

Beaverton Pilot Wins Air Medal On Duty Mission

DAVIS MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE, Tucson, Ariz.—Captain James E. Miller, son of Mrs. Hazel M. Byfield, Beaverton, Oregon, was presented with the Air Medal by Colonel Alvin N. Moore, commanding officer of the 43rd bomb group, Davis Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Ariz., at an informal ceremony Friday, July 21.

He received the air medal for "distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from March 1947, to July, 1947. As a pilot of transport aircraft, Capt. Miller contributed to the successful completion of numerous highly important operational missions."

Captain Miller is a veteran of 10 years in the United States air force. He enlisted October 10, 1940 at Vancouver, Washington, receiving his commission May 30, 1941 upon graduating from flying school at Sockton field, Stockton, California.

He is a member of the 63rd bomb squadron at Davis Monthan, where he is an aircraft commander.



ON THE FIRING LINE OF THE 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION—This U. S. Army photograph, transmitted by radio, shows a machinegun emplacement where troops of Maj. Gen. William B. Kean's command held Communists as they tried to advance from the opposite ridge toward a half-destroyed bridge. There are veterans in the 25th who participated in the jungle fighting on Guadalcanal when the Division was led by General J. Lawton Collins, now chief-of-staff of the Army.



NEUTRALIZATION OF FORMOSA—A study of the map of the Far East, in the light of Communist methods of operation and the lessons of World War II, will show the importance of the decision to neutralize Formosa. Airfields on that island are only 400 miles from targets on Okinawa, a little farther from targets in the Philippines, and less than 800 miles from targets in Japan. Along with these points and Indo-China, Formosa might be in the first line of defense against Communist aggression in the Far East. If the Communists should seize Formosa now, they would not only break that line but also pave the way to conquest of the other points. Remembering the long years of costly, bloody island-hopping in World War II, it is easy to picture the hard road back that the forces of freedom would face.

Formosa is separated from the mainland of China by a strait from 90 to 200 miles wide. An island about 235 miles long and from 70 to 90 miles wide, it is about as large as Massachusetts and Connecticut combined and has a population of 7,000,000.

STREETS REALLY ROUGH

Willamina isn't fooling when it laments about rough streets. A report in the TIMES tells of another load of logs dumped on the main street, due to the extremely rough condition of the roadbed.

Farmers' Union Junior Reserves Camp For 4 Days

Washington County Farmers Union Junior Reserves returned Friday from four days spent at Camp Mac, Glenwood, Oregon, the first all-county camp held in the state. Mrs. Richard Moeller of Blooming was camp director, and Mrs. Arnold Gnos, also of Blooming, planned and prepared the meals.

The fun schedule of swimming, hiking, games and singing was balanced with some serious study in classes and evening movies shown by Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Smith of Hillsboro, who made the trip to camp each night. One day to be remembered was Thursday when Mrs. B. W. Gent, former Washington County Farmers Union junior leader, arrived in time for lunch with fried chicken for all the gang.

The art of conducting a business meeting according to parliamentary rules was learned by doing under the guidance of Mrs. N. G. Johnson of Blooming. Mrs. Johnson also instructed an afternoon class in handicrafts. Mrs. Moeller's class was "Know Your Farmers Union," and Mrs. J. R. Smurthwaite of Cedar Mill local, led a class in human relations. "Know Your Fellowman," Mrs. W. A. Price, also of Cedar Mill local, provided transportation to and from camp.

Visitors were: Evelyn Sainsbury and Jessie Ulm, state junior leaders; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Thomas and daughter, Mary Jane, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Gent and son, Gregory; Mrs. Casey Jones of Hillsboro, Arnold, Joyce and Bobby Gnos; Richard and Tommy Moeller.

Farmers Union Junior Reserves enrolled were: Dallas Boge, Lee Moeller, Ruby Hering, Gail Jones, Billy Price, Rodney Bigler, Joann Ingles, Rose Marie and Marianna Krautscheid, Mary Ellen Plass, Dolores Shaper, Doreen Maher, Richard McRoberts, Don Waring, Earl Hering and Mary Smurthwaite.

THREE WEEK VACATION

Miss Katherine Dessinger of Pacific Ave. in enjoying a three weeks vacation from her duties at a Forest Grove bank.

The first week she will take a motor trip with some friends to Glacier National Park in Montana. She plans to spend the remaining time at the beaches.

CROFT-WORTHY ANNOUNCE DAY OF WEDDING ON AUGUST 19TH

By Mrs. W. A. Bunnell

WEST SLOPE—Saturday August 19th is the date set for the wedding of Zelma Ruth Worthy, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Lamb of Portland and Joseph R. Worthy of Kansas City to Lester Raymond Croft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Croft of Multnomah. The ceremony is to be held at the Valley United Community Church in West Slope at eight-thirty in the evening. Reverend H. A. Armitage officiating. Violet Kramer will be maid of honor, Norma Russell and Barbara Jones, bridesmaids, and Beth and Rita Taylor, flower girls. Best man will be Nicholas J. Sumich, ushers Robert Heintz and James Croft, soloist William Miller of Portland. Many out-of-town guests are expected for the wedding.

GUEST FROM CALIF.

Recent visitors at the B. C. Daniels home were Mrs. Daniel's brother, Mr. Charles MacKenzie, and Mrs. MacKenzie of Oakland, California, who spent several days here and have returned to their home. Visiting now at the Daniels home are the Misses Diana and Gail MacKenzie of Salinas, California.

ROWDIES' RENDEZVOUS

Harold Webb, of McChesney road lost a blanket and pillow from his car Friday night when he left it parked near his home. A car of unknown persons had been making a rendezvous of the same section of the road for several nights, creating much disturbance and leaving the ground littered with beer bottles, and it is thought they were responsible for the theft.

METOLIUS ADVENTURE

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Fisher and daughter Linda Lou have returned from a two weeks' vacation spent on the Metolius river with friends. Women of the party stayed in camp in cabins while the men packed in on horseback nine miles for fishing, which proved quite successful. Larry Fisher, their son, has taken a position as messenger in the First National Bank in Portland.

WEEK AT CANNON BEACH

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller are spending a week vacationing at Cannon Beach.

TIL AFTER LABOR DAY

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Foster and son plan to leave August 20th for Spokane where they will visit till the day after Labor Day.

HEAD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Mrs. G. D. Thompson left for San Francisco last Tuesday and was expected back the early part of this week. Dr. Thompson, her husband, has been appointed head of the Board of Health in Montana and will leave for that state September 1st.

JOINT BIRTHDAY FETE

Mrs. W. D. Williams entertained sixteen young guests at her home on Saturday, July 22nd, for the joint birthdays of her son, Jeffrey, who was eight, and her daughter Pamela, who was six. The party was held in the family parlor, which was decorated for the occasion in an Indian-cowboy motif, which featured the days activities. Musical games were the entertainment for the afternoon.

W. Slope Church Bills Guest For Pulpit Next Sun.

The Valley Community United Presbyterian church, S. W. Brentwood Avenue and Laurelwood Drive, West Slope, will have as its guest minister next Sunday morning Rev. Virgil Savage, pastor of the Baptist church of Redmond, Oregon.

During the month of August and for the first week in September there will be no Sunday school at the 10 o'clock hour, but at 11 o'clock the nursery and beginner departments will meet in their rooms.

The other Sunday school classes are urged to attend the 11 o'clock worship service.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gestring, and Mrs. Harriet Francis, mother of Mrs. Gestring, have been busy with visitors from out of town during the past two weeks. One of these was Mrs. Julia Halstead, who came from Long Beach, California, to spend ten days, leaving after her visit here for a stay with her son in Hermiston. Also visiting at the Gestring home were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Beeking, and Mrs. George Fogel of Grand Island, Nebraska. Carlton Gestring returned home Tuesday from a two weeks' camping trip with a group of boys from the YMCA at Camp Meehan, near Spirit Lake.

PARENTS IN SPOKANE

Mrs. Don Hood and two children returned home Tuesday from a visit to Mrs. Hood's parents and sister in Spokane.

MOVING TO NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Reed have sold their home on Sheffman Way to Philip Nock of Portland and are moving this week end to a newly purchased home on Terrace Drive in Portland Heights. Mr. Nock is a salesman for Bralley Graham and plans to be married in the near future.

TEEN-AGE DANCE PARTY

Peter Dittmar, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Dittmar of Tad's Custard Shop was honored with his first dancing party at the home of his parents on Saturday night, marking his fifteenth birthday. Eleven teen-agers were present. A record player provided music for dancing, and a refreshment bar was an added touch to the evening.

CAMPING AT COOS BAY

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Myers left Sunday for Coos Bay, where they will spend the next two weeks camping and visiting relatives. They accompanied their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ford, of Reedsport, who visited here over the weekend.



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