

Men in Service

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

AT GREAT FALLS, MONT.
Great Falls, Mont., April 26—Lieut. Roland J. Langerman, of Birmingham, has reported for duty at the Great Falls installation of the Alaskan Wing, Air Transport Command. Lieut. Langerman is a graduate of Michigan State Normal school and received his commission on April 1. His wife, Mrs. Mary Bresford Langerman, is residing in Birmingham.

TRAINS IN ENGLAND
An Air Force Service Command Station, "Somewhere in England"—Lieut. Carleton E. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thompson, of 1644 Lincoln avenue, Birmingham, Mich., is now overseas and has participated in a course designed to bridge the gap between training in the States and soldiering in an active theatre of war. At one of the Air Service Command stations known as Control Depots, Lieut. Thompson was carefully processed by classification experts who made certain that he was well fitted for the job assigned to him. His next station will be one from which America's fighting planes take off to smash the Nazi war machine. Before entering the Army, he was employed as an inspector by the Pontiac Motor Co.

A/C Jack Coons, stationed at Maxwell Field, has received a medal for expert marksmanship with the use of side arms. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Coons, 407 Greenwood.

Pvt. Allen Jones, son of Mrs. Anne Jones, of 740 Ann street, has been transferred from Englewood, Calif., to the gunnery school at Las Vegas, Nev., where he is also assistant physical training instructor.

Pfc. William E. Terrell, a former Eccentric employee, is now with the American infantry in Africa. He went overseas some weeks ago.

IS AERIAL GUNNER
A/Cadet Joseph J. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Miller, of 740 W. Lincoln avenue, Birmingham, was graduated last week from the

Thank Birmingham Folk For Cigarettes

Charles Edwards Post No. 14, American Legion, is busy making plans to hold a cigarette campaign. Numerous letters of appreciation are being received here, thanking Birmingham residents for their part in supplying cigarettes to boys of both the Army and Navy.

Below is a copy of the latest letter received.
U. S. SHIP LYON (AP71)
c/o Fleet Post Office
New York, New York.

25 March, 1944.
American Legion,
Charles Edwards Post No. 14,
Birmingham, Michigan.

On behalf of the officers and crew of the U.S.S. LYON, I wish to extend to the members of the

Army Air Forces Flexible Gunnery School Laredo Army Air Field, Laredo, Texas, a member of the AAF Training Command. He was sent here upon completion of his training and now that he has received the rating of Aerial Gunner, he will continue his training as a navigator or bombardier in another training post.

Cpl. Robert H. Strong has been home visiting his parents at 421 Wibleton this week. Robert is with the mountain ski troops of the signal corps in training in Colorado.

HOME FROM OVERSEAS
Home from long months of exciting active combat service as a member of the naval amphibious service in the Mediterranean area of the war is Chief Petty Officer Earl Moody, son of Earl L. Moody of the Birmingham police force, and Mrs. Moody, of 847 Pure Street. The chief petty officer saw some exciting service in Sicily and Salerno, Earl graduated from Baldwin high school and is at the General Motors Diesel engine experimental laboratories in Flint for some time before entering naval service two years ago. Later he was sent to the government Diesel school at Richmond, Va., and Cleveland, Ohio.

WINS PROMOTION
Now it's 1st Lieut. Clyde C. Bennett, for the Birmingham youth has just been promoted again. This officer has just graduated from one of the officers' courses in Seacoast Artillery. A certificate of completion was presented to the officer by the Commandant of the Coast Artillery School, Brigadier General Lawrence B. Weeks, U. S. A. The officer has now left Fort Monroe, Va., for duty at his assigned post. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bennett, 248 N. Bates.

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Harry Bertoin, 1-A; Herbert W. Rolph, Jr., 1-A; Donald S. Chase, 1-A; Clayton H. Powell, 1-A; Hugo M. Kinke, 1-A; Delmar Kitchner, 1-A; Frank W. Niechmiedowicz, 1-A; Harry P. Keller, 1-A; Maurice L. Starnes, 1-AH; Floyd A. Postinger, 1-AH.
Willie R. Bradley, 1-AH; Robert T. Harprows, 1-AH; Charles E. Hallenbeck, 1-AH; George E. Simons, 4-A; Clarence W. Wesley, 4-A; Paul J. Bingley, CH; Glenn C. Fiebelkorn, 2-C; Joseph D. Moesta, 1-C enl; Stanley G. Gill, 2-A.

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FOUR AT GREAT LAKES
Four more Birmingham men are receiving their initial naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Their recruit training completed, these men will spend a period of leave at home. They are:

IT'S Quiet at the Berkley Last Times Tonight
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plus Jeanne Bates and Tom Neal
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"NO TIME FOR LOVE"
plus Martha Scott and John Wayne in
"IN OLD OKLAHOMA"
Also added color cartoons and latest news
OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE:
The Top Gun Show at 11:15, 1:15 and 3:15
The Old Oklahoma at 8:30, 7:30 and 10:30

RECEIVES PURPLE HEART
Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Streib, 663 Pierce, that their son, Capt. Claude R. Streib, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds he received in February at the Anzio Beach. Capt. Streib, who is a graduate of Baldwin high school and Michigan State college, has been in active service for the past year and a half in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. His wife, Betty, and small son, Richard, reside in Grape Pointe Woods.

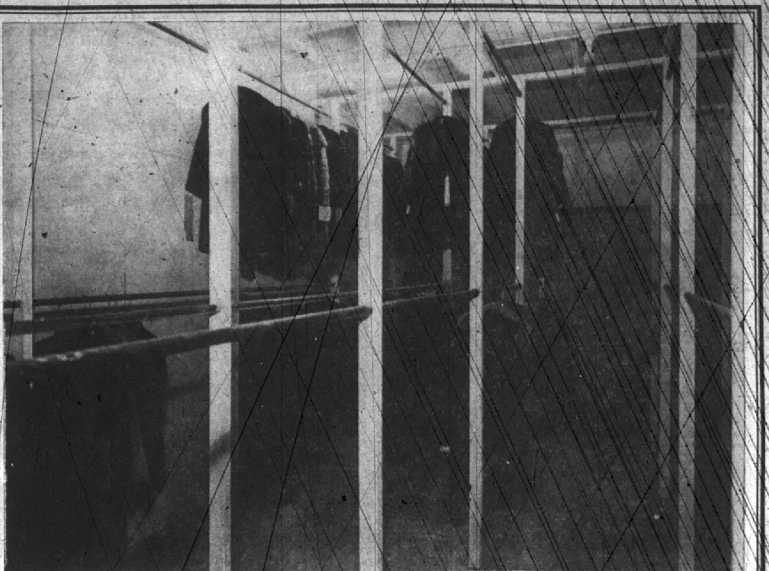
Capt. Melvin Middledeitch has returned to Camp Chaffee in Arkansas, after a 15-day furlough visit at his home at 20220 West 14 Mile road. Mrs. Middledeitch, who had been spending two weeks with her husband in Camp Chaffee, returned home with him. Their son, David, aged 14 months, had remained here with his grandparents.

News comes that Herbert Hooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hooper, 1185 Conar, has been promoted to storekeeper, second class. He is at the naval training base at Farragut, Idaho.

Navy Gunner Plays Possum and Lures Jap to His Death
How a gunner on a Navy patrol plane lured a reluctant Japanese fighter pilot within range of a telling burst of gunfire was disclosed recently by the Navy Department in awarding the Air Medal to Martin J. Battuello, 23-year-old aviation machinist's mate first class, of Calumet, Michigan.

The one-man drama was staged during a dangerous low-level bombing attack on enemy ships in Kiska Harbor. Six Zeros swarmed around the plane as the pilot pulled out of a bombing run.
One Jap in particular selected Battuello's position at the waist gun as his target. He swooped in several times, but always pulled away at a distance which showed considerable respect for the ability of the Navy air gunner. It was obvious the Jap did not desire to get too close to the Navy guns. Battuello decided to resort to theatrics.

The Jap made another pass, firing a long burst. Suddenly, Battuello's guns were silent and the Jap saw the gunner sprawl across his weapon. Eagerly, the enemy pulled up and sped into position for another run—this time to be unchallenged.
With the mid-section of the Navy plane in his sight, he roared in boldly. He was saving his fire for a sure, deadly burst. The distance closed rapidly. Battuello lay motionless across his guns.
Then, with split-second timing, Battuello sprang to life. His audience was too startled to fire. Battuello seized his guns and blasted point-blank at the Zero. There was a big puff of smoke and the Zero slipped off an one wing, out of control. Battuello was unable to see all of the fiery plunge, but it was obvious his show had paid tremendous box office returns.



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