



Serving Uncle Sam

A/C Joe W. Bowersox, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bowersox, 226 Garden road, Salem, was graduated last week from the army air forces flexible gunnery school, Laredo army air field, Laredo, Texas, a member of the AAF training command. He was sent here upon completion of his preflight training and now that he has received the rating of aerial gunner, he will continue his training as navigator or bombardier in another training post.

Cpl. Fred J. Zurcher, son of Mrs. Alma Zurcher, 2104 North Fourth street, Salem, at Fort Knox, Ky., has completed an intensive 12 weeks course in the maintenance and repair of the peeps and jeeps, scout cars and trucks that give the hard-hitting armored divisions their speed of movement, a class of qualified automotive mechanics had been graduated today from the armored school.

Pvt. Charles K. White, 1138 South Commercial, Salem, has been promoted to private first class, according to Col. J. T. Rhett, post commander at Fort Sheridan, Ill. He is attached to the 163rd service unit, recruit reception center.

Dallas — Howard Peterson, seaman second class, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peterson, of Dallas that he is now stationed in Hawaii. Seaman Peterson, a gunner, completed his boot training in San Diego a few weeks ago, and following a short furlough home, received the overseas assignment. He shipped out on an invasion day.

Weneth Wright, seaman 1/c, is now a radio operator on a ship in the Pacific according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright. He left the California coast about two weeks ago. A graduate of Dallas high school in 1943, he has been in the navy since October.

Silverton — Mrs. Jack Spencer left today for Farragut, Ida., for a brief visit with her husband, seaman second class, who anticipates overseas duty in the near future. He was home recently on furlough following completion of boot training at Farragut. The Spencers have three small children. Mrs. Spencer manages the Sprouse-Reitz store during her husband's absence.

Gates — Servicemen returning to their stations last week after furloughs spent with their parents were Lt. Comdr. Ralph Millap of the USN who with his wife and two children returned to Seattle, Wash., after a 10-day leave spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Millap of Gates and his sister, Mrs. Edmund Klecker of Stayton.

PFC. Elmer Klutke of the army engineers returned to Bridgeport, Ky., after a week's visit with his mother, Mrs. Kate Klutke.

Sgt. Darrell Hayward left for Portland Thursday accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Ruby Winters, to visit over the weekend before reporting to Camp White for reclassification.

Sgt. Hayward has spent two years in Europe, several months on the Anzio beachhead.

Lebanon — A letter written June 6, invasion day, and received this week by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clendenen from their son, Larry, now in England, indicates that he was not in the initial phase of the big attack. "I have seen the damage that a few bombs can do. They can sure tear hell out of a city and leave nothing but a pile of rocks. We can tell there is a war on here at least, especially now that the big push is on. I hope it goes as planned

so we can all go home soon. In a letter dated May 18, he stated that he learned the news that he was a father.

From overseas comes word that Lt. Louis Clinton Wampler, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wampler has been stationed somewhere in Russia with the army air corps. Lt. Wampler, who is a supply officer in the air corps, first was stationed in England, leaving there in March for Africa from which place he was sent to his present location in Russia.

Arriving Sunday evening for a leave at his home at Rickreall was Robert C. Ragsdale, radio technician first class, son of Mrs. Florence Ragsdale, following treatment at the Norfolk naval hospital and more recently at a convalescent hospital at Asheville, N.C., to which latter place he will return. His naval service has been on aircraft carriers with the Pacific and Atlantic fleets.

Lebanon — Tech. Sgt. Maurine Hopkins McDonald, one of Lebanon's first Wacs, arrived home Sunday to spend the time until July 4 at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. C. White. Sgt. McDonald is stationed at the army air base at Great Falls, Mont., and she states she likes her work very much. Her husband is now in the south Pacific war theater.

Mill City — GM2/c Wilson Stevens was one of the survivors of the escort carrier Block Island, which was sunk by the enemy. Mrs. Stevens is the local seventh grade teacher. The Stevens girls, Lois and Haille, attended high school here.

Fl/c George A. Sargent of the U. S. navy is spending the remainder of his 30-day leave at the A. W. Kerr home. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sargent, Sr., of Springfield. Seaman Sargent reports to the naval hospital in Corona at the termination of his leave.

The Frank Fencils that their son, Staff Sgt. Frank Fencil, Jr., has been transferred from Illinois, where he has been stationed for the past six months, to Cox field in Paris, Texas. Sgt. Fencil is a pilot in the army air force. He graduated from the Mill City high school.

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Funeral Held For J. E. Roman

Joel E. Roman, 66, who was manager of the First National bank in Salem for four and a half years, died suddenly in Los Angeles Saturday, and funeral services were held at Whittier, Calif., Tuesday.

Mr. Roman came to Salem as manager of the Salem branch of the bank when it was taken over by the First National of Portland in September, 1933, and remained until March, 1938. He was a former Astoria banker and represented Clatsop county in the state legislature. After leaving Salem he made his home in California.

He is survived by his widow; a brother, Charles E. Roman of Astoria, another brother and a sister in Minnesota.

In Salem he was a member of the Kiwanis club and served it as president.

Jacobs Unveils Latest Prospect

New York, June 21 (AP) — Promoter Mike Jacobs will take the wrappers off his new "Georgia Peach" at Madison Square Garden Friday night when he tosses young Ike Williams into the ring against veteran Cleo Shans.

Jacobs' previous "Georgia



Joel E. Roman

Peach" was Beau Jack—the battle-royal better from Augusta, Ga., who drew gates totaling more than \$1,000,000 for 13 main events at the garden.

Beau Jack is in service now; likewise Bob Montgomery, who is recognized as lightweight champion in New York state. Which leaves 20-year-old Williams, who lives in Trenton, N. J., as the outstanding civilian lightweight.

Jewel Theft Guilt Denied

Seattle, June 21 (AP) — Jerry Valentino Parnar, 23, and his wife, Betty, yesterday pleaded not guilty to grand larceny charges in connection with alleged jewel thefts. Parnar was formerly of Portland.

West Salem War Drive Moves

West Salem, June 21 — During the first week of the fifth war loan drive West Salem has raised \$17,000 of its \$55,000 estimated quota, according to a report from Jess Gibson, chairman. This total represents E series purchases with the exception of a \$2500 allotment from Standard Oil Co.

The business district has been canvassed and the work in the residential district is nearing completion so the bond committee is now depending principally upon the results of the industrial plant campaigns to push the total into the quota bracket.

Prospective purchasers are again advised that bonds may be purchased at anytime at the city hall from Mrs. Helen Benson, clerk of the rationing board, or from city employees. The volunteer workers are again reminded that bond orders should be turned in daily to Mrs. Benson to aid the bond chairman in having the securities issued as rapidly as possible.

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John G. Dunham Passes at Boise

Boise, Idaho, June 21 (AP) — John G. Dunham, 69, an employee of the Idaho Daily Statesman for 35 years, died last night of pneumonia. He joined the paper as a reporter in 1906 and later became advertising manager.

Cluster Awarded Mayor Buxton

Washington, June 21 (AP) — Major Charles R. Buxton, McMinnville, Ore., has been awarded the oak leaf cluster to the silver star for gallantry in action at Humboldt Bay, Dutch New Guinea, last April.

7:15 P.M.

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NEWS TIME

Standard of California

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the war department said today.

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5 Consequently, we have enough capital to keep going until we find oil. Of course, the money to finance this—and other big jobs in heavy industry—could be procured by government ownership. But we Americans do it under legal agreements known as corporations.



6 For that way, we can preserve the freedom of the individual, the efficiency of a free economy and that all-important human incentive—competition. Our method isn't perfect yet, but it has brought us further than any system the world has ever known.

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