

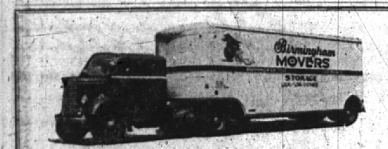
Men in Service

Dr. Geo. E. Marin Helps Free Many From War Prisons

Writing to "his old gang" in the Hana building on West Maple street, Dr. George E. Marin, Birmingham dentist, in the following letter tells some unusual experiences up on the war front in Germany, and especially of the freeing of Allied war prisoners from the German prison camps. His letter follows:

Dear Gang:—Germany. At least, four minutes to sit down and catch up on all my correspondence in one fell swoop. You have probably all thought me captured. Actually I am not in a prison camp but am in a hospital in Germany. I have been evacuated by air of several thousand U. S. and British soldiers liberated several days ago by our army. Move about this way. Since coming to Germany several weeks ago we have done nothing but move. It has been one mad scramble since the day we crossed the border. It is much like our dash across France last summer. At times you feel that you are a long way behind the front, yet the infantry will pick up doses here and there in the nearby woods—bypassed by the armor in this crazy war. At other times, in the mad rush to keep up you may find yourself ahead of the infantry. One of our officers on reconnaissance had that experience. Every house had its customary white flag out the window as he drove into town. While he was looking about for a suitable billet for the outfit, a small detachment of infantry came up the center of the street taking the town. So you see why we call it "crazy-war." It is all of that.

Liaison Officer. This present job of mine as liaison officer between the air strip and the prison camp is interesting work. In the two days I have been here, I have heard and seen plenty. Only a few of us are allowed free access to the place until these men are all screened and disposition made for their evacuation. The camp sits on top of a high hill or mountain surrounded by forest. It could be a beautiful spot if it weren't for the misery all



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Hermann Goering Slept Here



A U. S. Third Army infantryman makes himself comfortable on Hermann Goering's own bed in the Goering Lodge at Neuhaus, Germany. (Signal Corps photo.)

what is left of them. I am sure the papers and magazines at home do a better job than I can. I have been in liaison work ever since leaving Germany so I have seen a great deal in my travels between various units. My traveling got the best of me a week ago—"Japs, japs." After several days of irregular meals, long hours of bounding around in a jeep, eating dust, and fighting endless lines of traffic, I got sick with a poisoned pup. I pulled up at the nearest clearing station and got stuck in a bed a day and a half of paragon and smooth food me up. Needless to say, I am more careful since then. Everything seems to be fine at home. Marjorie writes that she and the champs are feeling well and leaving home. She says that Peter is a ringer for me, and I can believe it the way he dislikes cold liver oil and spinach. Johnny, the dope, asks for seconds on both. Ugh!

That seems to be the news. Thanks again for all the swell letters. Love, GEORGE.

Major Harry Phillips, USMC, 215 Bervyn road, who has just completed a course at the Staff and Command School, Quantico, Va., has returned to the South Pacific. Major Phillips returned to this country last October after having spent 32 months in the South Pacific. He wears four campaign stars and two presidential citations.

OUT OF PRISON CAMP Mrs. Dorothy Parmelee, 1407 W. 17th Street, reported that she received a telegram from Washington bringing news that her husband, Pvt. Channing R. Parmelee, had been freed from a German prison camp and was back in the American lines. Mrs. Parmelee endeavored to learn further particulars but was told there were so many war messages being handled that it was almost impossible to get a private message over the cables. Private Parmelee was captured last Nov. 29. He had been with the advancing American army only a short time.

BOB CAVAN HEARD FROM Bob Cavan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cavan, of West Maple road, is out of the German prison camp to which he was taken when his B-17 bomber was shot down on March 18, over Berlin. His parents had two cables last week and two letters Monday, all telling them he was safe and sound and entertaining high hopes of a furlough and a visit home. The young navigator was shot down during a big American raid on Berlin. Thus far four of the crew of nine have been heard from. Bob wrote that he is with some members of the crew again.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE To Frank H. Ladd, Joseph A. Ladd and Fred Weaver. You are hereby notified that a bond obligating said October 16th, 1932, between Queen Lake Estates, a Wharf Corporation, Seller, and Frank H. Ladd, Joseph A. Ladd and Fred Weaver, Purchasers, in its default for non-payment of installments of principal and interest is hereby foreclosed. Lot 7 of Queen Lake Estates parcel of East part of Section 16, and part of the NW 1/4 of Section 26, and part of the NW 1/4 of Section 28, and the SW 1/4 of Section 29, North Range 10 E., according to the plat hereunto annexed, is hereby sold to the highest bidder for the sum of \$1,000.00. QUANTON LAKE ESTATES, Inc., Plaintiff. F. FORNIE S. HASCALL, Receiver. Dated this 26th day of May, 1945. STATE OF MISSISSIPPI—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland: At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Ocean Springs, County of the 14th day of May, 1945. Present: Hon. Arthur E. Moore, Judge. In the Matter of the Estate of Harry E. Nicholson, executor of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a sale of the same be authorized, and that the said executor be appointed receiver of the same, and that all claims and demands against said estate be paid by and before said date. It is Ordered, That two months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate. It is Further Ordered, That the 15th day of August, 1945, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Central Standard Time, shall be the date by which all claims and demands against said estate be presented. F. FORNIE S. MOORE, Receiver. W. E. TALCOTT, Atty. in Law. Dated this 26th day of May, 1945.

Birmingham Marine Writes Of Visit To Grave Of Ernie Pyle

Corporal William F. Roberts, U. S. Marine Corps, of 915 Harmon avenue, formerly with The Eccentric, has been heard from again. He has been in the midst of the battling for Okinawa and tells in the following story of a visit to the grave of Ernie Pyle, noted columnist.

Yontan Airfield, Okinawa, May 11 (delayed)—When I visited the First Marine Division cemetery near here yesterday, I counted 76 newly dug graves. Seventy-seven of these held the bodies of United States Marines; in the other one reposed the body of an honored war correspondent, Ernie Pyle.

It seemed most fitting for Pyle to be buried where he is—in green, sloping hillsides facing the China Sea. He must be pleased with the sight before him. American naval and air power is spread out far over the horizon, ready to strike the final blow that will bring Japan to her knees.

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif.—The award of an Army Air Force Airplane Mechanic Technician's Badge to Cpl. Harold M. Kalbfleisch, 32325 Beaconsfield road, Birmingham, Mich., for proficiency in the performance of duties, has been announced by the Hamilton Field Base Unit of the Air Transport Command's West Coast Wing. Corporal Kalbfleisch, the son of Harold Kalbfleisch, of Birmingham, entered the army on Feb. 19, 1943, and was transferred to Hamilton Field Aug. 17, 1944.

Cpl. Fred L. Hart, 878 Watkins street, has reported for duty at the Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and has been assigned 400th AAF Base Unit, S. O. Wright Field of the Air Force's engineering, procurement, maintenance and supply center.

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member of the Fifth Air Force, "First" Division, Army, Army Air Corps, Birmingham, Ala. First and Ninth Army drives from Normandy across France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany to the Elbe River, 77 miles from Berlin. Pvt. Pyle was first promoted to private first class in Berlin. Mrs. James M. Pyle, grade 4, 5312 McKall road.

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