite the war casualties they are seeing. He dreams, he declares, of the time he returns to spend time in his den, dose in front of the fireplace, waken without a bugle and eat at the little breakfast table in the kitchen. A recent letter said he had just learned where Howard Jenks and Loren Hicks, also of Salem, are located in England.



SILVERTON—Second Lt. Carl Boesch is at home on a furlough after completing his P-40 training at Dallas, Texas. Lt. Boesch will report to Baton Rouge, La., for his assignment to a P-47 tactical fighter squadron. Lt. Boesch is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boesch of Silverton and was graduated from Silverton schools.

MT. ANGEL—From Jacksonville, Florida, comes the news that Leo Grosjacques, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Grosjacques of Mt. Angel and former Mt. Angel college basketball star, has graduated from the US Naval Air Gunners school there and will now be sent to a Naval Air Operational Training Command station to complete his training as a naval aircrewman.

Arthur A. Michels, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Michels of Mt. Angel has been promoted to corporal. Cpl. Michels is attached to Squadron "S" of the 328 Army Air Force Base Unit at Gulfport, Miss.

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Service Sons of Herman Rappes



TED RAPPES



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WILBUR H. RAPPES

Soldier, Sailor Just Miss Third Brother at Home

Three of the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rappes, route two, Salem, who are in the service, have been able to spend some time at home this summer.

PFC Ted Rappes, home August 3 after 18 months in New Guinea, with Oregon's own 41st division, has been ordered to report to Camp White for further assignment.

Merle Rappes, boatswain's mate, also at home, will leave the same day as his brothers. He has seen action on duty and will be reassigned following his leave.

Jack L. Rappes, in field artillery, is stationed at Camp Polk, La. On furlough here in July, he left the day before his brother, Ted, arrived.

Wilbur H. Rappes has been at Pearl Harbor most of the time since June, 1941. He was ordnance officer first class in Pearl Harbor and Midway action, was given special schooling for a short time in Florida and is now a petty officer first class.

Mrs. Viret Wilson has received the last letter in two months from her husband, SC 3/c. It was written from Saipan in the Marianas. Mrs. Wilson and their infant son reside with her parents at 1610 North Summer street.

HAZEL GREEN—Pfc. Harry Ernest Lehnerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lehnerr, has been home for ten days. He will leave Monday for Camp Aitbury, Ind. He has been in service for 16 months, and is with the paratroops now.

PRINGLE—Don Ellison, Aviation Machinist Mate first class, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ellison. He will return to his Alameda, Calif., base this weekend.

Marine Warrant Officer Wilford L. Morgan, 32, son of Hubert Morgan, 527 South 17th street, has returned to duty at the marine corps air depot, Miramar, following 24 months' service in the Pacific as paymaster of a marine air group.

Warrant Officer Morgan, who first enlisted in 1931, served in China and the Philippines until 1935. He re-enlisted in February, 1941.

During his present enlistment, the local leatherneck has served at Guadalcanal, in the New Hebrides, in New Zealand, and at Tawana. More recently, he was transferred to Pearl Harbor, where he received his warrant while acting as paymaster sergeant.



Leland F. Brandt, aviation radio man 2/c, recently spent a leave at his home on East Garden road, Swegle district, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Brandt. He has returned to Fort Huachuca, Calif.

KEIZER—Mrs. Margaret Nelson has four sons in military service, three in the army and one in the navy. Staff Sgt. Theodore Nelson is now in India with the army air corps, but he went overseas to Ireland two years ago and was among those landing in North Africa in November, 1942.

Cpl. Roy Nelson went to England last November and took part in the invasion in June and is now in France. Pfc. James Nelson is now in France too.

Laurence Nelson, USN, fireman first class, is now somewhere in the Pacific. He enlisted in the navy in October, 1943. Letters from each of her four sons were received by Mrs. Nelson this week.

Mrs. Eben Stevens has received word from her husband that he has been promoted to staff sergeant. He is stationed at Camp Polk, La.

SCOTT MILLS—R. Q. Hurst, Jr., apprentice seaman, is expected home on leave after finishing his basic training at Farragut. His mother is Gladys Hurst.

Lt. Col. W. W. Baum, army medical corps, is on leave at his Ben Lomond park home here. He is stationed at McCook airbase in Nebraska.

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