

# OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



**WORKING AT ARMY POST**—Auxiliary Bertha L. Ulrich, 534 Main street, Klamath Falls, is a member of a Women's Army corps unit now working at Minter Field, California. The WACs have taken over many jobs there, particularly administrative jobs in the post headquarters.

She went to the army post from the first WAC training center at Fort Des Moines, Ia., where she received special military training for this work.



**AT STINSON FIELD**—First Lieutenant Lloyd E. Conrady whose wife, Mary E. Conrady, resides at 103 42nd avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi has reported at the Stinson Field air depot training station for duty.



After graduating from Klamath Union high school in Klamath Falls, he became a bookkeeper before enlisting in the service in September, 1940, at Klamath Falls. Having served at Gulfport Field, Miss. Fort Stevens, Oregon, and Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Lieutenant Conrady came to Stinson on June 19, 1943. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Peter Conrady, reside at 2159 Arthur street, Klamath Falls.

**FORT DES MOINES, Ia.**—Auxiliary Beth Robley of Merrill has completed training in the motor transport school of the first women's army corps training center here.

WACs attend motor transport school learn inspection, maintenance and operation of army trucks and motor vehicles.



**URBANA - CHAMPAIGN, Ill.** In the first group of soldiers assigned to the University of Illinois for the army specialized training program is Russell L. Fairchild, 944 Eldorado street, Klamath Falls.

Instructional activities of the ASTP at Illinois began July 12. The men are under military discipline at all times. They are quartered in some two dozen fraternity houses which have been taken over for this purpose.

Their instructors are university faculty members who also teach regular courses. Instruction is by 12-week periods. The men must make satisfactory grades to continue in the ASTP.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pentecost of Airway avenue, Klamath Falls, have two sons in the marines.

PFC Robert F. Pentecost enlisted in the marines in September, 1941. He was home on furlough when Pearl Harbor was bombed and left immediately for his base in San Diego. Robert was in Guadalcanal for four months where he got malaria. He is now in the U. S. naval hospital at Corona, Calif. He will be 19 years old on August 17.

Another son, Earl F. Frame, enlisted in the marine corps in February, 1941. After graduation from boot camp he was transferred to Jacksonville, Fla., air corps mechanics school. When he finished this course he was chosen as a Judo instructor and is now in San Diego. He was an honor guard to China's first lady, Mme. Chiang Kai-shek, when she visited California.

**LETTER FROM SON**—The following is taken from a letter from Chester Bunnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bunnell of West Klamath. Young Bunnell is now stationed somewhere in the Middle East:



"Here is another little note just to mention that everything is all right. There isn't anything to worry about because things are now pretty safe. The going was and is kind of rough, but those things are unimportant. But what I really wanted to say is, don't worry or feel sorry for me. I'll be all right. I'm off to help in one of the most important jobs a fellow will ever be asked to do, and that's fighting for the good old USA. I don't mean the America we studied about in school, in history books, etc. That isn't the America I'm going to defend. America to me is the townsite we live on, the guys I have worked with, the people next door, the millions of people like us, Catholic, Protestant, or what have you—that's my America.

"Furthermore, I don't want anyone to touch my America. I don't want anyone to tell me Oregon isn't mine any more. I don't want to see our home destroyed. I don't want our home touched—in fact, I am glad I'm here, and will go wherever they send me and be most willing. I don't mind being sent thousands of miles across the seas—I would a million times rather fight the enemy on his own soil than on mine. As long as I have anything to do with it, you will never hear what an enemy bomb sounds like and you will never see what an enemy tank looks like. We'll keep our landscape clean and quiet. The men who know say that this is a big war, but I have my way of looking at it. I see it as quite a little war. It is no bigger than my heart. It takes in you, dad, Gloria, Babe and all my sisters and brothers, the home we live in, Bishops and Kennedys next door, my friends; so that's not a big war.

"Yet, maybe it is at that. Maybe it really is bigger than the biggest country and the widest ocean. But I guess what we are really fighting for is for love, for our folks, for sisters and brothers, for the friendly light shining in the front room window. These are my America.

"So don't you sit around worrying or grieving for me. Keep a grin on your face and a song in your heart for America. Just remember as long as I'm thousands of miles away, so is the enemy. And this is his back doorstep I'm on, and he's not on ours. It's just the way we intend to keep it.

"With all my love, your son, 'CHET.'"

**STUFFED SHIRT**  
DANBURY, Conn., (AP)—Police who arrested a man here on a charge of intoxication said that when they picked him up he was trying to conceal a watermelon under his shirt but couldn't because he already had on his person:

Two jars of skin lotion, an automobile rear-vision mirror, a can of shoe polish, several ears of corn, a jar of cheese spread, parts for an automobile brake assembly, a jar of pepper relish and one dill pickle.

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