

NEWS FROM MEN IN SERVICE

3 Local Men Get Commissions

MEDICAL REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER Camp Bartley, Texas—Three Birmingham, Mich., men today completed training in the Medical Administrative Corps Officer Candidate School and received commissions as second lieutenants.

They were Ward Cruickshank, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Cruickshank, 247 Merrill St.; Warren Karl Pratt, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Pratt, 397 Hanna St.; and Andrew Samuel Watson, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nicol Watson, 1207 Bird Ave.

Today's graduating class is the second of the new semi-monthly groups to complete the Medical Administrative Corps officer training of the Medical Replacement Training Center Officer Candidate School, and it is the eighth class to graduate since the opening of the school in May, 1942.

When they complete their intensive 12 weeks' course, the Medical Administrative officers take over, non-medical functions formerly performed by Army doctors, thus releasing the doctors for purely medical and surgical duties. The MA's are assuming supply, training, personnel, and other administrative jobs.

PETTY OFFICER EVANSTON, Ill.—Clair Marvin Dickinson, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Dickinson, of 1275 Humphrey Street, Birmingham, was one of 80 men out of a class of 181 promoted to the petty officer rating or radioman, third class upon graduation from the U. S. Naval Training school on Northwestern university campus here today. He now awaits assignment to active duty with the fleet or to a Naval shore station.

Impressive ceremonies marked the graduation held in Cahn auditorium. Home E. Vandebur, dean of the School of Commerce, Northwestern university, delivered the Commencement address, and Cmdr. S. D. A. Cobb, commanding officer of the Naval

List Classifications For January 24

Robert Burrell, p; Ward A. Jury, p; Robert J. B. Meaker, p; George L. Dear, p; Eloy C. Lundgren, p; Joseph H. Archambeau, p; Rex O. Oberbeck, p; Morton A. Nelles, 1-a; Donald E. Hoeltzel, Jr., 1-a; David E. Simoes, vol.; 1-a; Louis Ona, vol. 1-a; Fred M. Adams, 1-e-ent.; Frank A. Churchill, vol. 1-e-ent.; Wayne D. Fox, 2-b.

Walter F. Skinner, 2-b; Ralph A. Eber, 2-b; Hugh B. Morgan, 2-b; Robert M. Winter, 3-a; John L. Parks, 3-a; Robert C. Shaffer, 3-a; Frank D. Kadrovach, 3-b; William A. Periard, 4-b.

MANY REQUESTS Men are now required to carry their draft registration cards and also their classification notices, with the result that the local draft office has been flooded with requests for duplicates.

NEXT INDOCTION DATE February 15 has been set as the next induction date, following that of Friday, the quota called for has been described as "medium sized."

GOING INTO NAVY Robert O. Grostwach, math instructor at Cooley High, Detroit, has been commissioned a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve and will teach mathematics at one of the training stations. He is the father of the Lt. Grostwach, former Cranbrook student, killed in a bomber crash.

Jerome F. Hart Now a Bombardier

Jerome F. Hart, of 372 Harmon avenue, is now a bombardier advanced flying school bombardier training Jan. 23 at Williams Field, Chandler, Ariz.



Jerome F. Hart

He was graduated from Baldwin High in 1935 and later attended the University of Michigan. After his graduation he will return to Selman Field, Monroe, La., where he will attend navigation school. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hart.

Board Classifies Another Group

Jan. 28, 1943 Maurice H. Smith, p; John L. Pavlica, p; Kenneth H. Allison, p; Robert H. Matthews, p; Sheldon J. George, p; William Phillips, p; Frank L. Howell, p; Tremaine Joslyn, vol. p; Ronald G. Oliver, p; William D. Bise, p; Henry W. Whelan, p; William B. Cole, 1-A; Robert G. Hardy, vol. 1-A; Neil B. Rickse, 1-A; Elmer C. Gierthoff, vol. 1-A; Richard W. Mathew, 1-A; F. Rich and Taylor, vol. 1-C; Fremont A. Klein, 2-B; Henry M. Foley, Jr., 3-B; Honeywell A. McAlpine, 2-B; Lawrence L. Pohlman, 2-B; George E. Jacoby, 2-C; Edward Mosis, 2-C; Victor A. Devault, 2-C; Chester F. Chatfield, 2-C; Preston J. Parks, 2-C; William G. Boyer, 2-C; J. P. Hill, 2-C; David E. Grattop, 2-C; Henry F. Jackson, 2-C; George F. Hill, 2-C; Frank R. Hill, 2-C.

Elmer R. Smith, 2-C; Andre J. Vandevelde, 2-C; Harold W. Meegan, 2-C; Gaylor W. Forman, 2-C; Raymond L. Lorfar, 2-C; Gordon E. Hughes, 2-C; Leo Collinski, 3-C; Donald A. Mitchell, 3-C; George O. Baldwin, 3-C; Richard J. Belz, 3-C; Joseph Hawlik, 3-A; Donald A. Gould, 3-A; Thomas J. Brannan, 3-A; Elton M. McCann, 3-B; Harold R. Bowley, 3-B; Thomas A. Reaney, 3-B.

COMPLETE COURSE Second Lt. Arthur D. Foley, of 888 Madison avenue, Birmingham, has just completed a special course of instruction in the officers' school of the Eastern Signal Corps Schools, at Fort Monmouth, N. J. The course designed to provide active duty training for selected groups of officers in their military communications assignments.

Before entering the service, the officer attended the University of Michigan and in civil life was a Cost Clerk employed by U. S. Rubber Co.

AT SCHOOL IN DETROIT

Pvt. William J. Lambert, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Lambert, Birmingham road, attending an Air Force training school at the Briggs Manufacturing Co. in Detroit. He is due to spend weekends at his home here. Pvt. Lambert went into the service last September.

NAVAL AVIATION CADET Richard L. Burlingame, son of Mrs. Burlingame, 436 Bonnie Brier, a Naval aviation cadet, has been training at the University of Washington, Seattle, attended Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., the past 1 1/2 years, after graduation from Westtown School, Westtown, Pa.

COLUMBUS, Ohio—Capt. Harvey James Wilson, executive officer of the Signal Corps Service Command, Fort Hayes, has been advanced to the grade of major, according to Major General Fred C. Wallace, commanding general.

Major Wilson formerly lived at 18280 Birwood road, Birmingham, Michigan. He was an engineer with the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. for 16 years before entering the service as a commissioned captain in 1942.

Major Wilson served with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in France and England from February 1915 to October 1918. He was also with the Canadian Machine Gun Corps from October 1918 to April 1919, assigned to France.

Major and Mrs. Wilson have one daughter, Joyce Isobel.

WHAT CODE MEANS The classification code is as follows: 1-A, necessary for medical examination, awaiting call for induction in Detroit; 1-C, already in service; 2-A, take physical; 2-B, military; 2-C, take physical; 2-D, military; 2-E, take physical; 2-F, military; 2-G, take physical; 2-H, military; 2-I, take physical; 2-J, military; 2-K, take physical; 2-L, military; 2-M, take physical; 2-N, military; 2-O, take physical; 2-P, military; 2-Q, take physical; 2-R, military; 2-S, take physical; 2-T, military; 2-U, take physical; 2-V, military; 2-W, take physical; 2-X, military; 2-Y, take physical; 2-Z, military.

GETS SILVER BAR Leonard E. Erickson, personnel supply and transportation officer at the Municipal airport, Charleston, S. C., has been promoted to first lieutenant. He is the son of Mrs. J. E. Erickson, of 464 Townsend, and went into the Air Force last July. He is a graduate of Lane Technical High School, Chicago, and attended Wayne University.

IF ANY DELAY If men in service experience delay in receiving their Eccentrics, please bear with us. The volume of mail is a handicap to postal service.

PROMOTED Bennett M. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown, 848 Southfield, has been promoted to corporal. He is in training at the medical technical school, Fort Harrison, Ind.

ENLIST IN NAVY Recent enlistments in the Navy include Eugene W. Haglan, 551 East Maple avenue, Royal Oak; Robert L. Garfield, 431 Aspen road, and Arthur C. Reinbold, 312 Hamilton.

BACK TO WORK PFC. Warren J. Barrett has gone back to his work at Drew

Field, Fla., after spending a pleasant 15-day furlough with his friends in Birmingham. He had just finished a course in radio operation at Tyler, Texas, and was transferred to Tampa, Fla., where he will take a short course in radar maintenance. After completion he will receive a master sergeant's rating.

ESCORTS PRISONER PFC Bill Averell, of Fort Custer, recently took a week off from his duties as editor of the Fort Custer News, to escort a prisoner back to his outfit, which was on maneuvers in the desert country of southeast California. (The soldier had gone home for Christmas furlough but neglected to return.) It is understood that the cost of transportation for the guard is deducted from the soldier's pay in cases of this sort.

NOW AN INSTRUCTOR Staff Sgt. Harold J. Holden, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Holden, 683 Emmaus, is now an instructor at the Army glider school, Roswell, N. Mex. He enlisted last July.

GETS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS Pvt. Milton Pearsall, formerly employed at the A & P store here, is on duty somewhere in the tropics and only recently received his Christmas presents. In poor health prior to his going into the service, he now reports that Army life agrees with him and that he is in good health. His address is 30-H, 35th Infantry, APO 869, New York.

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