

OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



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SPENCER RETURNS
Capt. E. W. Spencer returned to DeWitt General Hospital at Auburn, Calif., Tuesday, after a six-day convalescent leave spent with his wife's relatives here. Mrs. Spencer, who resides at Grass Valley, Calif., accompanied her husband on his visit home to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Dodson, 433 Michigan. Spencer, whose parents live in Los Angeles, enlisted in Klamath Falls, in April, 1941. He spent a year in Alaska, and on his return was married to Miss Dodson. Then he was sent to the European theater of operations, where he spent 1 1/2 years. He was a member of the 8th air force and was stationed in England, France and Belgium with the ordnance division, supplying ammunition for the air force. In France a bomb exploded too close to Capt. Spencer, the concussion hospitalizing him. He was sent to England to recuperate. Spencer's group was on bomb destroying work after the invasion, a tricky job at best. They were also detailed to observe damage of allied and enemy bombing. Buzz bombs filled the air, were shot down as often as possible by the 8th, and scattered wrecks strewed the ground about the B-17 station where Spencer was based. Capt. Spencer is entitled to wear ribbons for American Defense, Pre-Pearl Harbor, American theater of operations, European theater of operations, four Battle Stars, the Bronze Star medal, Purple Heart and the Presidential Citation. He returned March 12, 1945, from overseas, and has been receiving medical treatment since his return.

ON FURLOUGH
Klamath Falls men who arrived in this country on furlough are Capt. Claude W. Reeder and S/Sgt. Clarence Hunkler. Capt. Summers spent for 10 months in the Mediterranean theater of operations. His sister, Mrs. Evelyn Reeder, his mother, Mrs. Hooper, and grandmother, Mrs. J. F. Keckho, all live in Klamath Falls. He served in 15th air force as a flight leader on a B-24 Liberator, has 53 combat missions to credit, and 275 operational flying hours. S/Sgt. Hunkler of 2709 Derby Klamath Falls served with 15th air force in the European theater of operations as a ball gunner on a B-24 Liberator. He was overseas for months.

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KENO—Sgt. Warren R. Foster, United States army, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster, has recently written home that he is in Germany.



He entered service in June of 1943, and received his basic training at Camp Roberts in California. He was sent overseas in December of that year, and was stationed on New Caledonia for a number of months. While there, he was in clerical work most of the time, serving as postal and company clerk. In the fall of 1944, he was moved from New Caledonia to another position, from which he was sent into combat on Okinawa. Foster's wife and two-year-old son live in Klamath Falls. At the time of his enlistment he was employed in Klamath Falls as the manager of a Shell service station. He is a graduate of the Keno high school with the class of 1936, later working for the state highway department for about three years, and was also employed by F. R. Hauger of Klamath Falls, before accepting employment with the Shell Oil company.

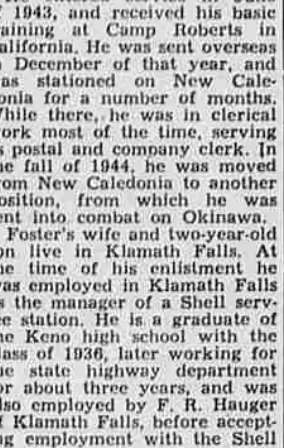


IRETON RETURNS
Sgt. Gall Iretton has returned to this country after serving for three years with the 333rd engineers. He spent 20 months overseas in England, France and Germany. He was hospitalized in the United States for six weeks before coming home on furlough to visit his mother, Mrs. Harry Kirkpatrick. Sgt. Iretton has lived in Klamath Falls for several years, and attended both grade and high school here.



DICKINSON CITED
PFC John M. Dickinson, a scout with the 5th army in Italy, whose wife, Edith, lives in Klamath Falls, has been cited by the 362nd infantry regiment of the 5th army's 91st "Powder River" division, and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat against the enemy in Italy. Standards for the badge are high. The decoration is awarded to the infantry soldier who has proved his fighting ability in combat. The handsome badge consists of a silver rifle set against a background of infantry blue, and enclosed in a silver wreath.

IN WASHINGTON
Gerald E. Einarsson, S 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Einarsson,



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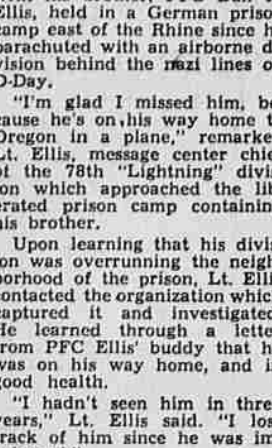
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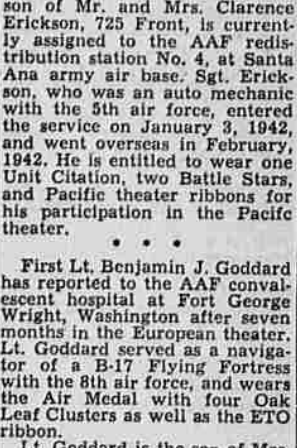
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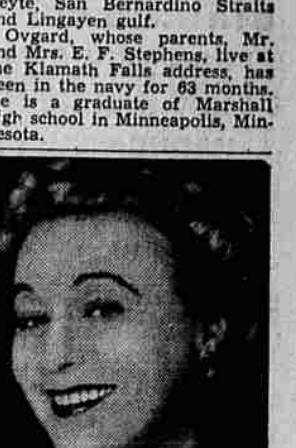
ERICKSON ON DUTY
Sgt. Clarence Erickson, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Erickson, 725 Front, is currently assigned to the AAF redistribution station No. 4, at Santa Ana army air base. Sgt. Erickson, who was an auto mechanic with the 5th air force, entered the service on January 3, 1942, and went overseas in February, 1942. He is entitled to wear one Unit Citation, two Battle Stars, and Pacific theater ribbons for his participation in the Pacific theater.



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