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## **Ron Burr Writes** From Italy

cold. I take a bath in my helmet ev- bronze star. in a helmet. If a fellow takes one he has been given a Campaign Badge such as an alligator. pretty often and doesn't get too dirty upon which are three gold stars. Be-you can keep fairly clean. You ought sides this and his Bronze Star pin, ed we both became entangled in my to this time, would have been in vain.

all of the fellows that have been over two years or longer to get ho but they can send as many as they think they can spare on temporary, think they can spare on temporary, which means thirty days at home and then back to the same outfit. Most of the fellows don't want that Most of the fellows don't want that and are taking a chance on be one of the two or three picked for permanent. I kind of feel sorry for them as a lot of them are going on their thirty-second month. But theft, in command. I guess I will set months I can start feeling sorry for purple heart out of this injury. I was

seem to be getting on their feet again and the boys in the Pacific are really going to town. I guess they are getting a place cleared for us to move into. And, as you say, they might even have to come over and help us out. I never did think that there fall of Germany and Japan. The

The Philippines

**Riverton Boy In** 

cold. I take a bath in my helmet ev-ery night or so and you would be surprised what a good job a fellow can do with a gallon or two of water this later one at Manila, for which things less desirable than a hog, passed on, the interest in such affairs and this single clothes never fail

to try it some time. We had a squadron meeting tonight and the main topic was permanent Combat pin. He is a splendid young was more than the net would hold the old "hoss" and plow a few more and temporary rotation. They allow man, of which all his friends are and we both left in opposite direc- furrows toward the goal. two men to go home on permanent justly proud. He has been wounded tions. If I had known it was only There is the location question, the rotation, which means that they won't several times, the last time recently a hog. I would still be hanging on building question, along with a few on Manila. His last letter to his par-rate, it would take seven years for ents follows:

Sunday, Feb. 4, 1945 Dearest Mother: Just a few lines Ernest Benham To Receive Army Air Force Training and Mrs. E. L. Benham, McKinley Rt., ed yesterday by shrapnel but it was only a small nick and it isn't any-thing to hold me back.

Air Forces Training Command ex-aminations to determine his qualifications as a pre-aviation cadet. in command. I guess I will get a will make him a flying officer, he n start feeling sorry for on the western front stting on their feet again in the Pacific are really n. I guess they are get-cleared for us to move will be given a series of medical and psychological tests at Keesler Field, which will indicate the type of air crew training for which he is best suited by aptitude and personal charbrother, who is a Marine and last heard from on the Russell Islands] should be here if he wants action! I saw Joe Strickly several times.

A Wild Hog For Value Of Museums A Bed Mate One of the greatest aids to clear

the mists of ages, to the seeker of

Following is a letter Mr. and Mr. Geo. F. Burr permit the Sentine's to print. It was written by their son, Ron, somewhere in Italy, last month, and our readers always seem gliat to thinking about "over there," whether it's in Europe or the Pacific ocean.
Sun, January 14, 1945.
Der Dad and Mom.-- I guess it is about time that I'm starting another iter.
We have been having pretty rough weather lately but I have been keeping pretty bury as Tve been making a run for transportation once in a while in my spare time. We had another smow storm the other day but
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They went from there to Gundal a source in the Vella in the the Vella in the while in my spare time. We had canal, then to vella la vella in the can only see about ten feet through mind went back to the time when primitive man trod this same land and of what great tragedy this simple that I saved a lot of brush cutting. I got two more copies of the Sentinel the other day; they were pretty old but had a lot of good news and reading in them.

Well, I took that shower and feel a lot better as I haven't been taking them very often as it has been so official citation and awarded the them very often as it has been so official citation and awarded the around me; as a result we were both but it is for the benefit of the entire makes her appearance looking as she popularity polls.

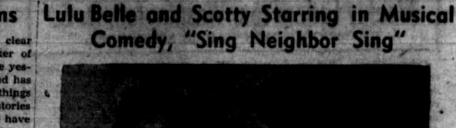
city, which much come from the heart of the membership in the form of unity of purpose. Let's Go! -R. M. Harrison,

Press Cor. C. & C. P.H. A.

#### Coquille, has reported to Keesler One Traffic Accident For Ea Field in Mississippi, to take the Army 13 Cars In Oregon In 1944 **One Traffic Accident For Each**

There was one traffic accident for every 13 motor vehicles registered in the state of Oregon during the year 1944, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell said today, in announcing a total of 30,953 traffic accidents reported in Oregon last year. The ratio of 13 vehicles per accident was the same in 1943 when there were 31,376 reportable accidents in Oregon, Farrell said.

acteristics. He will also take other classification tests to measure his In 1941, the peak year for motor technical skills and aptitudes, and he vehicle operation in Oregon, the ratio will receive a number of phases of was one accident for every eight would be much time between the fall of Germany and Japan. The way things are going it might be a I will close for tonight as I have chicles registered Farrell said accident reports during the latter part of 1944 indicated the need for greater attention to mechanical condition of automotive Insufficient braking equipment. power, poorly adjusted lights 'or no



Invariably a surprise to fans who looking. One of the few times that There isn't very much to write about this afternoon so I think I will go over and take a shower and may-be write more later. They make been identified. be write more later. They make been identified. The Coos and Curry Counties Pi-ery one of the nine "yellow" crea-be write more later. They make been identified in Republic's gay musical comedy, about two in the morning this hog see them, for the first time are Lulu they appear sans overalls, bandanas, aces have been identified. The Coos and Curry Counties Pi-"Sing, Neighbor, Sing," on the screen Belle is, of all things, a phrenologist

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will be bound to wane and, in a few to draw admiring sighs from her fans. Ruth Terry and Brad Taylor in the



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to go on guard pretty soon and this gives me a pretty good start for when I get your next letter.

Sun., January 21, 1945. It's been a week since I started this letter so I guess I had better add a few more lines this evening.

The picture on the western front is much better now and the Russians are really going to town or maybe I should say to Berlin.

Dode sent me the clipping out of the paper about me having you buy us some more war bonds and I sure hope it induced some more people to buy a few more.

She also sent me the clipping about them officially changing the name of Marshfield, North Bend and the outlying districts to Coos Bay. Does that mean that they went ahead and consolidated after all their jangling?

We have kept pretty busy the last week and I sure hope the Jerries have noticed it.

I can't think of any more to write about at present so will try to add a few more lines later.

Sat. evening, Jan. 27, 1945 Well here's another Saturday nite going to the dogs. I just got through taking a bath and put on clean clothes and no place to go.

I got Bobbie's letter with your short note in it so will finish this letter and mail it.

We had swell "chow" this evening, baked ham, baked potatoes, it or have it made. As ever, Ron. string beans, a salad, bread and butter, chocolate cake and coffee. That was the first ham I've had since I. left the states and it sure was good.

You made the statement that Harold Hart and I wanted to change the army. Well at times I think it could stand a little. I will give you an instance here in this outfit. I don't claim to be too d- smart and some times I think I'm pretty dumb but things like this makes a fellow think a little bit.

A couple of months ago we got a new transportation officer and he is really a dilly. Some things don't make any sense at all he will listen to and other things that might amount to something he gives a deaf ear. This is how much he knows about a vehicle. He asked a fellow the other

I had to borrow this envelope and paper from the medics, so I can't write Futh now. You tell her to

keep smiling. Don't you folks worry. Major Lloyd E. Haynes To shall come through this safely. And come home to you. This is all for now, dear. Keep your chin up and laugh at the whole world. Your loving son, always, Oran.

day what a ring and pinion gear was and where it was located. It

give all the orders and listen to dlittle

Things like that really help keep given a medical discharge from the my morale up and prove to me that Army later.

it isn't altogether my fault that I Major Haynes was a graduate of haven't done better in my army ca- the Coquille High School several reer, although it does make a fellow wonder if that is what he's buy- Haynes, is very well and favorably ing bonds for. But then this Army known in Coquille. The major's is such a big thing that there are wife is the former Rita Clark, whose rights of others and avoided unnecesbound to be things like that going on. home was in the Lee section at the

I could go one with a lot more but time of her marriage to Major what the hell's the use? A fellow Haynes. will just work himself up. A fellow

might just as well do his bestmand Arago Dairy Club To hope that it doesn't last too d- long. I am fit as a fiddle and just as happy as though I had good sense, as the old saying goes, and will make



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service with young Holbrook, and pilot, bombardier or navigator, de-they have been together ever since.] pilot, bombardier or navigator, depending upon the position for which he has been found best qualified.

Pvt. Ernest E. Benham, son of Mr.

As an applicant for training that

Everything will be all right and I Receive Army Medical Discharge Word has just been received that when this is over, I shall be able to Major Lloyd E. Haynes has been given a special official citation and awarded a Bronze Star medal for exceptional meritorious service in action in the forest of Cerisy, France, on November 28, 1944.

Since then, his wife wrote her sister, Mrs. Stanley Clausen, the wouldn't be so had but with what major had been very ill with a heart little knowledge he has he wants to ailment but had recovered sufficiently to be sent to a Los Angeles hospital for further treatment. He is to be

years ago and his brother, Wilbur

# **Operate Again This Year**

On Friday last week, Feb. 23, the Arago 4-H Dairy club was organized for another year's work by Herbert Carl, their club leader. Mr. Geiss, assistant club leader, was expected to be present but he was unable to attend.

The club elected officers with Allen Halter, as president; vice president, Glendon Zeller; secretary, John Ed Leeper, and club reporters are Ronny Halter and Kerwin Roe. The enrollment was of eleven members who hope to stay through the year. The majority of them were nembers in their first year of dairy club work. Most of them are starting with new stock but some of those who have been in for several years are using their last year's stock. The club discussed matters pertaining to the care of stock and gave the new members a few pointers. Their next meeting will be March 9, at the Arago school house.

lights at all, inadequate windshield wipers and such mechanical failures as steering knuckles and tie rods were reported as accident causes. With many cars ten years old or older, there is need for careful atention to mechanical equipment, the secretary of state said. He emphasized, however, that the human element still is the most important factor in accidents.

"Despite the fact we are driving older cars, we still could avoid most of the reportable accidents in Oregon by observing common sense rules in traffic," Farrell said. "The greater proportion of the accidents in 1944 could have been prevented had the drivers been alert, observed traffic rules and regulations, considered the sary risks."

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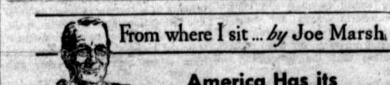
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### **America Has its Portrait** Painted

Dan Mascon's cousin, an honestto-goodness artist, came to our town. And when he heard we were having a weenie roast, he asked could he come and bring his paints.

After he got through working on his canvas ... he had as nice a picture of us enjoying ourselves as you could ask for .... complete to the last little detail ... from Molly Burtle's dimples to the foam on Ed Carey's glass of beer.

"I'm calling it a portrait of America," Dan's cousin says.

And from where I sit, he couldn't have a better title. Whether it's a weenle roast in our town or a square dance on a Wisconsin farm, it's all a part of America-a part of our neighborliness, our love of fun and pleasant living.

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