

CROWDED JUNEAU LIKED BY G. I.'S IN FROM ALEUTS

Night Life, Serious Side Offered Visitors—Frontier Alaska Town Friendly.

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Juneau, Alaska—(U.P.)—This is one war-crowded frontier city the G-I kids do not gripe about, because Juneau likes them and the place reminds them a little of home.

To troops fresh from Attu, Kiska and Adak, the Alaskan capital pretty nearly represents the ultimate in civilization. They like the neon lights, the gayety and glitter of the night spots, and the chromium-trimmed, mirror-paneled restaurants.

Friendly Town
"Friendliest town I was ever in," asserted T/Sgt. D. E. Wallace, San Antonio, Tex., just in from the Aleutians. "After a year of living in tents and quon-

Leatherneck in Action



This dramatic photo of action during the recent Tarawa Island invasion shows an American Marine (foreground) taking aim at a Jap sniper amid the shambles of the embattled Pacific outpost. Although caption did not indicate sniper, arrow points to object that might be the enemy. (Official Marine Corps photo from Acme.)

sets, a trip to Juneau is the next best thing to going home on furlough.

The troops like Juneau girls and the clean, well-stocked shops and the fact that the majority of bar owners have the good sense to sell the best brands of liquor at moderate prices. They get a kick out of Juneau's women taxi drivers, the friendly waitresses, the barbers who make a positive ritual of cutting your hair.

Like Dance Band

They enthusiastically approve such out-of-this-world dance bands as the trio at the Northern club, which is composed of a singing Negro drummer, a Chiccat Indian saxophonist and a white woman who beats out piano boogie as if she invented it.

The woolly kids in from the mud, fog and horizontal rains of the islands especially like the ornate bubble room of the Baranof hotel, where you may sit in deep-cushioned comfort with your date, surrounded by murals, scenic paintings and discreetly shaded lights and watch naval and army personnel from the far corners of the north Pacific enjoying themselves.

There are no "officers only" signs on the doors of the bubble room. Buck privates and ordinary seamen get the same service as generals and admirals, and with the former it is a matter of some pride they usually have prettier girls than the latter.

Student Interest

Serious-minded G-I visitors—and there are plenty of them—haunt the large territorial museum, where they absorb, among other interesting items, the facts

BRITISH WOMEN SEEK SHARE IN HOUSE SAVINGS

Believe They Should Keep Savings Above Allowances For Housekeeping.

By Dudley Ann Harmon
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London (U.P.)—British housewives, who cope cheerfully with medieval household appliances, are displaying a rebellious spirit against the recent high court of appeals ruling that what they save from housekeeping allowances belongs to their husbands.

Led by Dr. Edith Summerskill, a labor member of parliament, women are planning to present a petition for repeal of a law passed in 1856 and just upheld in London.

"I have placed my resolution before the house and, while the struggle will be a long and hard one, this is the first request—concerning economic status for 9,000,000 housewives—of its kind," Dr. Summerskill told the United Press.

Dr. Summerskill's resolution asks that women be guaranteed a reasonable share in household savings. The Married Women's association of Britain wants stronger action—equal financial status of wife with husband.

"If a man earns £5 a week," says an association official, and £4 goes for housekeeping, the husband should divide the remaining £2 with his wife."

The current row is the result of an event which took place 12 years ago.

At that time Mrs. Dorothy Blackwell, an Oxford housewife, joined a cooperative society with money saved by taking in lodgers. She did all the work for the boarders herself. When she separated from her husband in 1931, an Oxford housewife ruled that the £100 she saved in the cooperative belonged to her husband. His decision was upheld at a court of appeals trial in London last month.

In handing down the ruling, three men judges opined that, if a housewife were allowed to appropriate savings from her allowance, she might skimp on her husband's food. They alleged that, if this were to become law, husbands would be fearful of giving their wives more than the minimum amount.

The British housewife disagrees. "I think husband and wife should share equally," said four out of five women I stopped on London streets today.

The Married Women's association and the newspapers have been deluged with irate letters from housewives since the ruling. A typical one says, "If a housewife can use her talent to scrimp even a shilling a week from her allowance, she deserves not only that shilling, but a halo."

A British housewife slaves twice as long and hard as her American counterpart. I know, because with the lack of wartime malds, I've become one. My flat is in the most modern part of London, but in my spare time I struggle with a "geyser," supposed to heat water but apt to go temperamental. I haul my garbage down three flights of stairs—there's no lift. I make my fires, instead of depending on central heating, and clear away the ashes.

The repeal of the 1856 law is only one phase of a "blanket bill" women hope to see parliament pass, abolishing 30 discriminatory acts against their sex. Praised by men for their heroic part in the war effort, they resent being paid less than men on the same war job—losing their citizenship when they marry foreigners—and other discriminatory rulings.

MACKENZIE KING LEAVES
Washington, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—Canadian Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King left today for a short southern vacation. He may confer here with President Roosevelt upon the latter's return from Cairo.

that many of the Haida Indians, when first discovered by white men, had red hair, and that Eskimo hunters still tip their lances with clean green jade which they obtain from a mountain on the Kobus river.

"I could spend a month in this place," stated a studious looking corporal. "Did you know that an Australoid race, descended from a Japanese tribe, once lived on this coast? Somebody kicked 'em out, and it took 2000 years for 'em to come back so we could kick 'em out again."

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CORRESPONDENT ILL

Honolulu, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—Richard W. Johnson, United Press staff correspondent who accompanied the marine invasion of Tarawa on Nov. 20, has been hospitalized for acute bronchitis. Doctors said the illness resulted from prolonged immersion while wading ashore and because he remained in his wet clothes for three days on the battle-swept beachhead.

MORE SUGAR

San Francisco, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—Hawaii increased its cane sugar production during 1943 despite a severe labor shortage, John E. Russell, president of the Hawaii Sugar Planters' association, reported today in an annual statement released here.

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"UNOFFICIAL" TROTH

Hollywood, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—Blonde K. T. Stevens, pretty actress daughter of Director Sam Wood, today announced her "unofficial" engagement to Millionaire Sportsman Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, now a lieutenant (jg) in the navy.

WEATHER

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Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m. — Too late to classify 12:30 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY HEAD RETIRING THIS MONTH

New York, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—Commissioner Edward J. Parker, national commander of the Salvation army, will retire from active service at the end of this month after 58 years of continuous service. It was announced today. He is 74.

KING HAS FLU
London, Dec. 7—(U.P.)—King George VI is ill with influenza and will be confined to his room for several days, Buckingham palace announced today. The king's illness was not regarded as serious, but doctors advised confinement as a precaution. He became ill last Friday night.

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