

Writes of Air Blows Prior to Invasion

Lt. John Kirkwood Martin writes of his participation in the Sicilian campaign as a bomber pilot. "At first we encountered fierce fighter opposition and had a number of running fights to and from our targets, but as the toll of attackers mounted in the air and the raids destroyed planes and their landing grounds below, the Germans are becoming more wary, and of late many of our efforts have gone unchallenged. These missions, of course, all were a prelude to the invasion and it is gratifying to us to be able to maintain a definite air superiority over the Mediterranean for our ground troops and ships. The Nazis are artists with anti-aircraft fire. My plane has accumulated over 500 holes in combat and I have one myself. This Mitchell is a fine airplane. They come back so badly shot up that it is hardly possible to believe that they will fly. One recently came in with the pilot badly wounded, the instruments shot out, the elevators three-fourths destroyed, one vertical stabilizer in operation and the wing flaps off. He was in my flight, on my right wing, and it was a big relief to see that slice of an aircraft flapping along beside me. The co-pilot did a fine job in getting home and landing safely."

'All Around?'



"A little more off the top, please," says Sgt. T. C. Townsend, on the receiving end of Painter D. E. Regan's tonorial routine in the South Pacific. Happily, those Seabees.

IN MARYLAND Robert James Quail, Jr., specialist third class, USNR, is now living at Greenbelt, Md., near Washington.

Aviation Cadet Test To Be Given Aug. 31 For Men 17 to 26

Major Harry C. Olson, president of the U. S. Army aviation cadet examining board, will be in Pontiac Aug. 31 to conduct army mental examination for Army aviation cadet training (air crew). This is the first time this test has been given here. The tests will be given promptly at 1 p. m. but all applicants are asked to be at the recruiting center in the lobby of the Peoples State Building at 1215 to receive instructions and have all necessary papers checked. This training is open to all men between 17 and 26, inclusive, married or single, who have been U. S. citizens for at least 10 years and are found mentally, morally and physically qualified. Applicants must secure from the center and fill out the necessary blanks before the mental examination. All blanks may be obtained by mailing request to the Pontiac Office of Civilian Defense, Room 401, Peoples State Building, Pontiac, Mich.

The Following Men Classified 1-A

Paul B. Wayman, Robert W. Muzzy, Lyle E. Wilson, Paul J. Mochel, Emilie M. Czaja, Frederick H. Henden, Dewey A. Peterson, John L. Parks, Earl M. Garton, Sam V. G. Dambrosio, Christian W. Noid, Roland J. Jett, S. P. Fray, Franklin W. Phillips, Walter E. Mosteller, Harry S. Conwell, Charles E. Johnson, Harold W. Cornell, Jr., Richard W. Johnson, Robert L. Burton, James Schermertner, III.

GETS DIESEL TRAINING

A former resident at 808 E. Emmons, Birmingham, Mich., Elton G. Bradford, 27, husband of Anne M. Bradford, was recently enrolled in the Naval Training School for dieselmen, located at the Naval Air Technical Training Center on Navy Feet, Chicago, Ill.

ARMY NEEDS DOCTORS

To continue the standard of the U. S. Army as the healthiest Army in the world, 7,500 additional physicians and surgeons will be needed during the coming three months, and an additional 2,500 by January, 1944. Major General Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General, says: "The casualty rate in the Army to date has been very low and one of the main reasons has been the availability of trained surgeons on the battlefields and in hospitals behind the lines to give our wounded men quick, efficient and expert care."

WAR BALLOTS FOR ARMY

Blank forms are available to all officers and enlisted men of the Army to enable them to apply for war ballots for elections to be held this year, the War Department reports. Public Law 712 requires these forms to be available in 1943 when officers of the national government are elected. The forms will also enable legally qualified soldier voters to participate in state elections.

MODERN STORAGE

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ENJOY USO AT ANNISTON

The USO Club at Anniston, Ala., writes the Eccentric that during the guests during the past eight months have been Owen, and Mrs. George Woodford, of Birmingham. The Salvation Army operates this club.

NOT NAVIGATOR

Lt. Robert E. Allen, who with his wife has been home from the lieutenant's air base at Mather Field, Calif., since March 14, is a center officer. Whereas his is a school for navigators, he is not one of them; rather, he flies one of the planes in which student navigators are taken up for training. They left Monday.

Steady---

Using detectors, American sappers clear a path through a mine field laid by the enemy which was in Sicily. One misstep and the jig is up.

A Peach, Sarge!



When the orchard owner's family includes such peachers as pretty Ann Bloom, Sgt. T. M. Keen of Fort Monmouth, Md., is all for peach picking. He's one of 59 (the lucky one) from the post helping defeat the farm labor shortage in that area.

Group Classified Aug. 16, 1943

Russell C. Oliver, Jr.; Robert C. Meadows, Jr.; Charles E. Page, Jr.; Wayne N. Cook, Jr.; Robert F. Eddy, Jr.; Paul W. Doehel; Charles H. Kuth, Jr.; William F. Coxill, Jr.; Harold K. Boyer; Ernest E. Wilder, Jr.; Jess S. Pease, Jr.; Clarence L. Dodson, Jr.; Christian N. Solie, Jr.; Vernell V. Ward, Jr.; Harry M. Venable; Charles W. Steimle, Jr.; William Callens, Jr.; Alfred K. Lewakowski, Jr.; James K. O'Brien, Jr.; Clyde L. Rowden, Jr.; Joseph Rohrborn, Jr.; Gilbert G. Strader, Jr.; Richard G. Bondy, Jr.; Vern M. Lock, Jr.; William L. Mitting, Jr.; James D. Robinson, Jr.; Leslie W. Smith, Jr.; Leonard A. Wineman, Jr.; S. Klime, Jr.; Lee M. Stambarger, Jr.; Robert K. Hall, Jr.; James L. Spence, Jr.; Frank A. O'Donnell, Jr.; Glenn A. Johnson, Jr.; J. A. Walker, Jr.; Little, Jr.; George C. Thomson, Jr.; Paul V. Attenberger, Jr.; Eugene E. Hider, Jr.; Eugene W. Meitz, Jr.; Owen B. Middlebrook, Jr.; Ross E. Hulet, Jr.; Robert J. Griffin, Jr.; A. C. William H. Robinson, Jr.; Barton K. Smith, Jr.; Robert F. Murray, Jr.; Walter S. Trendel, Jr.; Gordon C. Cole, Jr.; J. D. Wade, Jr.; Roy N. Bernath, Jr.; Milton H. Peay, Jr.; Percy E. Carr, Jr.; J. A. Robert H. Kober, Jr.; Carl W. Remmel, Jr.; John M. Strubbe, Jr.; Robert E. McComb, Jr.; Raymond J. Dennis, Jr.; William J. McKee, Jr.; Earl W. Pressel, Jr.; Franklin W. Pierce, Jr.; Louis J. D. Wade, Jr.; William G. Coulter, Jr.; James H. Winborn, Jr.; Nicholas T. Mitchell, Jr.; Charles L. Scott, Jr.; J. C. James H. Woods, Jr.; Curtis E. Wall, Jr.; J. C. Boston, Jr.; Arthur P. Ripley, Jr.; Raynald G. Parks, Jr.; Luke F. Nolan, Jr.; Alfie Charles E. Lamb, Jr.; Carl H. Scott, Jr.; Nelson W. Pressel, Jr.; Harvey A. Schneider, Jr.; Fred W. Heidermann, Jr.; Johnnie M. Burnett, Jr.; Vincent C. Goldfine, Jr.; Max O. Moore, Jr.; D.

NAVY SPECIALISTS NEEDED

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NAVAL PETTY OFFICER

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lutz, formerly of Bloomfield Hills, have received word that their son, Doug, is Lt. J. L. Lutz, and has been promoted to third class petty officer after finishing a six-week course in chemical warfare at Edgewood Arsenal, Ft. Belvoir, Ill. He is stationed at Ft. Belvoir, S. C., as an instructor. His wife, the former Nora Nabe, visited her parents while he was at Edgewood.

Mail Study Plan Open to Soldiers

MADISON, Wis.—Life in the Army isn't all drilling, marching, and K. P. PFC Albert E. Hirsch, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hirsch, of 1169 Lakeside, Birmingham, Mich., is using some of his time while off-duty to go back to school. The local youth, now stationed at DeRider Air Base Area Command, DeRider, La., has enrolled with the United States Armed Forces Institute, an official War Department school which provides high school, college, and vocational correspondence courses for men and women in the service. Thousands in uniform are now using this study plan, developed by the Army's Social Service Division, ASF, to continue their academic work during the war. Upon successful completion of each course, a certificate of proficiency is awarded and a transcript of the student's grades is sent to any school designated to be evaluated for credit. Those who are looking ahead toward landing a good job after the war are taking many specialized vocational courses such as airplane maintenance, air conditioning, mechanical drawing, and automobile repairing. In addition to the 64 varied courses offered by the institute, the soldier-student has a choice of more than 700 extension courses from leading universities through the institute.

No matter where the soldier is stationed, he may continue his off-duty study. Overseas, the lessons are serviced by speedy photo-mail and at the present time more than 90 per cent of the institute's enrollees are at the foreign battlefronts. Soldiers may write the institute for information.

SEEK OFFICERS

Requirements for general sea duty officers to serve with the U. S. Navy have been revised. The maximum age limit has been increased from 30 to 35 and the minimum vision requirements have been lowered from 18 20 visual acuity in each eye to 15 20. Vision must be correctible to 20 20. Other requirements include two years of college training plus a good record of business achievement. Candidates should contact the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, Ninth Floor, Book Building, Detroit.

WHAT CODE MEANS

The classification code is as follows: 1-A, passed local physical examination awaiting code for induction in Detroit; 2-C, already in service; 2-F, take physical; 3-A, enlisted; 3-B, volunteer. 3-C, necessary man in civilian activity essential to the nation's health, safety or interest; 3-D, defense workers; 3-E, necessary farmer; 3-F, those with children; 3-G, persons with dependents; 3-H, those who have completed service; 3-I, those who have completed service; 3-J, those who have completed service; 3-K, those who have completed service; 3-L, those who have completed service; 3-M, those who have completed service; 3-N, those who have completed service; 3-O, those who have completed service; 3-P, those who have completed service; 3-Q, those who have completed service; 3-R, those who have completed service; 3-S, those who have completed service; 3-T, those who have completed service; 3-U, those who have completed service; 3-V, those who have completed service; 3-W, those who have completed service; 3-X, those who have completed service; 3-Y, those who have completed service; 3-Z, those who have completed service.

ARTILLERYMAN FORT SILL, Okla.—Leroy W. Braisted, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Braisted, 1445 Square Lake road, Pontiac, has arrived at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Fort Sill, Okla., where he will receive 12 weeks of basic training. Pvt. Braisted has been attached to Battery B, 22nd Battalion, 8th Training Regiment. He was inducted into the Army at Fort Custer, Aug. 11, 1943. (More Men in Service in Part 1)

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