

Correspondent Tells Oddities Life At An AEF Italy Field

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THE AEF IN THE MED-
ITANEAN THEATER, Aug.
Anecdotes
The air bases accumulated
around the fields.
The bombing gets so accurate
better than 100 per cent.
has to be done about it.
Marauder bomber group

decided to cut the size of the bulls-
eye to toughen up the competition.
Previously a 100 per cent job
was won when the entire group
landed all the bombs within a
circle which had a 600-foot radius.
When they got too many 100 per
centers, they shortened the dis-
tance to 400 feet.

The next day, operating with
the new bulls-eye, the group scored
another 100 per cent.

Before Lt. Garland W. Burke,
a B-26 pilot from Olympia, Wash.,
even came overseas, he'd been
forced to make two single-engine
landings in emergencies. This
should have warned him of the
sort of a habit he was forming.

Since he arrived in this theater
he has made eight (count 'em)
crash landings, the latest one just
the other day when a wheel rolled
off as he was bringing his ship
back from a mission.

Prior to that he had brought
battered planes back on one en-
gine four times, once had plowed
through the top of an olive grove
and skidded in under high-tension
wires, and once had lost all his
hydraulics and belled in with only
one engine.

Another time one engine caught
fire. He finally got the fire out,
limped on back and crash-landed
with only five minutes of gas left
in the tanks.

In all of these mishaps (knock
wood) no one has been killed or
badly hurt in his plane.

When the commanding officer
of a B-17 outfit in Italy chal-
lenged the commanding officer of
a B-26 outfit on Sardinia in a soft-
ball game and offered to make a
side wager, he hadn't thought
about 23-year-old Lt. Van W. Mc-
Dougal of Arthur City, Tex., a pilot
in the Marauder group.

The score was 2-1 in favor of
McDougal's Marauders. This sur-
prised practically nobody, for
Van, who already had pitched his
team to the island championship,
used to be quite a hardball hurler
until he was hurt in the summer
of 1939. His big-league career had
included tossing 17 games for the
Senators the previous season. Be-
fore that he had pitched variously
for the Fort Worth Cats and other



CREWMEN CITED—Sgt. W. G. Esplin, Salem, and S/Sgt. R. M. McKechnie, Albany (right) both ground crewmen for a marine aviation group, were commended for "unselfish devotion to duty" during Japanese shelling of their Solomons island base.

Texas teams at Paris, Wink and
San Antonio.

After he was spiked in the hand
he went to Hugo, Okla., working
for a milling company, and shift-
ed to softball. Two years later, in
the air corps, he pitched the Will
Rogers field team to the army
softball championship.

There was much griping about
"running in ringers" as the Flying
Fortress boys grudgingly paid their
bets, but the gleeful Marauders
knew the answer to that, too.

"If you high-altitude guys would
come down out of the stratosphere
once in a while and read the sport
pages you wouldn't be such suck-
ers."

Production Slated For Enamelware

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Resump-
tion of production of several items
of household and hospital enamel-
ware has been authorized by the
war production board.

The order permits these do-
mestic items: colanders, baby
bottle sterilizers, dish pans, infants'
bath tubs, funnels, baby chambers
and various standard hospital
items, such as iodine cups and for-
ceps jars.

Navajo Indians believe that
Shiprock, an isolated butte which
towers 1,900 feet above the plain,
was once a great bird which
brought the tribe to New Mexico.

Oregon Insurance Firms' Assets Totaled

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Assets of all
insurance companies in Oregon
totalled \$40,307,151.787 on Dec. 31,
1942. Seth B. Thompson, state in-
surance commissioner, reported to
Gov. Earl Snell.

His report, covering the year
1943, showed the year's assets re-
presented an increase of \$3,134,004-
322 over 1942. Liabilities, includ-
ing special and contingency re-
serves, also increased at a cor-
responding rate, or \$2,953,528,688
over the previous year.

The insurance picture in the
state is favorable, Thompson said,
with companies being capably
managed and able to meet obliga-
tions.

The report covered the condi-
tion of life, fraternal, fire and
casualty companies.

Teen-Age Dance at Roosevelt School

Teen-agers are reminded by
Harry Davis, recreation commis-
sioner, that the weekly Saturday
night dance will be held again at
Roosevelt junior high school.

The informal dance will be held
from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., with a
charge of 10 cents per person to
cover expenses.

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Surplus Property Sought By Brokers

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Surplus
Property Administrator William
I. Clayton told the senate war in-
vestigating committee Wednesday
that "commission brokers are
swarming all over the place" in
attempts to buy up surplus gov-
ernment war goods for plants
which resell the material at high
profits.

His testimony came as senate
floor debate began on the Mur-
ray-Stewart-Taft surplus property
disposal bill which would create
an eight-man board to administer
an expected \$75,000,000,000 to
\$100,000,000,000 worth of surplus
war goods.

Clayton said he was trying to
curb the activities of commission
merchants seeking to buy war
goods. Despite their activities, sur-
plus property disposal must begin
now, Clayton told the committee,
in order to protect employment
and markets after the war.

J. S. Wilson, maritime com-
mission assistant, another war in-
vestigating committee witness,
said that the commission sold a
San Jacinto, Tex., shipyard to the
Du Pont company for \$200,000. A
fair price might have been as high
as \$500,000, he admitted. The sale
was made privately without com-
petitive bidding and the property
is to be used as a site for a chem-
ical plant, Wilson said in response
to questions.

Advocating immediate sale of
surplus consumer goods, Clayton
said there was a big hole in the
form of demand for consumer
goods right now into which much
of the surplus can be put without
hurting employment.

Leaders predicted the senate
would pass the measure within a
week and send it to conference
with the house, which has given
its approval to a bill placing sur-
plus property disposal under a
single administrator.

NEW THEATER OPENS

YONCALLA—The new theater
being built by Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Merk will be ready for its open-
ing show, Saturday, Aug. 26, at
7 p. m. The show "Rationing"
is the opening show. It will also
be on Sunday evening at the
same time. Then there will be a
different show on Wednesday
evening.

Mrs. Gairie Upshaw and Miss
Nanette Upshaw entertained at
a party recently in honor of Mi-

chael Upshaw's fourth birthday.
Mrs. Zedie Bishop, Michael's
great grandmother, Mrs. Luther
Daugherty, his maternal grand-
mother, and Mrs. Gairie Upshaw,
his paternal grandmother were
present besides a large number
of his friends and their mothers.
He received many gifts.

Loal Gilmer was called in the
army recently. His wife will re-
main with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Kelm in Springfield. Mr.
Gilmer was employed in an air-
craft factory at San Diego, Calif.,
prior to coming home on a visit
before going in the service.

Alton Noel was hurt at the
Hildeburn mill in Shoestring last
week but is able to go back to
work.

\$100 Offered for Shooting Hitler

—But Please Hurry

SALIDA, Colo. (AP)—The Salida
Rotary club is offering a \$100
reward to anyone shooting Adolf
Hitler by Sept. 10.

It's a matter of some urgency,
for the club several weeks ago
scheduled a memorial service for
Hitler on Sept. 11 and it feels that
the "eulogy" to be delivered by
Rev. John S. George will be more
effective if the fuhrer is dead.

Secretaries of State Give Post to Farrell

CINCINNATI, (AP)—Mike Holm,
for 24 years secretary of state of
Minnesota, was elected president
Wednesday of the National Asso-
ciation of Secretaries of State.

Other officers elected by the
association at the conclusion of its
convention here included Robert
S. Farrell, Oregon, recording sec-
retary; and Sidney Latham of
Texas, treasurer.

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Mercury Covers Wide Range in State

PORTLAND, (AP)—During the
past week of almost no rain in
Oregon, temperatures varied all
the way from the nineties down to
light frozings in a few elevated
localities, the United States
weather bureau revealed in a
weekly report.

With almost no rain, grain har-
vest progressed well and winter
grain was almost finished while
much of the spring planting was
harvested. Corn suffered slightly
from lack of rain, but the irrigated
patches did well.

Peach picking went well and
Bartlett pears were harvested in
most areas. Many early apples
were picked during the week
while nuts showed signs of being
a very good crop.

Late haying and cutting and
threshing of grass and legume seed
was favored by the weather and
the report said considerable areas
of range feed in eastern Oregon
were holding out well.

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