

Men in Service

Walter's Note—Men in the armed forces, and parents, are invited to send up news of the boys' whereabouts and activities. Service men, scattered about the country, are hungry for news of their friends. Even the address of a newly-placed inducted man is of interest.

Lt. Jervis McMechan Home from Three Years War Service

After three years and nine months of active duty with the United States Naval Reserve, Lt. Jervis B. McMechan has been discharged and has returned to his home at 284 Larches Drive, Birmingham, upon completion of his terminal leave.

Entering the Navy as an Ensign in the summer of 1942, Lieutenant McMechan served at the U.S. Naval Training School in Dearborn, Michigan; in Akron, Ohio; New York City and San Bruno, Calif. before going overseas for fourteen months. Assigned Port Director duties, he spent several months in the Philippines before participating in the invasion of Balikpapan, Borneo, in July, 1945.

When he left Borneo to return to the United States, Lieutenant McMechan flew first to Singapore and then boarded a ship which brought him on around the world to New York, via the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean.

Lieutenant McMechan is a graduate of Cranbrook School and of Harvard College. During his undergraduate days he was active in summer theatre and collegiate dramatic work. He plans now to go into radio.

OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS
Officers of the Army of the United States who upon their separation from service did not accept a commission in the Reserve Corps and who now wish to make application can do so at the various Military District Headquarters for reserve affairs throughout the cities of the State. Initial appointment for a five year period are offered in the highest grade held at the time of release from active duty.

Charles C. Hood, Jr., S 2/e Y, will arrive tomorrow from the Naval Air Station at Charleston, S. C. to spend a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Hood, 975 Fairfax road.

NAVAL RELEASES
The "Out of Naval Service" list for the past few days contains the following names of Birmingham young men: M. H. Fogley, Jr., 529 Huggs Cross road; David E. Naumann, S2C, of 2805 Delmore road; John L. Erwin, S2C, 1119 Southland road; Howard B. Hardman, S1C, 1281 Boyd street; and Herbert P. Hawkins, RDM3C, 17929 Dunblaine.

REYNOLD HACK HOME
Reynold Hack, who has served in the Navy for two years with about eighteen months at store-keeper aboard an LST, arrived home last week for a 30-day terminal leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer W. Hack. At the end of his leave he expected to receive his discharge, probably at Great Lakes, Illinois.

COURSE FOR VETERANS
Training to help veterans establish their own business will be available at the University of Michigan Extension Center in Detroit, starting April 29, according to Dr. Charles A. Fisher, director of the University's Extension Service, according to Jack Thomas, Veterans' counselor. A four-month course in business management, similar to the special instruction given on campus for veterans, will be offered under the joint sponsorship of the Extension Service and the University's School of Business Administration.

Birmingham Man Concludes Duty As Editor Of Naval Magazine "Ramp-Age"

Concluding his duty early this week as editor of the naval magazine, "The Ramp-Age," at San Diego, Lt. Winston H. Cox, USNR, is expected home this week, thus ending his active war duties.

His more than three years of duty with the Navy took the Birmingham man to many sections of the world, through fierce battles, ship sinkings and other ordeals, but ending closing with months of desk duty at San Diego.

Here he and Mrs. Cox and their young son will be guests of his mother, Mrs. M. Howard Cox, 1040 East Main avenue.

The following information regarding his work in the Navy is from the last issue of "The Ramp-Age":

Wielding his copy pencil over these pages for the last time in this issue, Lieut. Winston H. Cox, USNR, public information officer and editor of the Ramp-Age for the last six months, is being released to inactive duty next week and leaving NAB after one year's duty, for civilian life in Michigan.

Lieut. Cox is succeeded in his duties by Lt. (j.g.) Kenneth A. Ross, USNR, of Santa Rosa, California, former veteran and recreation officer, and training instructor who took over the duties last week as editor. Lt. Ross, a veteran of 12 months duty aboard an LST in the Pacific, reported aboard NAB a year ago after a survivor's leave as the result of being thrown overboard, with two members of his crew, when his ship was hit, and spending six days adrift on a raft.

Going to Birmingham With Mrs. Cox and son Terry born last December, Lieut. Cox has been making his home in San Diego since he was ordered to duty here last April. They will return to their residence in Birmingham, Michigan as soon as he completes the separation process in Los Angeles.

While he has been in charge of public information, hundreds of home town news releases and pictures about amphibians at NAB have been sent to papers all over the country.

Lieutenant Cox is a graduate of the University of Michigan where he received his A.B. in history in 1942. He entered the Navy in February of 1943 and received midshipman training at USN-RMS Columbia University in New York. While at Michigan he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega and president of several student activities as well as being night editor on the

college paper, the Michigan daily and a member of the editorial staff of the Gargoyle, college magazine. He was ordered directly to the Southwest Pacific from midshipman's school and was 21 months



Lt. Winston H. Cox

overseas aboard an LCI rocket ship participating in 32 operations and of 12 major infantry assaults at LST including the invasions of the Philippines and the Battle for Leyte Gulf. In the latter he received a commendation from Admiral D. Barbery, USN, for "gallant and outstanding performance of duty" in a special survivor rescue mission off the west coast of Samar.

Receives Commendation His ship also received a commendation for action under enemy fire at Corregidor Island where it was hit and had its mast shot off. Lieutenant Cox also has a commendation from his commanding officer for leading a fire party ashore while under enemy air attack to fight and put out fire in a fuel and ammunition dump near Tacloban, Leyte.

Prior to taking over his post as public information officer Lieutenant Cox had relieved Lt. R. W. Mosley as Officer Training Division officer after having been an instructor there for six months. Last July he had one week's temporary additional duty as technical adviser to John Monte, Jr., playwright for 20th Century Fox Film Corp.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County on the 16th day of April A. D. 1946. Present: Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Dora E. Suman, Deceased. Oliver H. Kirk, executor of said estate having filed in said Court his final account and allowing for the same, distribution and allowance thereof, determination of the residue of said estate, and it is Ordered, That the 15th day of May A. D. 1946 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, he and he is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eclectic a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate. OLIVER H. KIRK, Attorney at Law, Wabcock Building, Birmingham, Michigan. 5-6-7

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VETERANEWS

From the OFFICE OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS LANSING Job Training Staff

An increase in the Special Projects staff by the addition of four more veterans' training co-ordinators was announced early this week by the State Office of Veterans' Affairs. With this addition nine co-ordinators from 11 military known job-training expedients are available to plan with employers and assist in the writing of training plans for veterans in the on-the-job phase of the G. I. Bill of Rights. At least one co-ordinator is to be assigned full-time to the Upper Peninsula.

During the past week and all next week the new co-ordinators are undergoing an intensive training course. This is to provide them with knowledge of correct procedures and future development. In addition it will give them necessary "know-how" to make a training plan which will insure that approved veterans and approved employers both receive a fair deal from the benefits for learning provided by the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Employees interested in securing the services of a co-ordinator are advised to see the local veterans' counselor and ask that the counselor make necessary arrangements.

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