

DR. HOOTON URGES MEN OVER 45 AS WORLD POLICEMEN

Howard Savant Advocates
Handling Post-War Prob-
lems by Middle Aged

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 11—(U.P.)—A world police force made up entirely of men over 45 to handle postwar military occupation problems was proposed today by Dr. Earnest A. Hooton, Harvard anthropologist.

"These men would have completed their families and the greater part of their life work, and might well devote their remaining years to service in payment of the benefits and happiness they have enjoyed," said Dr. Hooton who turned 57 last month. "Why should the old

al like dancing and the young pay the piper? If we must feed the swine, let us stop casting pearls and start giving them husks.

"We might as well have our coronary thrombosis on the battlefield as on the golf course."

"Besides," he said in an interview, "if men all over the world did not reach military age until their 45th year, it would all come out even and the tempo of warfare would be slowed down everywhere. In any event, we would better wait and see how old Germans fight before we scratch off the senile as unfit for military service."

Dr. Hooton believes that this army of middle-aged males could be increased by automatically qualifying for selective service anyone who applies for a divorce.

"Since our main purpose is the preservation of the American family, it is clear that we need not exempt from military duties individuals who have failed in their family life," he explained. "The older men are no longer needed by their families and often both have had enough of each other anyhow. These

men would be satisfied with plenty of cigars. Their wives, emancipated from maternal duties, could become nurses, Wages and Wacs. Of course, this would be hard on the teachers of bridge.

"If a man of 50 falls in battle—or in trying to train for it—the country has only lost about one-sixth of a life, and not the best sixth, at that. It has lost nothing at all from the standpoint of biological survival, and not much from an economic standpoint. When a boy of 18 is killed, the country has lost a whole life, including everything that has been put into education and upbringing. It has also lost the possible progeny of the individual sacrificed in youth."

ACHED FROM BULLET
Chicago—(U.P.)—Abe Berger's shoulder has been bothering him ever since a night four years ago when two stickup men jumped him as he was homeward bound. In the fight, one of the men hit him on that shoulder. Recently, Berger went to a doctor, who examined the aching shoulder and removed a .32-caliber bullet.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon. Please remember.

SEABEE OFFICER WILL INTERVIEW INTERESTED MEN

A Seabee interviewing officer from the Portland navy recruiting station will be at the Medford substation in the Postoffice building from 12 noon until 6 p. m. on Monday, Dec. 18, to provide information concerning the petty officer ratings which have recently been reopened in the navy's famous construction units.

Any man between the ages of 17 and 50½, inclusive, is eligible for a rating if he can qualify physically and technically and if he is not already in an essential industry, it is explained by Specialist First Class Herb Crain, in charge of the substation.

Seventeen-year-olds and men between 38 and 50½ can enlist immediately, and the plan of voluntary induction has been reopened to draft-age men (18 to

38). If found qualified for a rating by the visiting interviewing officer, they may apply to their draft boards for voluntary induction into the Seabees.

The recruiter announces that the following ratings are now open in the construction battalions: electricians (line, station and general), bulldozer and carry-all operators, patrol graders, riggers, crane operators, welders, blacksmiths, plumbers, pipefitters, hatch bosses, winchmen, stevedores, surveyors and draftsmen.

HINT EARTHQUAKE IN SOLOMON AREA

New York, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—A "fairly severe" earthquake, at a distance of about 8,400 miles in the direction of the Solomon islands, was recorded yesterday on seismographic instruments at Fordham university, Father Joseph Lynch, seismologist, reported today.

Two shocks were recorded, Father Lynch said, one at 12:43 p. m. (EWT) and the second at 12:50 p. m.

Cpl. M. K. Williams In Troop Cited For Action Above Anzio

Cpl. Marshall K. Williams, son of C. J. Williams, route 1, box 550-C, is a member of the 36th division cavalry reconnaissance troop, which has been cited for exceptional performance in Italy, according to a news story from Stars and Stripes received by his sister, Mrs. D. G. Miller, route 1, box 109-G.

"Participating in the 29-day push from the Anzio beachhead area through Rome to the hills overlooking Pisa, the troop distinguished itself in many instances," the article stated.

The troop received much credit for the allied success above Rome when they braved artillery, mortar and small arms fire to make hazardous forward reconnaissances and to maintain contact between adjacent units, the article further said.

Cpl. Williams is now in France, the troop having been recently assigned to that area. He has been in the army more than two years and overseas for the last 21 months.

TAXPAYERS ASK INCREASE

Benton, Ill.—(U.P.)—The Franklin county board of review has granted a most unusual petition. A group of Ewing township residents asked that their tax assessments be increased. The request

was said to have been prompted by the taxpayers' desire to increase the amount of tax revenue funds available for township government functions.

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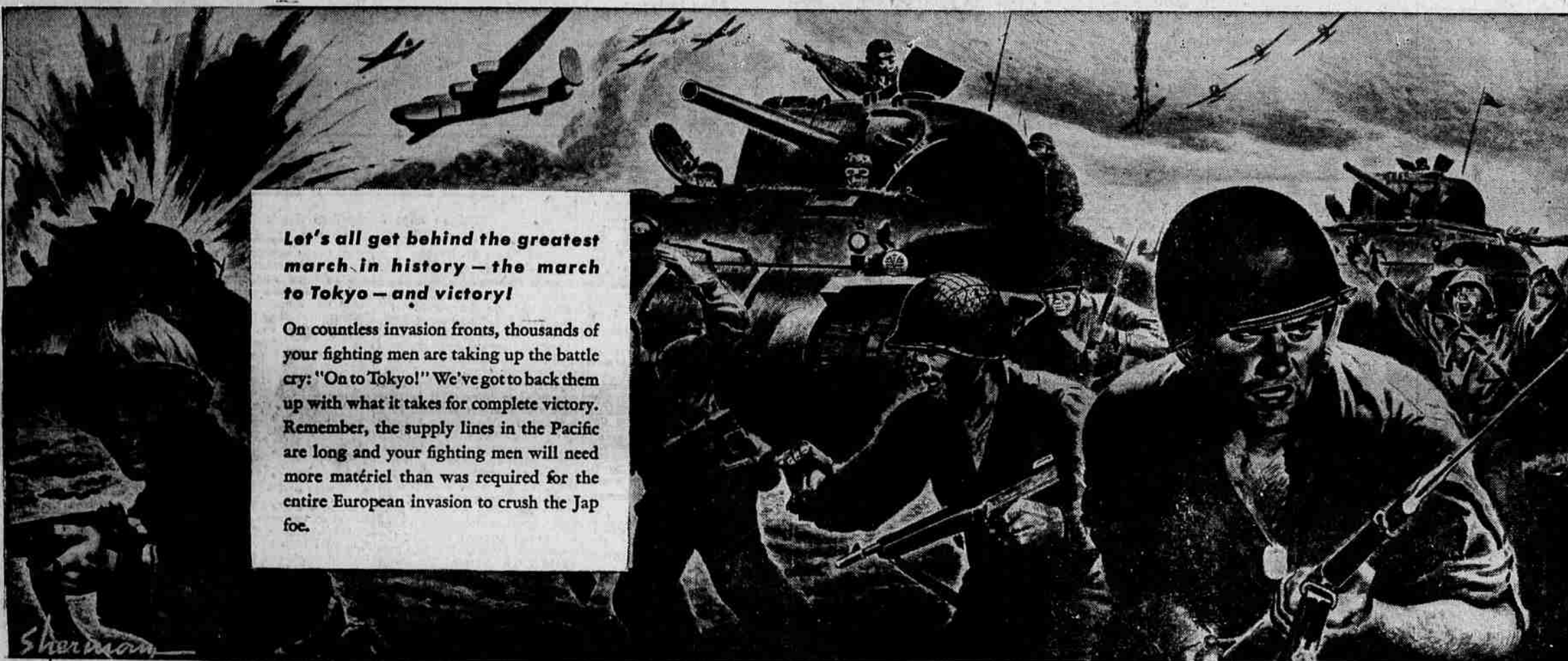
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