

WAYNE YANCEY IN FRENCH INVASION

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yancey have heard from their son, Wayne, that he was in the invasion forces on D-Day, June 6. He is a fireman 1/2 with the navy.

In a letter received by his parents, he wrote that he was now in England safe and sound and that no members of the crew of his ship had been hurt.



NEW PINE CREEK—Cpl. Edward Burgoyne, who has spent 30 months in the U. S. marines in the South Pacific, is here on a 30-day furlough visiting with his sister, Mrs. Leola Turpin and other relatives. Cpl. Burgoyne was in at least two major battles, the last being the battle of Tarawa which island the Japs had quite well fortified with a machinegun nest about every 15 feet. It seemed clear around the island with scattering heavy artillery. So well was it defended that out of the first wave of marines sent against it one officer and one private survived. Heavy firing from the naval vessels, however, did effective softening of the defenses and the next wave sent against it fared much better until finally it was taken over by the marines. Out of the 4000 Japs seeming to be on the island 40 prisoners were taken.

The corporal explained the reason they didn't take prisoners was because the Japs could not be trusted under any circumstances. They are so full of treachery. One instance he cited was when three Japs were taken by two marines. They came marching up with their arms half raised. When they came up to the marines, who proceeded to search them, they let fall six hand grenades which they were carrying concealed in their armpits and blew themselves and two marines into bits.

Another trick they had was when a detachment of marines would capture a machinegun nest of three Japs. The three Japs would advance as told toward the group of marines. When they got fairly close the middle Jap would suddenly drop flat on his stomach and the two on each side of him would fall on him and start firing a small machinegun strapped to the middle Jap's back. The group of marines would thus be mowed down to the last man. Conclusion—no Japs were to be trusted so they were shot.

Another trick or type of fighting was after the three came marching out of the foxhole to pull the machinegun trick they were henceforth shot. The marines then would take a hurried look at the foxhole. Apparently it was empty so they would go on. Subsequent marines following up supposed everything was clear but to their amazement a machine commenced belching hot lead at them from the same foxhole, catching the soldiers off guard and killing large numbers of them quickly. After the foxhole was again silenced a more thorough examination was made. It would then be discovered that another foxhole was built beneath the one on top with a machinegun crew in it ready to take the place of the top hole crew if necessary. Sometimes even a third hole would be found with a crew in it, constructed vertically below the top foxhole. The answer to this menace was quickly solved by the fast-thinking and practical marines. They simply advanced to the foxhole with a large bulldozer and just buried the foxhole with tons of mud and dirt. Then over the hole proceeded the American army, with their trucks and heavy equipment.

OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



AWARDED MEDAL—James Edward McHenry, aviation machinists mate 3/c, U. S. naval reserve, was recently awarded the air medal for "meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in the line of his profession as a crew member of a plane of a torpedo squadron." McHenry, according to the citation given with the Air Medal, participated in carrier based raids against the enemy-held islands of Tarawa, Wake, Mille and Kwajalein atoll from September 18 to December 4, 1943. Said the citation: "His coolness and courage were in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service." James is also a member of the Caterpillar club which membership he attained through making an emergency parachute jump on August 20, 1943. The letter to McHenry from the Pioneer Parachute company telling him of his membership and the Caterpillar club and the Air Medal citation were received here recently by Mrs. Hazel McHenry, box 484, Klamath Falls, from James.

IN NEW GUINEA—Word has been received here that Pvt. James Comer, son of Mrs. George Bollenbaugh, is in New Guinea. Before entering the armed forces, James made his home with his sister, Mrs. John L. Hawkins of 3152 Lodi street. He also has another sister, Mrs. Charles Ropp of this city. Pvt. Comer is in the medical corps. He entered the service just a year ago. He received his training at Camp Bkeley, Tex. and at Camp Beale, Calif.

OVERSEAS—Second Lt. Jay D. Oslander, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Oslander of 1510 Worden street, Klamath Falls, is now overseas with the army in England. Before entering the army he was employed by the Southern Pacific railroad as an engineer.

HOME—Second Lieutenant Ben Goddard left Saturday, June 24, for Lincoln, Neb., after visiting here for a week with his mother, Mrs. Dora Goddard of 424 Mt. Whitney. He is a recent graduate of the aviation school at San Marcos army air field in Texas. He graduated from KUHS in 1936 and also attended grade school here.

SAN ANTONIO, AVIATION CADET CENTER, Texas.—At the San Antonio Aviation Cadet center, the present class consists of 29 men from Oregon. Among them is Delbert L. Yantis of route 3, box 856, Klamath Falls.

Classified Ads Bring Results.



that he did not take part in the invasion. Captain Robert R. Gordon has also been heard from by his parents, and said that he had not been sent out of England as yet.

Pvt. Wilbur Ferguson of an army ambulance corps division, has been heard from by friends, and he also has not been sent out of England yet.

IN ENGLAND—T/5 Warren Barthman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Barthman of this city has been in England for the last two months, according to word received by his parents.

He received his basic training at Camp Wallace, Texas, in the anti-aircraft division. Later he was transferred to the signal corps at Camp Shelby, Miss., before being sent overseas. He is a sharpshooter, having a perfect score with the carbine rifle.

He was employed by the Lost River dairy in the summer of 1942 before going into the service.

AT MARCH FIELD—A co-pilot on a B-24, Second Lt. Clyde Horsley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Horsley of Bonanza, is stationed at March Field in California.

Lt. Horsley is a graduate of the Bonanza schools and took his cadet training at Chico. He received his wings at Douglas, Arizona in March.

Lt. Francis S. Landrum, of Klamath Falls, Ore., has completed the army air forces training command's four-engine pilot transition course at Hobbs army air field, Hobbs, N. M., according to the announcement of Colonel Joseph P. Bailey, commanding officer at Hobbs field.

Completion of his transition training at Hobbs army air field qualifies Lt. Landrum as a Flying Fortress commander, the announcement said.

Lt. Landrum was commissioned as second lieutenant and received his pilot's wings at Douglas, Ariz., March 12, 1944. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hasten D. Landrum of 2734 Derby, Klamath Falls.

AN EIGHTH AAF LIBERATOR STATION, ENGLAND—The award of the air medal to Second Lt. Everett R. Ball of 2024 Reclamation street, Klamath Falls, Ore., pilot on a B-24 Liberator, was recently announced by Brigadier General James P. Hodges, commanding general of a bomber division in England.

Before entering the army air forces, Lieutenant Ball was a salesman of auto and radio parts. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Heber R. Ball, reside at Portland, Ore., and his wife, Mrs. Bettie Leone Ball and daughter, Carolyn Lee, live at 2024 Reclamation street, Klamath Falls, Ore.

The citation reads in part: For exceptionally meritorious

achievement while participating in bomber combat missions over enemy occupied continental Europe. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by this man upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States.

A heart-warming letter for Mrs. J. P. Roper from her son Jack, from somewhere in the Pacific, was received five days ago. It was a Mother's Day missive.

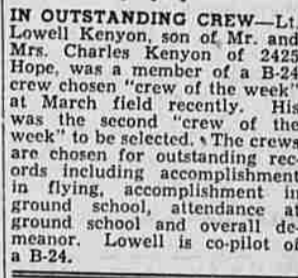
The letter, in part: "Dear Mom: Guys are awfully bashful when it comes to telling their moms how much they love 'em, just take it for granted that mom knows these things without being told. Tonight, all over the world, boys like myself are scratching away trying to tell their mothers how much they miss them and want to put their arms around them, but somehow you can't find the words to say what you want to. I'm one of the lucky ones for, though I'm a long ways from home, at least I'm living comfortably. I have a good tent, good food, showers, and now our island is secure from the enemy."

"Knowing that you are anxious to have me come home is one of the nice thoughts I have while on the other side of the world. I have good health and my work is not so bad. Once in a while I get homesick for Oregon and Klamath Falls, but I get out some of my letters and read them over again and it helps put my blues aside and think of the future."

"If it wasn't for our letters from home, this war would be so much harder to endure, for mail call is the soldier's greatest joy. I make you a solemn promise that I will stay close to you forever when I become Jack Roper, citizen, and I also promise I'll eat up all the food in your kitchen, your chickens, and eggs when I get back..."



IN OUTSTANDING CREW—Lt. Lowell Kenyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenyon of 2425 Hope, was a member of a B-24 crew chosen "crew of the week" at March field recently. His was the second "crew of the week" to be selected. The crews are chosen for outstanding records including accomplishment in flying, accomplishment at ground school, attendance at ground school and overall demeanor. Lowell is co-pilot of a B-24.



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PLANO, Ill.—Mrs. Louis Dean observed her 101st birthday today and said that she has only one birthday wish—the same she made when she celebrated her 100th anniversary.

She hopes that she may live long enough to see American soldiers return victorious from overseas.

HONOR
CHICAGO—Mrs. Morris Proger, who has been sharing her home with neglected and dependent children for 22 years, is Chicago's "ideal foster mother."

During that period, Mrs. Proger has raised 13 children—five boys and eight girls. Two of the boys are in service.

The title was conferred upon her by the united home finding service, which places some 4000 children in foster homes annually.

MISS SHARK
MAZATLAN, Mexico—Demand for shark liver vitamins has revitalized the shark fishing industry in the Gulf of California.

So much so that a shark fair with a shark queen has been planned. So far there have been no candidates for the title "Miss Shark."

LEAKY ADVICE
GREAT FALLS, Mont.—Plumber Edwin Johnson said he

couldn't attend the luncheon. A woman had called and asked him to fix a leak.

"Oh, let it go until after lunch," said club member Carl Lehman. "Some women expect you to jump at the drop of a hat."

When he returned to his office, he had a telephone call from Mrs. Lehman. "Where have you been?" she demanded. "I called the plumber but he didn't show up. Our water pipes have broken, and the basement's flooded."

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