## Mid-Valley Men Men Serve Their Country 'Round the World

#### **Marion Carl** Discusses Corsairs

By S/Sgt. Dan Balley (Marine Corps Combat Correspondent)

EMIRAU, St. Matthias Islands (Delayed) - With the skies in the South Pacific area cleared of Japanese bombers and Zeros, marine corps fighter pilots here are loading their Corsairs with explosives and using the planes as dive bombers against enemy targets at Kavieng and Rabaul,

Every day the blue, gull-winged fighters carry aloft one bomb each, on strikes or patrol missions to blast anti-aircraft gun positions, supply dumps and camps. During June, Kaxieng and Rabaul shook under 100 tons of TNT thrown by

Marine Maj. Marion E. Carl of Hubbard, Ore., 18-plane ace, said the Corsairs have been carrying mostly 500-pounders and 1000 pounders.

"Something Useful to Do"

Corsair - bombing, begun primarily to give the fighter pilots something useful to do, has developed into a valuable weapon, in keeping neutralized the Jap-held positions on New Ireland and New Britain, Maj. Carl said.

bombing is something entirely new. In flight school they received no training in it and these fliers have had to learn literally by the hit-and-miss method.

"This isn't the first time Corsairs have dropped bombs," Major Carl continued. "The idea has been used in another section of the Pacific for several months. But there it's been mainly low-level bombing, while here I think we have the first extensive experiments in dive-bombing."

Helps Keep Japs Awake

One important use of Corsairbombing here is constantly disturbing the sleep of Kaxieng Japs. Patrols are maintained over the town every night, and occasionally one of the planes will drop a bomb. The Japs stay in their foxholes,

for they never know when another bomb is coming down nor where it will land. It is similar to the type of bombings the Japs carried out against American forces in the Solomons for many months.

"The men like the bombing idea," said Maj. Carl. "It's something different and it's something to do. Recently in an attack on Mickey McDaniel, radio technician Rabaul, we started seven fires. And every time somebody mentions dive bombing, we talk about our fires as if we'd sunk a battle-

Dives From 15,000 Feet

One of the best hits recently was made by First Lieutenant David S. Bishop, who climbed up to 15,-600 feet and dove 5000 feet, with a two-story, brown house as his target. Bishop, who lived at 733 Rand Ave., Oakland, Calif., was missing in action the day this story was being written.

The plane's plunge was half as long as a regular dive, and the bomb, after release, had to travel approximately five times the usual distance to the target. Despite these handicaps (the missile landed directly on top of the brown building, demolishing it and wrecking half a dozen others

#### Gervais Man Gets Captain's Bars In South Pacific

(Special to The Statesman) FIFTH AIR FORCE, SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC-Thomas A. Ferschweiler, who has been navigator on the personal planes of Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, commander of the far east air forces, and Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, Sixth Army commander, was recently promoted to captain.

Capt. Ferschweiler, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Ferschweiler, Gervais, Oregon, is now a member of the crew of a B-17 armed transport of a Fifth air force troop carrier unit. As navigator on the Flying Fortress the past eight months, he has participated in supply dropping missions to troops shortly after landings at Arawe, Cape Gloucester, Hollandie, Los Negros in the Admiralties, Wakde and Biak islands, More recently, Capt. Fer-

schweiler took part in the successful paratroop dropping mission at Kamiri airdrome on Noemfoor island in Dutch New Guinea when allied forces seized this Jap base only 800 miles from the Philip-

Capt. Ferschweiler was gradusted from Mt. Angel-high school and Mt. Angel college. He won his wings in December, 1942, and left for overseas duty in January, 1943. He has a total of 1048 flying hours, 939 flown in combat areas.

SILVERTON, Aug. 26-Lt Raymond E. David, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor P. David, recently arrived at the Blg Spring, Texas,

Leads Worship in English Church



A NINTH AIR FORCE TROOP CARRIER BASE-Chaplain Robert W. Tindail, whose wife, the former Mildred Will of Salem, Ore., is its 9840 chapters and branches the new living in Dayton, Ore., is best known to his Ninth air force Red Cross is helping to feed and troop carrier group as "Chappie." At present he preaches to a full clothe more than 45,700 American house of American service men overseas, where the sign "Standing prisoners of war, and 8,200 civilian Room Only" is often needed. For both Sunday services and midweek internees who are reported in the prayer meetings, "Chappie" meets his GI flock for inter-denominational worship of the Master Pilot in this quaint English, 16th cen- imately 16,000 prisoners of war tury cillage church located on their base.

### Brownsville Officer Helps To the pilots of the Corsairs, Wipe Out Complete Jap Force

WITH THE AMERICAL INFANTRY DIVISION SOME-WHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC-(Delayed)-(P)-Lt. valid food parcels for wounded Denald E. Bouey, 306 Coolie Ave., Brownsville, Ore., has finally men; medical kits, and clothing are Great Record realized the big ambition of his life-that of being able to slip up provided. on an enemy force without being detected, wipe it out and withdraw without casualties to his own men.

soldiers, and two trained jungle the interior of this jungle island. a river. They returned to report a telephone communication line along the mail stream. Lt. Bouey and three soldiers,

1/e, former Salem boy who at- a small enemy force. The Japanese tended Grant school here and later was in radio school at Salem high school, is now stationed at Stillwater, Okla. He is the son of Mrs. Anna Mosier, 357 A street, Independence, a nephew of Mrs. F. Otitz, 879 North Liberty street, Salem.



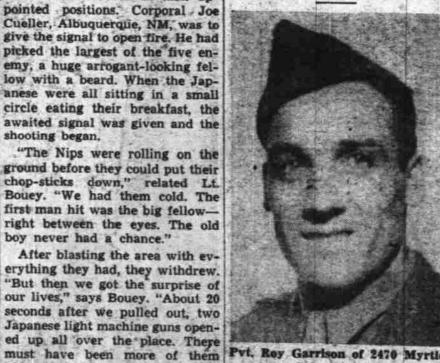


Through volunteer workers in

The generous response to the March war fund appeal made it The former regular army en- possible to supplement the seristed man, with four American vices of volunteers by stationing 13,000 trained men and women with the armed forces at home and dogs and their handlers, accom- abroad, in the hospitals and in the plished this remarkable feat while field, O'Connor explains. In adon a reconnaissance patrol deep in dition to this work with the armed forces, the responsibility imposed Their first night was spent in a upon the Red Cross by Congresheavily wooded spot, behind ene- sional charter 40 years ago, "To my positions. The soldiers built help the service man on his return, small huts from banana leaves and and his family while he is away after a cold supper of "C" and "D" . . " is being met by thousands of rations, a guard was posted and home service volunteers under the

The next morning, after a rug- O'Connor pointed out the heavy ged two-hour march, they found responsibility of the Red Cross a deserted enemy bivouac area. Lt. which forms its mighty 80th anni-Bouey dispatched two soldiers up versary of service.





Pvt. Roy Garrison of 2470 Myrtle avenue, Salem, is at home on an emergency furth, h to be with his mother, who is seriously ill. He is in basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif.

SWEGLE- and Mrs. William Hensell have received a message from their son, Fred. He was returned from Australia after several months in hospital with malaria. He was taken by plane from hospital in California to Walla Walla, Wash.

The extent of his illness is not known as no letter has been received from him for several weeks. He first had malaria in the canal zone before war was declared, while US troops were stationed

(Special to The Statesman) bombadier school, and has been assigned to duty as a pilot with the braining department.

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Michael Sons Win Medal, Promotion



The Air Medal to one and the corporal's stripes to the other, Sgt. of Tarawa, who has been over-Billy Michael (left) now with the Ninth air force in the European seas 20 months, related his extheatre of operations, and Cpl. Jimmy Michael (right) stationed at perience. McDill field, Tampa, Fla., sons of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Michael, 150 Highway avenue, Salem, are recent recipients of army honors. The sergeant's award for "outstanding ability and courage" shown in ing going on," he said, "so the the initial wave of troops carriers C-47s that dropped paratroopers only thing to do was to get them over Cherbourg on D-day, has been described in a public relations to a first aid station." release sent directly to his parents from the Ninth's headquarters, and reprinted elsewhere on this page. Cpl. Jimmy Michael, who enlisted in the air force in January of this year, has graduated from gunnery school at Las Vegas, Nev. The two young amy men are sonally gave them first aid. nephews of Mrs. Wood Welch, 105 Highway avenue, Salem.

Lt. Allen Semb

Of Salem Finds

(By Sgt. James S. Dugan, a

GREEN ISLAND-(Delayed)-It

Marine pilots patroling the area

Lt. Semb joined the marines in

(Special to The Statesman)

Norman, Okla., Aug. 26-Ralph

T. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. J

Wood of Salem, has been gradu-

ated from the naval air technical

training center here, the navy de-

partment announces. Before en-

tering the navy in August, 1943,

SILVERTON, Aug. 26 - Harvey

but is improving.

Ralph Wood Rated

As Seaman First

marine corps combat correspond-

ent of Los Angeles, Cal.)

First Targets.

# Squadron Sets

PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUAR-TERS, Pearl Harbor, Aug. 26-(P) "The Japanese," said the admiral, should be very happy that you are going home on leave."

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz had in mind the almost unbelievable score which Cmdr. Norman (Mickey) Miller's PB4Y squadron rolled up a gainst the Japanese from, Nauru to Wake; from the Marshalls to the Bonins in seven and one-half months.

Of 147 ships sighted by Buzz Miller's small group of 7 to 14 Liberators, 43 were sunk; 91 damaged. Miller's men shot down stream at the foot of a mountain, battles unharmed. four enemy planes in the air; de- and strated and set fire to them. stroyed 20 on the ground, probably destroyed 26 and damgaed

They flew more than 12,000 ever seen. I watched my section combat hours-that's more than leader head for the mountain at 2,000,000 miles - to make 352 patrol thousands of square miles of the Pacific almost daily from late January until a few days ago.

Miller's squadron, Navy VB 109, was assigned primarily to search trips I was out of ammunition. and reconnaissance missions. Boy! you should have seen those Much of its bombing and strafing barges burn!" was extracuricular. three hours later reported that

Miller, 36, whose wife and five children live at 4121 Shirley ave- four of the barges were blazing and the fifth was smoking. Apnue, Jacksonville, Fla., personally is credited with sinking 20 parently, they were loaded with ships totaling 35,500 tons and drums of fuel. damaging 46 totaling 28,350 tons. He has received three Dis- 1942, and won his wings and comtinguished Flying crosses, three mission in 1943. Air Medals and several commen-

one-man task force," Miller also has shot down one enemy plane, destroyed four on the ground and damaged 10. But Miller rejects personal praise, "We did all this as a

Sometimes referred to as the

Jack Wilbur, signalman 3/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark J. Miller, Wood was a student at Whitman 1405 North Church street, is at college. Upon graduation from home on a 28-day leave after the school here he received the spending 11 months in the Aleu- rate of seaman, first class, and tian islands. He participated in will now be transferred to a naval the landing on Kiska and was a unit afloat or to another shore member of a task force at the station. shelling of Paramushiro.

squadron," he says.

Pvt. Robert A. Wiens, son of Christenson has been promoted to Mrs. B. F. Wiens, 2142 North Com- first lieutenant, his parents, Mr. mercial street, Salem, is a member and Mrs. George Christenson, have of a class which has recently en- just learned. Lt. Christenson is rolled at Fort Knox, Ky., for an serving in New Guinea and has intensive nine-weeks course in the been in the hospital for some time, clerical department.

Described as Saipan Hero

ed men.

(By Sgt. Stanford Opotowsky of New Orleans, La., a marine corps combat correspondent.)

Salem Man Is

SAIPAN (Delayed) - Navy Pharmacist's Mate First Class Everett N. Joeckel, son of Mrs. Minnie L. Joeckel of route one, box 227, Salem, Ore., a corpsman with a marine corps outfit, distin-guished himself during the final Japanese counterattack on Salpan. He dashed across an open field under heavy machine gun cross fire five times to evacuate wound-

The Salem corpsman, a veteran

"I knew that I couldn't treat

He was unable to get stretcher bearers, so he brought the patients back himself, and then per-

Attached to a leatherneck artillery unit, Corpsman Joeckel was in the thick of the Saipan fighting. He treated his first patient less than half an hour after

he landed here.

Joeckel has recently written from Tinian island to his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Woelk, saying the campaign there was a little s always a big thrill for a marine far as battles go "no battle can be called easy."

corps fighter pilot, when he makes his first contact with the In a former letter from Saipan enemy and successfully completes he stated he had seen his twin bother, Irving Joeckel, en route Flying the dawn patrol recently was Second Lt. Allen R. Semb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Semb. of 945 Belmont street, Salem, ship also took him to Tarawa.

Oregon, making his first flight over enemy territory. When the marines first landed there, the pharmacist's mate, who Lt. Semb and his team-mates is attached to a marine group, spotted Jap camouflaged barges was among the first to go ashore at Cape Laross, New Ireland, cov- at Tulagi. So far as is known here, ered with coconut branches in a he has come through four major

"I was pretty excited," the lieubecause they were the first I'd In Tire Allotments

PORTLAND, Aug. 26-(AP)-In tree-top level and realized that it answer to their plea for still more bombing and strafing attacks; to was the only possible approach, large-size truck tires, Portland OPA officials today were told that "At the last moment he pulled his Corsair up and over to avoid this area has been especially facrashing. Then I went down in vored because of its war industhe same manner. After three

> of the regional reserve this month and in Oregon City visiting friends in addition to its regular quota. and relatives.



DALLAS-Maj. Edward Hamilton, US army infantry, is with Gen. Omar N. Bradley's army in France. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hamilton of Dallas and a West Point grad-

#### Oregon Officer Helped Guard D-Day Plans

HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS. Aug. 26-(AP) - Secret documents containing invasion plans and records of troop movements were kept safe before D-day partly through the efforts of a Tigard, easier than that at Saipan, but as Ore., man, according to a US army report today.

Hundreds of precious documents arriving at the western base section headquarters in England were to the engagement. This is the registered and safeguarded by Sec. second time this coincidence has Lt. Arthur H. Vincent, Tigard, and occurred, as his twin brother's Warrant Officer (jg) Bernard Solomon, New York city.

A steel-walled vault originally planned for family silver in an old English home hid plans on the invasion of France. The vault door could be opened only with a huge, specially made key.

Thermite bombs were stacked around the vault to enable officers to destroy the records at a moment's notice if danger threatened from the enemy.

Louis Updegraff, stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky., with an armored division, has recently been promoted to sergeant, word has been received here. He is the son of Bessie Updegraff and brother Amos T. Crowl, regional mile- of Mrs. Ted Woelk of Salem. After age rationing representative, San completing advanced ordnance Francisco, said the Portland dis- schooling recently at Savanna, Ill., trict has been alloted 20 per cent he spent two-weeks' furlough here



VETERANS\_Pyt. George H. Cryne, wounded while landing on the Normandy beachhead, discusses a carbine with George Oriseifer, 82, who has been making guns for the past 50 years, at the Winchester plant in New Haven, Conn.

LEGION OF VALOR REUNION — Members of the Army & Navy Legion of Valor, each a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, at 54th reunion, Fort Jay, N. Y., are (left to right) Henry P. Russell, Hartford, Conn.; Lt. Thomas Endle, Newport, R. I.; L. Stupka, Baltimore, O.; Michael Valenie, Long Beach, N. Y.; John McCloy, Leonia, N. J.; Col. Pierpont Morgan Hamilton, N. Y. C.; Lt. Comdr. John Davis, Boston; Frank W. Crilley, Verona, N. J.; August P. Teytand, Philadelphia; Oscar Burkhard, Rome, N. Y.

Pyt, Wilbur A. Wilkes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clair Wilkes, Salem, is at home on furlough. He was graduated from Salem high school in 1942, spent month in army specialized training program classes at the University of Arkansas and was transferred to Camp Moxey. where he is now stationed with an infantry regiment.



Bully Hackett, S 1/c, former Salem 18 - (delayed) - (A) - Tech. Cpls, boy who attended junior high school here and whose mother, today as heroes of an air attack Mrs. Pearl Hackett, now resides on Salpan in the early days of the at 532 East Second street, Al-American assault on that once bany, is somewhere in the South Pacific. He is the nephew of Apanese bomber set fire to a

Birthday Finds **Red Cross on Many Fronts** 

marked the 80th anniversary of the signing of the first treaty giving official international recognition to the Red Cross mevement, faces total warfare responsibilities which still are growing," Basil O'Connor, chairman of the American · Red Cross, said Saturday. "And there is no conceivable turn of the war that could reduce the need for Red Cross service in the field; in the prison camps and at

The American Red Cross planned no special observance of its 80 years of service because it continues to be too busy with its wartime tempo of work.

hands of enemy nations. Approxand civilian internees are now listed thru the International Red Cross. These people are identified prisoners of war and are listed with the International Red Cross and standard food parcels, (weekand standard food parcels, (weekly when international conditions Buzz Miller's permit); capture parcels, containing supplies for men who have just

direction of trained personnel.

one dog and handler, then moved forward. They had gone about five hundred yards when they spotted were across the river, at the base Lt. Bouey and his patrol crossed the stream and sneaked through the jungle to within 40 yards of the enemy. Here was established a perfect observation post among the phalanged roots of two large After watching the Japanese eat meagre supper and prepare for bed, Bouey and his men silently withdrew through the jungle. They parked their equipment and sent it back to a small hill in the

Sgt. Technician Richard E. Satter, Then they returned to watch, son of Mr. Edward Satter, is at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. His wife, with their small daughter, Susan Ann, will leave Salem shortly fast, and a few minutes later a fifth, identified as an officer by for Bloomington, Ill., where her father resides. Satter is with his garrison cap, made an apthe 70th division, formerly of Camp Adair.

moving into the same observation

spot. At 6:30 next morning, four

Japanese got up to prepare break-

The men were all in their ap-

boy never had a chance."

hidden nearby, but they still

didn't know where we were be-

cause the fire was pretty wild. However, about two minutes la-

ter two heavy mortar shells burst in the trees over us, and we got out

Loren Low Listed

Attack on Saipan

SEVENTH AIR FORCE HEAD-

Loren I. Low of Salem, Ore., and Andrew R. Hughes, were revealed

As Hero in Air