

Medford Co-Pilot Pays Call On Distant German Cousins

An Eighth AAF Bomber Station, England—2 Lt. Jack R. Kemnitz, 25, of Medford, Ore., co-pilot of the Flying Fortress "Puppy Breath," paid a strictly non-social call on his umpteenth cousin, a dozen times removed when he took part in a recent Eighth AAF bombing attack on industrial targets near Chemnitz, Germany.

"I practically got a crack at the old ancestral homestead," said the Oregon flier on his return from the longest round-trip overland mission of the Eighth Air Force to date. "Hundreds of years ago, when Germany was just a bunch of little kingdoms, my great-great-grandfather, some-grandfather, named Chemnitz, founded the town of Chemnitz. Thank God at least one of his offspring later moved to America. I wouldn't want to be living in Chemnitz or anywhere else in Germany today."

Lt. Kemnitz described the mission as the toughest of the eleven he has flown thus far. "At least 100 Nazi fighters hit us en route to the target," he said, "and they pressed their attacks to the point of flying right through the formation. Forts

and fighters were going down all over the sky. It looked as though someone had lit a whole boxful of matches and tossed them into the air. I saw a Messerschmitt 109, its pilot apparently dead, smash head-on into a Fort just ahead and a little below us. Another Fort slid under us blazing like a torch but still firing from all guns."

Before joining the AAF, Lt. Kemnitz was employed by the Great Northern Railway at Clatskanie, Ore., and prior to that was athletic coach at Butte Falls high school. He is a graduate of Southern Oregon College of Education at Ashland. Recently he was awarded the Air Medal.

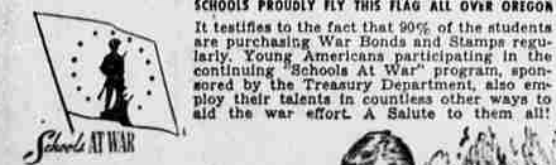
Lt. and Mrs. Kemnitz are the parents of a son, William Fred, born May 18 at the Camp White Station hospital. Mrs. Kemnitz is making her home at 1815 Prune street, Medford.

LEISERSON RESIGNS

Washington, June 9—(U.P.)—The White House today announced the resignation of William M. Leiserson as chairman of the National Mediation board and of the National Railway Labor panel.

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REGISTRATION OF RENTAL PROPERTY FIRST REQUISITE

Filing of Information With Local Board Is Requirement in Control Measures

By Don C. Wilson
Associate Rent Director

The landlord's first responsibility under the Rent Regulation is the registration of his rental property. This must be done for all living units and each unit must be identified so that an inspector may locate it without difficulty. The landlord is required to complete this registration and file it in his local area office within thirty days from the time of first rental.

Penalties are provided in the Act for failure of the landlord to register. Also, in case the rent director should lower the rent, the cut is retroactive to the time of first rental, or October 1, 1943, whichever is later.

This applies to all rents registered now and henceforward. Registrations must be made for housing accommodations just put on the market for the first time, whether they are newly built units or provided through remodeling or division of floor space formerly rented.

Variation Illegal
The first rent is the Maximum Legal Rent until and unless the rent director has occasion to change the amount of the rental. Any variation "except to charge less" is illegal, without due process through the local rent control office and an order from the rent director.

These registrations when filed in the local office are dated, processed, and stamped and are segregated according to their classification, such as five room house, two room apartment, etc. Each case is submitted to comparison to similar rental units to determine whether or not it is in line. The criterion for final judgment is similar rentals on the freeze date, March 1, 1942. In other words, a new rental must be within a reasonable range of similar rentals on the freeze date.

If from the comparison made in the office the new registration appears within a typical range, it is filed and the landlord's and tenant's copies are mailed to them. If it appears higher than the typical range on similar accommodation, it is set aside for inspection. In its turn it is checked by a rent inspector and if it still appears too high, a rent director's initiative proceedings results. The landlord is notified of this proceeding and is given an opportunity to give his objections to the proposal.

All these objections must be made in writing and are made a part of the file. The complete file is checked again by the inspector then by an examiner, who finally prepares an order with his recommendation for the rent director's signature. The change in rent becomes

Romantic Role



Ann Savage stars with Tom Neal in the thrilling, romantic story of the Yukon, "Klondike Kate," which opens at the Holly Sunday for three days only. Along with the Yukon story is "Hat Check Honey," with a cast of Hollywood favorites headed by Leon Errol and Grace McDonald.

effective on the next rent-paying date following that of the order and becomes the maximum legal rent until and unless it is changed again by the rent director.

Registration under the regulation must be made for every living unit for which rent is charged, whether in cash or services. Even temporary or emergency rentals must be registered. Business and professional rentals do not come under the rent regulation or the jurisdiction of rent control.

Farms Unregulated
In the case of farm property, the rental does not come under the regulation. The test to be applied to determine whether or not the property is a farm is whether the tenant is engaged for a substantial portion of his time in farming operations thereon.

Registration blanks are available in the local rent office. They may be completed in person at the office by the landlord or will be mailed upon request. They are made out in triplicate and the original remains in the office after processing as outlined above. The duplicate goes to the landlord and the triplicate to the tenant.

Except in the case of rooming houses and hotel rentals, each change of tenancy should be reported to the rent control office on Form D-23. This form identifies the living unit, the amount of rent charged, provides a record of any changes made in the rental and is signed and dated by both the landlord and the tenant. It is required to be filed by the landlord.

It is the landlord's responsibility under the regulation to inform himself as to the provisions of the regulation and act accordingly. It is the tenant's obligation to find out the protection afforded him by the rent regulation and his responsibility to the landlord as a tenant.

In City Hall

The Medford Defence Rental Area comprises all of Jackson County. The rent control office is in the city hall in Medford and is a part of the war price and ration board set-up. The telephone number is Medford 7126. Mrs. Evelyn Wamberg is the secretary. Any correspondence should be so addressed and the office is open from 9:30 to 4:30 daily, Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 and until 12:30 on Saturdays.

Copies of the regulation and a pamphlet of questions and answers on federal rent control are available at the office, or by mail, and contain the answers to most questions of landlords and tenants.

Clark and Staff Vatican Visitors

Vatican City, June 9—(U.P.)—Pope Pius XII received Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of the Fifth army, for a 10-minute private conference in the Vatican library today.

Later the Pope went to an outer room and greeted members of Clark's party which included high-ranking Fifth army officers and officers of the Allied military government.

American soldiers wounded in this war have nearly twice as great a chance for survival as those wounded in the World War, according to the war department.

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YANKEE INFANTRY DEFIES DEATH ON INVASION BEACH

Streams of 50 Calibre Bullets Greet First to Land; One in 96 Makes Shore.

By Jack Foster, Y2C, USNR
Representing combined American Press (Distributed by United Press)
Aboard the U. S. S. Henrico, June 6—(U.P.)—Sheer guts won a foothold on the beach we are attacking.

Leg-weary small boatmen returning to this amphibious transport from the first wave are almost reverent in their praise of American infantrymen who charged the beaches in the face of murderous fire. Each coxswain and gunner tells the same story.

The first crest rode in a choppy sea without being fired upon. On the beach most of the LCPVs and LCMs grounded on a sandbar a few feet from shore. GIs removed their rifles from waterproof containers and prepared to wade through hip-deep surf. Then the boat ramp went down. The Yanks charged.

Met Bullet Stream
They were greeted by streams of .50 calibre machinegun bul-

lets coming from concealed German pillboxes.

Coxswain Richard Andrews, 18, Hughesville, Pa., was at the tiller of the first LCPV to get back from the initial assault.

"Everything was quiet as we approached the shore," he said. "Most of the soldiers thought the beach would be a pushover. My gunners, Lowell Duncan, 18, a seaman 1st class, from Muskegon, Mich., and Fred Backus, 19, Russell, N. Y., yanked down the ramp. The infantry officer drew his pistol and waved his men after him as the first group of men left the boat. The machine-guns opened up. They mowed the troops down. Still the men in the boat pressed forward, but the fire dropped them into the water. We pulled out as fast as we could. I never saw anything like those troops running right into the face of that fire."

One in 96 Survives
One of the navy boatmen loud-est in his praise of the infantrymen was Jerry Dever, SIC, of Tacoma, Wash., a gunner aboard an LCM which hit the beach with 96 soldiers.

"None of them faltered," Dever said. "They followed their officers, shouting as they went, but the fire was too much for them. I saw only one man reach shore."

The rest of Dever's story was told by Ensign J. L. Sundee, Moorehead, Minn., in command of the boat.

"Dever," he said, "leaped in to the surf before I could stop him and piled seven wounded men into the craft before the fire forced us to shove off."

Small Hope For Early Increases in Gas Rationing

Washington, June 9—(U.P.)—Government officials said today there was little if any possibility of an early increase in civilian gasoline rationing despite the belief in some quarters that the black market is thriving on an "apparent surplus" of the fuel.

The American Automobile Association early this week urged government rationing and petroleum officials to increase "A" and "B" gasoline rations, saying there was an "apparent surplus" which, if not permitted to flow into legal channels, would find its way into the black market.

Lt. Clyde W. Ehrhardt, center on Georgia's 1943 Rose Bowl winners, now is 417th Infantry regimental recreation officer at Camp McCoy, Wis.

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