Men in Service

Editor's Note—Men in the armed forces, and parents, are invited to send us news of the boys' whereabouts and activities. Service men, scattered about the country, are hungry for news of their friends. Even the address of a newly-placed inducted man is of interest.

Home from Livingston

Many men from Camp Livingston, La., including about half of Company B, 125th Infantry, are home on a 10-day furlough. One we happened to meet the other day was Pvt. J. Ross Woodruff, Walker road, route 1, Birmingham.

At Atlanta

It looks as though this district is well represented at Atlanta and the 4th Corps Area. Col. F. S. Strong, president of Orchard Lake Village, and member of the engineer reserves, has been called to active duty. If memory serves right, Capt. David L. Fitch is on duty at the same city.

Can Use All Talents

FORT CUSTER—Specialists in many trades and professions are required to keep Uncle Sam's growing Army functioning. Recruit Reception Centers, like the one at Fort Custer, are trying to find the utilize such abilities of specialists who are inducted. Many butchers, bakers and machine-tool-makers are practicing their trades, but the Reception Center's biggest headache is the selectee with talents which the Army doesn't need to function.

Selectees' talents are not always as easy for the Army to use as the butcher's, bakers, etc. The War Department has estimated that the Army is interested in only 272 of the 18,000 occupations listed by the Department of Labor. Obviously a selectee with ability as an opera singer, school teacher, or window trimmer would not expect the Army to use him in his civilian capacity.

Enlist in Coast Guard

Edward Frank Welch, Rochester road and Big Beaver, enlisted July 10 in the U. S. Coast Guard. He has been assigned to New Orleans for training.

JOINS AIR CADET UNIT

WARREN B. REESE, 941 Forest avenue, Birmingham, is a member of two new aviation units formed in the Sixth Corps Area.

One of the units is from Detroit and its suburbs; the other is made up of young men from Chicago and suburbs. Two other such groups had previously been formed in Chicago and Detroit. Twenty new Army Air Corps Aviation Cadets comprise each group.

According to a new policy recently announced by General Bonesteel, young men from the same locality who have common interests and friendships may now train together throughout the 30-week Army Air Corps Aviation Cadet course, so far as the needs of the service will permit.

Aviation Cadets in the Army Air Corps will, upon successful completion of their training, be commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the Army Air Corps. During their 30 weeks as Aviation Cadets they receive room, board, uniforms, free medical and dental care, a $10,000 life insurance policy, and a pay of $75 a month. After they are commissioned, they receive the pay and allowances of officers of their grade in the Army. Like all new Aviation Cadets, the 20 newcomers to the ranks from Chicago and the 20 from Detroit will be trained in three phases—primary, basic and advanced, each sub-course lasting ten weeks.

Robert Watt, Jr., Promoted

Robert P. Watt, Jr., of 354 Hanna street, is learning to fly at Stamford-Arledge Field in Texas. He made his first solo flight July 1, and seems to be doing well. Excerpt from a recent letter to his parents:

"Back from flying line—one hour and 40 minutes today. The hour was solo—11 landings and take-offs.

"Well, the first few weeks are over and your son is now an upperclass cadet officer—a sergeant to be exact. There are 47 new 'doggo' (under classmen) due in by Wednesday—wonder if I'll know any of them!

"The position or rank of cadet sergeant in Air Corps is especially good because the four men higher than myself all have previous military training. I'm highest of those without such training. My best friend, J. S. Brockmeyer, of Auburn, Ind., is the other sergeant. He attended General Motors Institute of Technology at Flint and was class president in his senior year.

"Mother, tell Dad I've been going to the Baptist Church each Sunday in Stamford as there is no Episcopal Church here (a town)." (Mr. Watt is Baptist; Mrs. Watt Episcopalian.)

The airfield is brand new; the first class was graduated July 13.

Visits His Son

Sgt. Bill Green, of the Birmingham Police force, recently visited his son, BILL GREEN, JR., who is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, in the Missouri Ozarks. Young Bill enlisted in the regular Army more than a year ago and has been promoted to corporal.

(Editor's note—Our letters this week come far from the dusty Army camps. The writer is Jack Dunn, seaman aboard the U. S. S. Dubuque in Atlantic waters. The youth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dunn, very kindly loaned us the letters.)

Dear Mother, Dad, and Family,

It has been about three weeks since I wrote you last, but I feel that I have a good excuse. You see, the last two weeks have been spent at sea, with the exception of one day. One week I was on the Eagle Boat 27, one of those that Ford built for the last war. Our activities were censorable in the extreme, so never mind them. Then I got back just in time to make a eight day patrol on the Dubuque. The weather on the Eagle, up by the "rock bound coast of . . . ," was bad, and there was a missing patch to look for in the fog, but the weather on the old Dubuque was super super, if ever I saw any. The water was pure aquamarine, we were chased by porpoises and sharks, and saw a school of whales, also a Finnish freighter with a Canadian prize crew and a shortage of provisions. We did our best for them in this respect.

Am somewhat dented by "hitting the beach" so hard last night, and by the news that I'm to leave today on one of the minesweepers for at least one day. Returning will find the Dubuque ready for sea again. The inshore patrol is really hopping these days.

I don't mind though, because like sea duty, and am saving a lot of dough against a possible leave this fall.

Mail orderly leaving now.

Goodbye, and lots of love,

JACK

Dear Mother, Dad and Family,

This is written at sea, where I suddenly find myself after the liberty when I promised to write. I was bowman on the motor-whaleboat the next day, from eight in the morning to ten at night. I hope to mail this when we get to Provincetown, Mass., which is at the very tip of Cape Cod. I have never been there before, but I am told that it is one of the most picturesque spots on the whole Cape. We have started standing "condition" watches now, (one gun and two AA guns manned and ready) and it takes lots of time.

Liberty in Bar Harbor was lots of fun. There were mountains to climb, pine woods to hike in, and swimming in what was surely melted icebergs. Also the first edible sodas and sundaes I have seen in New England, where ice cream is doled out by the thimbleful.

Got in with a Scout Hike, and took a course in cliff-climbing. Since I survived, feel fairly sure that I passed.

The usual run of two-bit souvenir and million dollar antique shops. Also a fishing expedition on which I didn't go, but where some of the boys really caught fish. They brought 200 lbs. back to the ship to aid the commissary department through one of its short spells. I am here to tell you that fresh fried codfish is like nothing that ever came out of a wooden box. As for fish however, though, I can take it or leave it.

Saw the "green flash" that sometimes comes with sunset in these waters. As soon as the sun dips under the calm water, if there is not a cloud in the sky, there is a green blaze on the whole Western horizon. It has to be seen to be appreciated.

And now, if I go on deck, I can surely find some work to do.

JACK

Another Enlistment

FORREST MILTON OGG, of 1204 Boyd street, Big Beaver, a recent 21-year-old registrant, has enlisted in the Marine Corps, and was transferred July 12 to Parris Island, S. C., for training.

Rural Carriers Sell U. S. Savings Stamps

Thirty-two thousand rural mail carriers are now acting as agents in the sale of Defense Savings Stamps, postal officials have informed the Treasury Department. Demand for the stamps is sparsely settled districts caused the Post Office Department to authorize the carriers to act as salesmen.

The stamps range in value from ten cents to five dollars. Purchasers are given albums in which they can be mounted. When filled, the albums may be exchanged for Defense Savings Bonds.

Post Office officials recalled that rural mail carriers acted in similar capacities in 1917 and 1918 selling War Savings Stamps.

A diaper laundry strike caused consternation in Chicago. Another symptom of these changing times.—Kansas City Kansan.

Humble Peas Enjoy Aristocratic Ancestry Traceable to Stone Age

Peas to grace thousands of banquet tables are harvested annually in a crop which totals between 35 and 30 million cases a year. The pretty harvest maiden's smile may be another reason for the pea's leadership in national popularity.

THOUGH peas may be common fare today, there was a time when they were a great delicacy, to be enjoyed only by a haughty aristocracy. Today, grocers sell 25,000,000 cases of peas annually.

Pea seeds were found in the tomb of King Tut, Egyptian Pharaoh. They were planted in the Wendstone Garden, London, and grew a fine crop.

To the Greeks, long ago, peas meant "Pisos," and when they found their way into ancient Rome, they were called "Pisum." When the vegetable reached England, the name "Pea" was derived from "Pease."

IN 1896, a member of the French court wrote to a friend that: "The subject at pias causes to absorb all others. The society to eat them, the pleasure of having eaten them, and the desire to eat them again are the three great matters which have been discussed by our Princes for four days past."

Peas, by the way, sold for $6.50 a pint in those days, and French couriers gladly paid. Peas have been brought within the reach of millions of people, through growths of the canning industry, which this year celebrates its 81st anniversary.

Wisconsin leads the nation in production of peas, with more than 4,800,000 cases annually. Washington and Oregon produce more than 3,000,000 cases annually. New York, Illinois, and Minnesota each yield more than a million cases a year.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1941.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Albert J. Byers (Bert C. Byers, Deceased).

William Calvin Byers, having filed a petition praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased, and that administration with will annexed of said estate be granted to William Calvin Byers, or to some other suitable person.

It Is Ordered, That the 11th day of August, A. D. 1941, at 9 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, and that proponent cause a copy of this notice to be served personally or by registered mail return receipt demanded, to each of the known heirs at law, legatees and devisees at their last known place of address at least ten days prior to said day of hearing.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

(A true Copy.)
FflorENCE DOTY,
Register of Probate. 7-24-31

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 2nd day of July, 1941.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Ruby E. Byron, Deceased.

Oliver H. Kirk, administrator with will annexed of said estate, having filed in said Court his petition, praying for license to sell at private sale the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is Ordered, That the 12th day of August, 1941, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate are required to appear at said time and place to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once in each week for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

(A true Copy.)
FLORENCE DOTY,
Register of Probate.
OLIVER H. KIRK,
Attorney at Law,
Wabeek Building,
Birmingham, Michigan. 7-24-14-21

4 O'CLOCK every Wednesday is the deadline for turning in your classified "Want Ads."

Here Are Sprays For Fruit Trees

APPLES TO BE WASHED: Use 1-4 or 2-4-100 zinc sulphate and lime solution (see Sec. 32 of the Spraying Calendar) plus 2 lbs. lead arsenate.

APPLES NOT TO BE WASHED: Use 3 gal. SUMMER OIL plus dry nicotine at the manufacturer's recommendation per 100 gal. water. Add 10 days should elapse between an oil and sulphur spray.

PEARS NOT TO BE WASHED: Use 3 gal. SUMMER OIL plus ¾ pint of nicotine to 100 gal. water every 7 days. For pear psylla double the amount of oil.

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PEACHES: Spray with wettable sulphur at manufacturer's recommended strength OR dust with a good dusting sulphur.

SWEET CHERRIES: Directly after harvest use one of the proprietary copper compounds at manufacturer's recommended strength, OR 2-3-100 bordeaux.

SOUR CHERRIES: If cherries have been picked, use one of the proprietary copper compounds plus 4 lbs. lime for leafspot.

You do not need poison unless you have cherry fruit flies. Two lbs. dry arsenate per 100 gal. solution should be used for flies. If you have black cherry aphids enough to warrant nicotine, use 1 pint per 100 gal. solution.

KARL D. BARLEY
County Agricultural Agent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held June 26th, 1941, at 8 o'clock P. M. in the Municipal Building for the purpose of considering the removal of an old tree in front of 34 Worth Street and two Box Elder trees from the west side of Adams Road immediately south of Oakland Avenue.

BERTHE E. HANLEY
City Clerk.

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Gardeners' Corner

Doris T. Patten, Editor

DON'T NEGLECT . . .

To pick vegetables at their best. Peas beans kept packed will yield all fall. New carrots quickly turn to huge woody carrots, if more than those available in the Beets lose their flavor, as result of hours of picking and the sugar content of sweet corn changes so rapidly that there is no comparison between day old and freshly gathered.

To get rid of faded blooms. In the case of perennials, the plant is the work of setting seed and is strengthened. For annuals result is even more dramatic, as once an annual has produced seeds it ceases to bloom. Make up the ends of crabgrass by cutting the lawn. This prevents it from seeding itself. There is a new attachment for hand lawn mowers just for this purpose.

To keep newly sown seed beds and young plants and trees watered.

Hot Weather Gardening

Hot weather calls for special treatment in the garden. It is then that the skill of the gardener counts. So long as the rains are frequent and nights cool, fruit trees, flowers and vegetables will go ahead with very little assistance, but in hot weather they must be helped.

Growth slows up and insect attacks grow worse. Even if rains continue, hot weather is always dry, because the heat evaporates any previous amount of water. Cultivation becomes vital, not only to cut down the weeds which are competing with the crops for available water and food but to create a dust mulch, which will prevent evaporation from the surface of the soil and conserve it for the plants.

It is now that the application of plant food becomes important for stimulating the growth of plants otherwise would be impaired by the chill. Insect attacks should be met with vigor. Therefore at the first appearance, since the warm weather not only increases the growth of the insects but diminishes the vigor of the plants.

When a garden can be irrigated by complaint is often heard that water does not seem to do much good, and the reason usually given is that the water is cold. But it is the water is applied in a spray which is broken up into fine particles it is warmed by the air

Cultivating With Wheel Hoe

sufficiently to overcome the objection. It is probable that the reason for disappointment in irrigation, as a rule, is not cold water but insufficient water.

The extent of evaporation during hot weather calls for an extraordinary amount of water to balance the supply available for the plants. The amount possible to apply by the ordinary garden hose is insufficient and is made less effective when sprayed through the air. It is advisable, then, that even with cold water, if the amount that can be used is limited, it be allowed to run in shallow trenches of applied directly to the soil rather than sprayed.

Instead of trying to water the entire garden on the same day, or evening, concentrate on one portion, and give it a thorough soaking, at least a foot down. Next day, try another part. Such soaking should last a week, and the water will not be cold very long.

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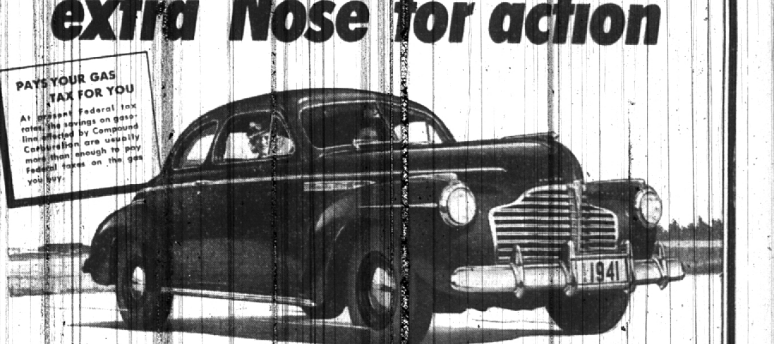

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