

## Men in Service

Men in Service—Men in the armed forces, and parents, are invited to send us news of the boys' whereabouts and activities. Service men, featured in the weekly, are hungry for news of their friends. Even the address of a newly-placed inductee is of interest.

### Lt. Jas. W. Gunn Has 250 Hours of Combat Flying; Is Discharged

Lt. James W. Gunn, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Gunn, 1731 Dorchester rd., has qualified for separation from service, according to an announcement by Brig. Gen. Michael F. Davis, Commanding General of Boca Raton Army Air Field, Florida. He has been home several days.

Lt. Gunn reported to the separation center at Ft. Sheridan, Ill., where he received his discharge August 8. He was called to the service November 25, 1941, and several overseas in the European theater of operations from January, 1944 to August, 1944 as pilot of a B-17. He completed 50 missions totaling 250 combat

hours. For meritorious achievement, he was awarded the Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Unit Citation.

Lt. Gunn is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He is affiliated with Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

**HOME ON LEAVE**  
 Captain George Marin writes Overseas that he has a leave coming and hopes to get to visit Birmingham friends. He plans to spend his "recuperation" leave, or most of it with his family at 1011 Wynchwood-road, Westfield, N. J. Captain Marin anticipates being sent to some other war front, following his leave.

**PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN**  
 Wright Field, Ohio—Announcement has just been made by headquarters, Air Technical Service

Command of the promotion of Lt. Clarence Walker Blinnman to the rank of captain. His ATSC assignments include chief of operational unit, terminal section, readjustment division. Before entering the service Captain Blinnman was a Birmingham attorney. His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Blinnman, resides at 342 S. Victory street, Osborn, Ohio.

### WINGS OF THE NAVY

The Navy again is giving 17-year-old youths an opportunity to win their wings as commissioned Naval aviators, and many from Michigan are taking advantage of the program. Flight training and college work valued at thousands of dollars go into the training of each man before he is commissioned an ensign. Only youths who are graduated from high school before October 1 will be accepted. Candidates may be interviewed at the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 9th floor, Book Building, Detroit. Applicants to living outside of Detroit must make appointments before visiting the procurement office.

**Finley W. Dennison, Quartion rd., Birmingham, was graduated recently from the Naval Air Technical Training Center located at Norman, Oklahoma. While at the aviation specialty field which his recruit training aptitude showed he was best suited. This training has been designed to fit him for a specialized Navy job in the long Pacific war ahead and also for skilled work in industry, when peace comes. He is now eligible to earn a petty officer rate. The newly graduated man is now awaiting further duty orders either to sea or to a Naval base.**

### FOR FIGHTING IN ITALY WITH THE FIFTH ARMY

Italy—Private Jack T. Steelman, rifleman, son of Mrs. Isabel Steelman, 519 Rivenook, Birmingham, Michigan, has been cited by the 349th "Krautkiller" Regiment of the 5th Army's 88th "Blue Devil" Division and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat against the enemy in Italy.

Lt. Robert B. Stolberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Stolberg, of 584 Riverside, Birmingham, arrived Birmingham early Monday morning to spend a thirty-day furlough with his parents. Lieutenant Stolberg served overseas eight months in the 20th Armored Division and fought with the 7th and 9th armies.

### HOME FROM OVERSEAS

F/O Edward Quinn has arrived home on a thirty-day furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Quinn, of Henrietta street. He flew back from Italy, piloting a B-26 and made it, in several hops, encountering rough weather over the Atlantic. His varied souvenirs marked the hops at Tunisia, Africa, Natal, Brazil, and Porto Rico. Edward has been overseas only since April of this year, but he joined a veteran group in the 12th Air Force. Although he was late in reaching the foreign soil, he did participate in a few missions and came home wearing a battle star on an ETO ribbon. September 4, he reports at Camp Grant, Ill. for further assignment.

### ABOARD THE USS SHANGRI-LA in the Pacific—A Fred Charles Foster, freeman, second class, 56 North Baldwin rd., Clarkston, Mich., serves aboard this great aircraft carrier which today is a very real source of danger to the Japs and not just the mythical base popularized three years ago when the Doolittle raiders hit Tokyo.

### LOCAL PRO ON OKINAWA

OKINAWA (Delayed)—Eugene W. Zylstra, 22, young man, second class, USNR, was with the Navy detachment that hit the beach on Okinawa to work under the 10th Army in its campaign to wrest the island from the Japs. Zylstra was assistant professional at the Knollwood Country Club, Birmingham, Mich., before he entered the Navy more than 30 months ago. He was on duty in Hawaii before embarking for the Okinawa campaign.

### NAVAL RADIO OPERATOR

This week's graduation ceremonies at the Naval Training School (radio) on the campus of the Wisconsin University, Madison, qualified Bluejacket Charles W. Heberer, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heberer, 17615 Meadowbrook Way, as a radio operator with the fleet.

### This training has been assigned to fit him for a specialized Navy job in the long Pacific war ahead and also for skilled work in industry when peace comes.

Lt. Colonel Martin L. Butzel, 912 Westwood Drive, is currently assigned to the AAF Redistribution Station No. 4 at Santa Ana, California. Army Air Base, following his visit home.

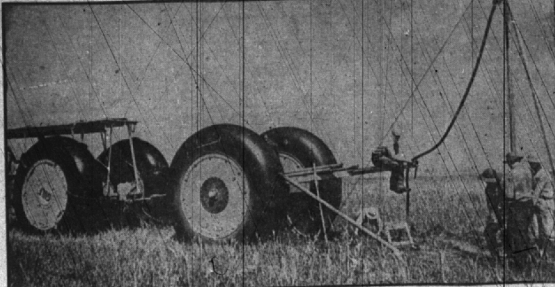
### TAKES MECHANICS COURSE

Keeler Field, Biloxi, Miss.—Pvt. Alvin L. Larsen Jr., son of Mrs. Flora Alvin, Leslie, 822 Lincoln, Birmingham, Mich., was enrolled this week in the AAF Training Command's basic airplane and engine mechanics course at Keeler Field. The course will extend over 76 days, period during which time he will receive instruction and actual experience in aircraft maintenance.

Private Robert D. Mann, 25, U. S. Marine Corps, 608 Daniels street, Birmingham, Mich., was one of 102 wounded Marines and sailors who received the Purple Heart at the U. S. Naval Hospital here this week. After the outdoor ceremony the awarding officers went into the wards to pin medals on men unable to leave their hospital beds.

Cpl. Derwood B. Gamble, Jr. returned recently from Europe where he served in Gen. Patton's third army. Derwood is spending a thirty-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Derwood B. Gamble, of Glenary road. He will report back to Camp Grant, Ill.

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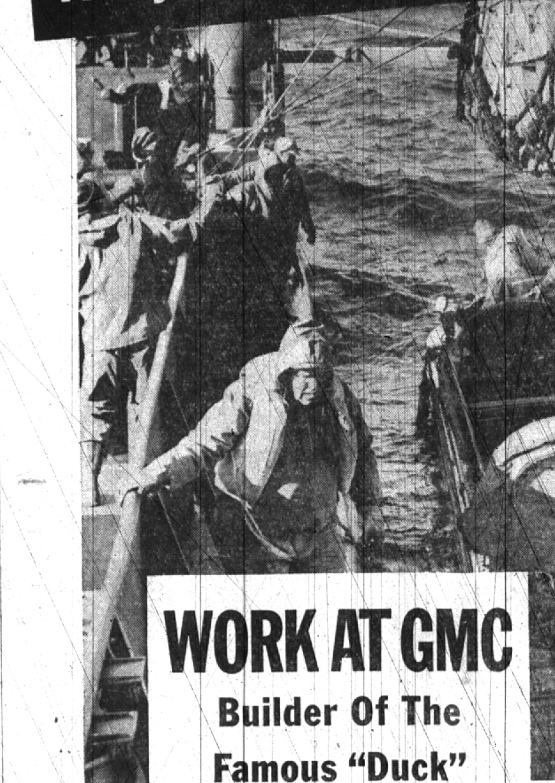
### BUY HOME IN HILLS

The former John Donnelly home on Woodward avenue, Bloomfield Hills has recently been purchased

### by Major Harvey C. Luce, a newly named executive vice-president of the MacManus, John & Adams advertising firm of Detroit, Mr. Luce

purchased the residence and about six acres of land but did not purchase the Woodward avenue frontage.

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