

### Harvey Williams Gets New Rank of Staff Sergeant

15TH AAF IN ITALY—Harvey E. Williams, 29, whose brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ringer, reside in Parkdale, Ore., has recently been promoted to staff sergeant. He is serving as the chief clerk in the statistical section of the headquarters detachment in the 14th fighter group, second oldest P-38 Lightning fighter group in the 15th AAF.

Graduating from the Parkdale high school in 1935, Williams attended the Oregon College of Education at Monmouth, graduating in 1940. He was elected president of the Associated Student body his senior year and was a member of the Crimson "O" and Dramatics club. Prior to enlisting in the AAF, Jan., 1942, Sgt. Williams taught school at Detroit, Ore. During the fire season he was employed by the United States forest service. He is a veteran of 34 months of overseas duty.

### Silverton Man Army Teacher, Family Learns

SILVERTON—"Just like home-almost" was the expression of PFC Walter Goplerud when he wrote home this week to tell that "believe it or not, I am going to teach in Europe."

Goplerud, a graduate of Silverton schools and later of Pacific Lutheran college at Parkland, Wash., was teaching in Washington state schools when called into the service. During the past year he has been with the fighting forces in Germany.

Teaching mathematics and history even in occupation camps in Germany is a "big improvement," in Goplerud's viewpoint, "over swashing around in foxholes and other fighting conditions."

Goplerud is the son of Mrs. John C. Goplerud, Silverton. His two sisters, Inga Goplerud, Puyallup teacher, and Mrs. Haakon Larson, a Tacoma teacher, are spending their summer vacation here with their mother.

Lt. Albert E. Kemp, U.S.N.R., of 245 E. Washington st., Salem, Ore., has returned from the Pacific where he flew as a fighter pilot from the flight deck of an escort carrier in operations against the enemy at Okinawa and other islands in the Ryuku group. He flew night aerial patrols protecting our forces from attack by enemy aircraft and made night attacks against enemy airfields, neutralizing them so that enemy aircraft could not use them in staging attacks. He has a probable large enemy freighter to his credit.

GULFPORT ARMY AIR FIELD, Miss.—Second Lt. John Ralph Hagan has reported to this station for combat crew duty aboard the new large B-29 Superfortress. Before entering the army Lieutenant Hagan attended school at Salem high and was later employed by the state highway department. He has been in the army since June, 1943, and is now serving as a pilot. His next of kin reside at 1315 N. Cottage st., Salem.

McKENNEY, Texas.—PFC Carroll L. Fletcher, 889 Bellevue ave., Salem, has arrived at the army's Ashburn General hospital, McKinney, Tex., from overseas. Before being returned to this country, PFC Fletcher served in France, Belgium and Germany. He is now convalescing as Ashburn General hospital. His wife, Mrs. C. L. Fletcher, resides at 889 Bellevue ave., Salem.

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INDEPENDENCE—PFC James W. Agatzoff, anti-tank gunner with the 151st Infantry in the Philippines, who was killed in action May 29 on Luzon. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Agatzoff, live here and his wife is now in Portland.

### Deadline July 1

Under postal orders, The Oregon Statesman and all other newspapers after July 1 will be unable to accept new or renewal subscriptions for servicemen with fleet postoffice (FPO) addresses, unless they are accompanied by written requests originating from the person to whom the copies are to be addressed. Until July 1, however, new and renewal subscriptions (for which addresses can be changed at any time) can be accepted without any such showing of specific request. Again please be reminded that July 1 is the deadline.



Richard W. Maude, aviation radioman, 3/c, who was killed in action May 11 in the Pacific. His mother is Mrs. Lillie Maude, 872 North 20th st.

### Dallas Service Man Home on Leave After 19 Missions

DALLAS — First Lieut. Jack Stiles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stiles, has arrived home from England on a 30-day leave. He has been on active duty since February 1, with the 8th air force, participating in 19 missions as a lead bombardier on a heavy bomber operating from England over Germany.

Stiles was awarded the air medal with two oak clusters and has other decorations coming up for his service. He will report to an air base in Florida following his leave.

Pfc. Phil Stiles, a brother, is also home on a 15-day furlough from Ft. Lewis, where he is employed in the post office. He was the first Company L member to return home last fall on rotation leave.



Pvt. Charles E. Brown of Independence, who was killed on Okinawa on May 19. (Story on page 1).

### Patrol of Salem Man Accounts For 25 of Enemy

WITH THE SIXTH ARMY ON LUZON — Searching out and blowing up Japanese cave hideouts, a 38th "Cyclone" division patrol, including PFC John L. Clark of Salem, Ore., accounted for at least 23 Japs in a two-day patrol through the Sierra Madre mountains.

Leaving base in the afternoon, the party surprised and eliminated four Nips in a dug out position shortly before nightfall. The next morning they crossed a deep ravine into a bamboo thicket filled with hostile fortifications. Using riflemen to spot snipers and caves, automatic weapons to deliver protective fire, and demolitions men to throw in the charges, they destroyed seven large caves and 19 more of the enemy.

Private Clark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Clark and husband of Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Clark, 187 North High st., Salem.

### Bridgeport Man Is Commissioned From Army Ranks

DALLAS—Mrs. Vintie Holt of the Bridgeport district has received word from her son, S/Sgt. Charles H. Holt, that he was commissioned as a second lieutenant from the ranks at Geisingen, Germany, May 24.

A member of General Patch's Seventh army, he participated in the battle of Germany from November 1, 1944, to May 8, in the Alsace-Lorraine sector and in Germany. Awarded the silver star for gallantry, the purple heart with bronze oak leaf cluster for two wounds, he has been discharged.

### McCoy Sergeant Wins Air Medal

DALLAS—Mrs. Loel Vincent of McCoy has received word that her husband Sgt. Loel Vincent has been awarded the air medal and the oak leaf cluster for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial combat over Japan. Sergeant Vincent completed 27 missions as a waist gunner on a B-29 based in the Marianas.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Vincent of McCoy.

DALLAS—Joe Vine, pharmacist mate 1/c, is spending a 30-day leave with his wife, chief clerk of the local ration board. She is taking a 30-day leave of absence and together they will visit relatives in Idaho and Oregon. Vine spent 21 months at the naval hospital at Attu and will report to Seattle July 17 for reassignment.

### E. D. Roseman Gets Honorable Navy Discharge

E. D. Roseman, former Salem high school instructor, radio technician first class, who was stationed at the naval repair base in New Orleans for the past two years, has received his honorable discharge from the navy. After a brief visit with relatives at Long Beach, Calif., he and Mrs. Roseman returned to Salem and expect to be in their home on the Wallace road soon.

Their son, Edward Roseman, torpedoman second class in the navy, has just been home on a 30-day leave. With his bride he will live in San Diego while he takes a special course before being reassigned. He returned to the United States after serving for 20 months on a destroyer in the South Pacific. Roseman has been through 11 campaigns.

### Parents Receive Medal Awarded Posthumously To Kendall Helgerson

DALLAS—Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Helgerson have received the purple heart medal awarded posthumously to their son, Kendall Helgerson, who died April 30 in England, from wounds received in Germany on April 8. He was a member of the military police detachment of the 89th infantry division and was serving as a truck driver.

Cpl. Keith A. Brown is spending his furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Brown, in West Salem, and with his wife and small daughter. Corporal Brown is stationed at Keesler Field, Miss., with the air corps. Mrs. Brown returned to Salem with her husband after spending the past month in Biloxi, Miss.

DALLAS—Sgt. Warren Bennett is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bennett. Sergeant Bennett was recently graduated from the Third US marine corps special services course inducted at the army's school for personnel services at Lexington, Va. He entered the school after returning from the Tarawa and Saipan campaigns.

DALLAS—Dick Osuna, S 1/c is spending a 30-day leave with his mother, Mrs. Jerome Pratt. Osuna has been overseas for 20 months and saw service in Italy, Corsica, the Mediterranean area, and the invasion of southern France. He will report for reassignment at the conclusion of his leave.

Winsor Acton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Acton, telephoned his parents this week to tell them he had been commissioned as an ensign in the navy and would come home by plane for a 28-day leave. Acton was a member of a V-12 unit at Willamette university before going to New York for advanced training.

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