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# STARS

IN THE SERVICE

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# Family Album, or Generalities About Everything

★ *Thomas Edward Wehr, phm 2/c*, is an editor! What's more, he runs a darn good column titled "What D'Ya Know?" in the snappy mimeo-sheet, "The Marine Newsbomb," published by the Marines for Marine and Navy personnel at the ammunition depot, Crane, Ind. Tommy has not only written several very welcome and folksy letters to Stars, but has sent a number of copies of the Newsbomb. You have a slick cartoonist, Tommy? Hes doing a nice job. In fact, the sheet is all to the mustard. Your "Sparks from the Dud" is great stuff. Keep 'er sparking!

★ Three members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, brothers, and sons of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Klotz, 608 Ontario Street, are wearing the uniform of the U. S. Army. *Lieut. Richard "Dick" Klotz* is receiving his mail at the Los Angeles APO, which means he's out of the country. He is a former Bethlehem Steel employe. Another son, *Corp. James Klotz*, is in camp on Long Island after being in Massachusetts and Connecticut. He went into the service in April of '42. The third son, *Pvt. William Klotz*, is with a medical unit at Camp Ellis, Ill. He was inducted in December of 1942 and is a former Weston-Dodson employe.

★ There seems to be some sort of competition on between the churches in the matter of sets of brothers in the services. Bethany E. & R., where the Rev. C. Eugene Blum is pastor, joined the ranks of Stars participants and boosters for the June issue and lets us know that six sets of brothers have gone out from the congregation. They are *Lew L.* and *Robert M. Iobst*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Iobst, 533 Fourth Avenue; *Richard F.* and *Robert S. Kauffman*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Kauffman, 1006 Raymond Avenue; *Richard K.* and *Paul E. Kuklantz*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuklantz, 402 Prospect Avenue; *Merrill* and *Armond E. Moyer*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moyer, 458 Birkel Avenue; *Robert W.* and *Harry A. Moyer*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moyer, 607 Spring Street, and *Reginald N.* and *Lester H. Remaley*, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Remaley, 62 West Spruce Street.

★ One family, that of Mr. and Mrs. Rhue, 1516 Spring Street, has given three sons, *Edwin*, *George* and *Harry*. There is a brother-sister act with *Anne Lehr Bigelow* and *C. Ellis Lehr, Jr.*, of 1522 West North Street, serving. A father and son, *Raymond M.*

*Koplin* and *Jack Koplin*, are in service.

★ Bethany has 41 men in the Army, 18 in the Navy and 3 in the U. S. Marines. A unique wall map with stick pins bearing the names of each service man and woman from the congregation helps keep track of them, and an honor roll with pictures and a service flag pay tribute to those in uniform.

★ The Luther League of St. Mark's Lutheran Church sent the following quartet into the armed services during the month of July: *A. S. John*

## A CHURCH'S TRIBUTE

This picture is a practical demonstration of the way in which St. Peter's Lutheran Church shows its gratitude and devotion to the men and women who have gone out from the congregation to join the armed forces and auxiliaries. The flag rack is the gift of Emerson Mills and the flags are the gift of the Luther



FLAGS OF THE FREE

League. As each member leaves for service, a flag is placed in the rack in his honor. So far, 104 flags are in the rack and the whole is in the chancel of the church. Through such projects the people of St. Peter's church keep their boys and girls in mind. We think it a splendid idea and well worth emulating. Bethany E. & R. Church has a pin map and huge poster board in the vestibule and other churches have a great variety of honor rolls, service flags and similar tributes to their service men and women.

*M. Antolic, U.S.N.*, at Sampson Naval Training Center; *Pvt. Robert Hartzell, U.S.A.*, radio; *Pvt. Foster D. Lapp, U.S.M.C.*, at Penn State College and *Pvt. Ernest Reinhold, U.S.A.*

★ Two families in the 1700 block on Elm Street each have two sons in the service. One set of brothers is *Lt. Francis Fortunato*, located at Camp Wolters, Tex., and *Raymond Fortunato*, at Camp Wheeler, Ga. The other is *Fred Feltault, S 2/c*, Sampson, N. Y., and *Robert Feltault, AAF.*, Chanute Field, Ill.

★ Friends in the congregation of Zion E. & R. church and throughout Bethlehem send best wishes to the following young men and women from Zion wherever they may read Stars: *Grace B. Deysler, A.N.C.*, somewhere in India; *Robert Wesner*, *George Fogel*, *Wilfred Kramer*, *Charles Romig*, *LaRohn Deysler*, on the high seas; *Arthur Gerlach*, *Clayton* and *Robert Davies*, *Harry Snyder*, serving on foreign soil; *Oliver Minnich*, *Paul Hahn*, *Harry Seeger*, *Curtis Bender*, *Carl Kramer*, *Robert Horning*, *Mahlon Ernst*, *Robert Boehm*, *Charles Butz*, *Robert Kendall*, *Andrew Baldwin*, *Robert Kramer*, *LeRoy Jones*, *Raymond Yeager*, on the homefront, and to *Clyde Gruver*, who is recuperating in the Naval Hospital at San Diego, Calif.

★ With nearly 145 young men and women from the congregation in the various branches of the service. Nativity Episcopal church counts 15 sets of brothers or brothers and sisters, as follows: *Raymond* and *Francis Bonesch*, *Austin* and *Richard Buck*, *Richard*, *Herbert, Jr.*, and *Walter Clarke*, *William* and *Arthur Coken*, *Carey*, *Gordon* and *Sheldon Evans*, *John A., Jr.*, and *Robert P. L. Frick*, *Lewis* and *Virginia Hazzard*, *Frederick* and *John Kline*, *Clifford* and *Milton Lewis*, *Dale* and *James Lindenmuth*, *Lewis* and *William McCarroll*, *Arthur* and *Robert Miller*, *John* and *Robert Montgomery*, *Clare D.* and *Roy VanBilliard* and *Dorothy* and *Robert Wolfe*.

★ Special services in honor of the men and women in service from the congregation were held Sunday, July 4th, in St. Stephen's Lutheran Church at which time four more stars were placed on the service flag. The total is now 48. Those for whom stars were placed are *Charles M. Fritz*, *Elwin M. Seifert*, *Raymond R. Hartzell* and *Francis T. Schrader*. A fine roster inscribed with the names of those in service was presented by the Men's Bible Class at the same time.



# The Lord Is My Light And My Salvation ❖ Whom Shall I Fear?

## The Scripture Reading

as chosen for Stars by the  
REV. CHESTER L. BRACHMAN,

Pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical  
and Reformed Church



Psalm 103.

Verses 1 to 11.

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

2. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

3. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities: who healeth all thy diseases;

4. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

5. Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6. The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

7. He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

8. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy.

9. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever.

10. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.



## LAST TAPS

Again the bugle sounds its last notes for an heroic son of Bethlehem, Sgt. Charles W. Raidline, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan R. Raidline of 23 West Fairview Street. Sgt. Raidline was killed in April in North Africa. Word of his passing was received too late for inclusion in the June issue of "Stars" and occasion is taken here to pay tribute to this young man, first soldier from the Moravian congregation to lose his life in the war.

The Rev. Milton A. Yaeck, pastor of College Hill Moravian Church, of which Sgt. Raidline was a member, conducted memorial services, using as his text: "Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends—." Flowers were placed on the chancel platform in memory of Sgt. Raidline by his friends.

A MESSAGE by the Rev. P. T. Stengele, pastor of Ebenezer Church, Mennonite Brethren in Christ, for "Stars in The Service"

THE TEXT:—"Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wisely."—Ecc. 7:10.

THE MESSAGE:—Here Solomon is rattling the bottom board out of every piece of deception. He tells us that true joy and satisfaction are based only on right and personal relationship to God and His Son Jesus Christ.

There is a tendency in us all to mourn unwisely about something. To say that the past was better than the present—that the worst time of all is NOW—forgetting that we never lived in any other time than the present. True religion must meet the needs of the present or else it is of no value at all since it is the only time in which one lives.

Men proceed rather peacefully 'till an upheaval, such as the present world conflict, comes along. Then all the props of former reasonings are knocked out from under them. WAR always proves that the Bible is right for it declares over and over that safety and security can only be found in one's faith in the faithful and true God and not in the circumstances of one's experience.

"This is the victory that overcometh the world, even your faith." I John 5:4.

The basis of life is not rational but tragic and one can only be triumphant through faith. True religion is not a cult of reminiscence but of family likeness to Jesus Christ, who said, "Be of good cheer for I have overcome the world."

Base all on God and the redemption through Jesus Christ and His shed blood and go forward in full confidence and you will find something emerging in your life far surpassing anything in the past.

"The life that I now live, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." Gal. 2:20.

As "Taps" was sounded a Gold Star, the first, was placed on the service flag by Mrs. Karl Chamberlain.

"You go a long and lonely journey  
For all the stars, like burning dew,  
Are luminous and luring footprints  
Of souls adventurous as you.

"Oh, if you lived on earth elated,  
How is it now that you can run  
Free of the weight of flesh and faring  
Far past the birthplace of the sun?"

—("In Memoriam F.O.S."—taken from  
"Rivers To The Sea," a volume of  
poems by Sara Teasdale)

## HYMN

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from every need  
That hath us now o'er taken.  
The old bitter foe  
Means us deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight:  
On Earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done,

Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the Valiant One  
Whom God himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this?  
Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there is none other God;  
He holds the field for ever.

Martin Luther, 1529 AD

## LET US PRAY

A Prayer for our men  
and women in Service

Contributed by the Rev. Benjamin F. Lotz, pastor of Holy Trinity Evangelical-Lutheran Church

**G**OD, Loving and Everlasting,  
Thy mercy abides and Thy love grows not old. Thou hast set yearnings in our hearts and the eyes of faith have seen Thy fairer visions. Thou hast revealed Thy love fully in Jesus Christ and we are grateful that Thy Spirit bears witness with our spirits that Thou art our Father.

We are happy that in the confusion of this world we can turn to Thee, seeking the cleansing of our lives from the sins that make us petty and stain our souls. Give us guidance, courage, the ennoblement of the difficult task, and the knowledge that in the service of our fellow men we shall serve Thee.

Let not war make us cynical, or the cruelty we behold make us lustful, neither the din and clash of battle forgetful of Thee. Forgive the hollow sounds upon our lips, purify our hearts, making their sadness a song even in a strange land, and let our journey in life be a pilgrimage, transforming us along the way from what we are to what we ought to be, until by Thy grace, we attain to the full stature and the nobler self in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



# UNCLE SAM'S UNIFORM STAR NUMBER "DOWN UNDER"

"CURIOSITY KILLED A CAT"—BUT ALL CATS HAVE NINE LIVES

## PEOPLE TELL US

By Carrol Cool

Bob Christman left for the Army a few weeks ago leaving what certain Mickey all alone and lonely

Bob Kilpatrick tells me that he's setting out to become a general; well that's nice to know, but I understand he's willing to settle for a PFC.

Donny Foltz was home from the Navy after being scalded from the hips down by steam from a busted pipe. He's back though, which all goes to show you just can't keep a good man down.

Geophart Stiles is in New York. Well, that's travelin' . . . first the south Pacific, next San Francisco, home and now New York. If I know Geopp, he has some dandies to tell, but will just have to wait, that's all. Speaking of dandies, here's one. A certain Air Force lieutenant put a certain general off a plane in north Africa, reason . . . he had a higher priority. Sorry, source must remain unrevealed for personal reasons.

Young Marty Lynne is home from farm school telling us how to grow those fine potatoes . . . well, that's all right, but I don't know how he does it with all those cows to milk he tells us about . . . Bob Commodore, now serving with those fighting Leathernecks overseas, has just turned old enough to vote.

I don't know if it's fittin', but Cousin Carl tells us that when he isn't on K.P. he's on guard duty . . . I just bet he has one of those big touch sergeants that you see in the movies . . . ?

Big Charlie Daros, otherwise known as 'Two-Buck' comes home from Muhlenberg, where he's serving with the Navy's V-12 program, every now and then . . . why? you ask. To see a certain little miss, of course!

The Red and Blue Club now has more members serving with Uncle Sam, then it has at home . . . ho-hum, there'll always be a Red and Blue in this town, no matter what happens. Speaking of the Red and Blue, I'm told the newest member of the club is a bundle of joy delivered to the Van Whys called 'Junior'. The proud father is serving with the army out west. This sort of makes a certain Joe one of those old men called "grandpa."

Maynard Raines is in the south Pacific with his newly acquired wings. Too bad he isn't flying tho! he's contracted malaria . . .

Note to our readers: If you would like this column to continue in its



It's hard to tell if the youngsters rallying 'round Lieut. John W. Kline are Australian aboriginees, or just plain dirty kids. Whatever they may be, they are displaying the usual amount of childish curiosity visible in American young folks when a soldier in uniform comes along. Several of the children in the picture with Lieut. Kline look pretty black for a suntan.

## BUD "GOES NATIVE"

or "What the Well-dressed Hindu Gent Is Wearing"

★ "Gone Native" Corp. Sylvester "Bud" Wimly writes on the back of the picture he recently sent from India to his friend, DeWitt Groves. The photo shows "Bud" all done up in native costume, complete with turban and spangles. While it is good, it would be wonderful to see him in person promenading around among the Hindus and other "residents" of India!



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## A REMINDER

Please, you fellows and girls who receive "Stars," when you write to the editor mention your church connection, especially if you have a change of address. It is vital that we know to what church you belong as the churches are supplying us with your names and helping make it possible to send you the magazine. If you have a buddy who wants to receive "Stars," let us know, and tell us what church he belongs to, also. It may be his is not participating in the program.

There are now better than thirty churches participating in this project and a number more have expressed interest. This is well over half of the congregations in the city. Included, also, is Christ Lutheran, Hellertown, which has gone in wholeheartedly.

## DECLARATION

"Stars in The Service" is a non-profit, non-sectarian, purely hometown publication. It is supported entirely through voluntary contributions and is mailed to all men and women from Bethlehem and nearby communities whose names are listed on church service rosters.

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# COMRADES IN ARMS HELP MAKE HISTORY IN 1943

## THE FIRST DEFENDERS

★ Stars presents two Bethlehem soldiers who have, as the saying goes, "made good". At the left is Col. L. C. Atwood; at the right, Lt. Col. James M. Galloway. Each has succeeded to his present rank through devotion to duty, diligence and a high sense of patriotism. Each has won the loyalty and respect of the men entrusted to his charge.

★ Everyone in Bethlehem and the Lehigh Valley knows "Larry" Atwood from away back when he commanded Battery "C" of the 213th Regiment, Coast Artillery, and promoted the Golden Glove fistic meets and the Soap Box Derbies for the Globe-Times. He was Captain Atwood then, a veteran of World War 1 with overseas service behind him and soldiering in his blood. His unit was one of the most efficient in the outfit. In 1939 he was made a major, then a lieutenant colonel and regimental executive officer, the latter appointment coming when Col. J. C. Smith retired from the command and Col. C. C. Curtis took over. He was made colonel and given the regiment on February 13, 1942, just two years later. Meanwhile the First Defenders were seeing all kinds of active service, having been called out on

## TWO MEN OF BETHLEHEM SEEING FOREIGN ACTION TOGETHER



Col. Lawrence C. Atwood (U.S.A.)

maneuvers, Federalized and stationed at numerous camps throughout the eastern section of the country. Now, with "Larry" in command, the outfit is seeing foreign service and giving an excellent account of itself in accordance with its proud tradition.

★ "Jim" Galloway, who formerly served in Battery "C" when Col. Atwood was its captain, has a record of 15 years in the National Guards plus several years in the Regular



Lt. Col. James F. Galloway (U.S.A.)

Army. When he received his captaincy he took over Battery "B" and when he got his major's gold oak leaves he was made regimental executive officer. September 16, 1940 he went into Federal service with the National Guard. Since then he has been made a lieutenant colonel and is overseas. He is married to the former Dorothy Hess, who lives at 213 East Garrison Street. Before he entered active service he was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co.

## SPORTS, PAST TENSE

By Lloyd Lukens

With basketball and track almost wholly out of the picture during the summer and little activity in golf and tennis due to wartime travel restrictions and the accelerated war plant schedules, the sports roundup for this issue is almost wholly given over to baseball and football developments in recent weeks.

Headlining the baseball picture is the failure of the Bethlehem entry in the Inter-State League. The team to date has won three games and lost 17, all victories being over Limeport. Nazareth and Lansdale are tied at the moment for the league lead with 15 victories and five defeats each as the race enters its final stages.

Lehigh University's summer baseball team has performed magnificently in spots, winning over formidable opponents and losing some heartbreakers. Princeton and Penn eked out close victories in the most recent games, 5-4 and 4-2—the scores indicating the type of play the summer schedule is producing.

American Legion Juniors were invited to participate in the National championships, but the invitation was a mistake. The local Legion youngsters played only in city competition and thus were ineligible to send a team to Dearborn, Mich., to battle in the finals. The tournament is sponsored by the Ford Motor Company, hence the local Ford dealer is supplying a trophy of his own for the league winner.

Dale Matthewson, former Bethlehem High and Legion pitcher, has been shipped to Knoxville, Tenn., for more seasoning. He hurled some fine games for Trenton and was recalled by the Phillies, owner of his contract. The Phillies kept him around a short while and decided he needed more seasoning, hence the trip to Tennessee.

The Bethlehem Armorettes, girls softball team, topped the City League without a loss, then flung challenges at all softball teams, either male or female. The maidens are still undefeated.

In football circles the most shocking news in recent weeks was the sudden death of Albert Austin (Austy) Tate, former Bethlehem High and

Lehigh coach. He died suddenly August 7 of a heart attack. It will be remembered that a teammate, George Hoban, who coached Lehigh last year, died of a heart attack only a few weeks ago.

Lehigh's football fortunes during the coming season will be in the care of Leo Prendergast, head coach, with Larr Rosati, former Moravian star as backfield coach and Eb Caraway, baseball mentor, helping out. The team will play home and home games with Lafayette and Rutgers.

Muhlenberg appears to have the football edge among colleges in this section, due to the fact Navy V-12 students will be allowed to participate. Coach Al Julian will have several former Moravian stars to use if he wants them. Muhlenberg opens with Yale.

Henry J. (Heine) Miller, who is well known locally, will not return to coach at West Chester Teachers even if football should be continued.

George (Doc) Jacobs, who got his start at Bethlehem Catholic High back in 1926, has been replaced as freshman mentor and head scout at Villanova College.





# THE NAVY IN HOME WATERS

"Fleet's In — Every Man For Himself"

★ **Llewellyn Iobst, Jr.**, is a signalman first class and is assigned to the harbor entrance control post at Fort Story, Va. He is more familiarly known as "Lew".

★ **Samuel D. Sweeney, Jr.**, former member of the Miller Heights football team, a native of Bethlehem and well-known whereabouts, is an apprentice seaman at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. **George C. Grant**, S 2/c, is also at Great Lakes in training for sea duty.

★ **Walter T. Morsell**, S 2/c, hangs his hat at 312 Brodhead Avenue when he's at home. Right now he is at Camp Perry, Va. He has a reputation for being always jolly and his smile in the picture certainly is no denial.

★ Learning the ropes as a pharmacist mate, **Robert Danner**, S 2/c, known as "Bob", is at the hospital corps school at Norfolk Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va. He got his boot training at Sampson, N. Y. Bob and his brother, **Walter**, Y 2/c, were recently home on short furloughs to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Danner, 334 East North Street. Yeoman Walter is stationed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

★ **Anxious for real action**, **Dick Lawrence** is working hard at machinist mate school at Boston, Mass., in order to get to the place where action is popping. He enlisted last January after graduating from Technical High and trained at Sampson, N. Y. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lawrence.

★ **Harris Warrick**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Warrick, Sr., 332 East Geopp Street, was inducted and entered the Navy, June 30. He is enjoying the facilities and training of the vast center at Sampson, N. Y.



Left and right, top to bottom: L. Iobst, T. Transue, N. Fidler, D. Lawrence, S. Sweeney, W. T. Morsell, D. Henn, R. Roessel, M. Hahn, R. Danner.

★ Special mechanic in Diesel engines is **William H. Mann**, F 3/c, now at Norfolk, Va. Mann entered the Navy January 20 and trained at Sampson, N. Y., and took up Diesel work at Richmond, Va. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Mann, 733 Flot Avenue, and there's a star for him on the service flag in St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

★ **Nevin L. Fidler**, manager of the Bethlehem office of the Morning Call, left July 12 for service with the Coast Guard Reserves. Son Nevin, Jr., is looking forward to seeing daddy in his CG blues when he comes home from duty at Charleston, S. C. He gets a month of prelim. training at Manhattan Beach (made famous by J. P. Sousa with a stirring march) Coast Guard Station. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fidler, 1962 West Union Boulevard, Fidler was honored by his associates at the newspaper office by a send-off shindig at the Eagles Club July 8.

★ Quite a salty fellow by this time is **Lieut. (jg) Robert M. Shultz**, formerly superintendent of recreation for the city of Bethlehem, now in charge of recreation at the Naval Receiving Station, Boston, Mass. Lieut. Shultz is the father of two young children, Virginia and Anne, who are staying with their mother at her parents home in Ambler, Pa., while daddy is off to the wars.

★ **George M. Oberrender**, member of council at Grace Lutheran Church, has enlisted in the Sea-Bees, those gun-toting do-or-diers, and is located at Camp Peary, Williamsburg, Va., for training. **William F. Necker**, also a member of Grace, is already well advanced in Sea-Bee work at Peary.

★ **Harold Roessel**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roessel, 41 East Ettwein Street, is stationed at Washington, D. C., in the office of the vice chief of naval operations. He enlisted December 8, 1942. In the picture (sorry we can't show it all) he is displaying his skill in navigation—of a kiddie's tricycle.

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R. Peacock

Ed. Smith

V. F. Hahn

W. Mann

R. Shultz



# THE NAVY AT SEA

"All Hands To Battle Stations"



★ Only word of *William Daniel, S4/c*, is that he is aboard ship and somewhere at sea. Since a sailor's home is where he slings his hammock (or makes up his bunk), Bill probably is doing all right. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Daniel, 93 West Raspberry Street, and a member of Holy Trinity Church.

★ Tuning up Navy 'planes somewhere in the Pacific area, *Ernest Faisz, A.M.M. 3/c*, is right in his element for he's rated an aeroplane mechanic. Member of St. John's Windish Lutheran Church, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Faisz, South Side, and is married to Margaret Suto, whose brother was recently reported lost in action in the North Atlantic, victim of a battle between a U-boat and a merchantman.

★ *Raymond F. Moyer, C.M.M.*, went into the Navy in April of 1926 and is really a veteran! He has been on three ships and is in the thick of things.

★ When we were kids a sailor was a fellow who walked with a rolling gait, swore copiously, chewed tobacco and hitched up his bell-bottom pants in picturesque fashion now and then. Today's sailor lads are a different cut and probably ten times as efficient. Anyway, we're here to wager that *Eugene H. Shurts, S 1/c*, can top most of the old salts, and then some. He is 23 and he got into his first suit of blues December 17, 1941. He trained in the Pacific area and has seen much service. He has not been home on a furlough since he left and family and friends would sure like to see him. Seaman Shurts is a member of the class of '38 of Fountain Hill High and a former apprentice in the B. S. Co. brass foundry.

★ *Ensign Sherwood J. Cota, U.S.N.R.*, is, at last reports, somewhere in Africa. Just for the sake of speculation, perhaps he's with the gang that's making things tough for Musso as fabled Sicily is overrun. A graduate of Muhlenberg College, class of '42, Ensign Cota is a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran congregation.

★ On active duty with the fleet, whereabouts not reported, is *Lt. (jg) Richard O. Herstine*, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Herstine, 705 Sixth Avenue. Like every sailor, when Lt. Dick gets home he'll have a tale to tell. He is a graduate of the Wharton School, class of 1942 and is married to Marie Gushen, R.N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gushen, 254 Seventh Avenue. He and his wife are members of Holy Trinity.

★ How the Solomons got their name is a mystery; maybe one of old King Solomon's many wives took her social security and old age pension and settled down out there to spend her declining years. Anyhow, *Paul B. Nelson* reportedly is somewhere in those islands with the Leathernecks. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nelson, 258 Tenth Avenue, and used to be assistant building Superintendent at the Bethlehem Steel main office.



Left and right, top to bottom: S. J. Cota, R. Herstine, W. Daniel, N. Peters, T. Claus, W. Glinna, E. Faisz, R. Faust, W. Wasser, E. Shurts.

★ *Peter Venninger* writes to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Venninger, that he is well and busy and asks to be remembered to all his friends. He's doing artillery work with the Marines. His sister, Betty, a WAVE, will be home on furlough in September. She still loves the Navy, she says, and so do plenty of other girls—it's the uniform that gets 'em!

★ The war has played strange tricks with peacetime vocations. *Richard "Dick" M. Faust* was a clerk in Leh's department store at Allentown before he enlisted. Now he is aboard ship somewhere in the Pacific with the rating of water tender. Dick graduated at Liberty High in 1941 and enlisted December 19 of the same year. He trained at Newport, R. I., and graduated from the machinist mate school at Norfolk, Va., as a seaman second class. He was later assigned to sea duty and his present grade was attained in February of this year.

★ *John Kincaid, U.S.N., Seaman f/c*, son of Mrs. Sylvester Kincaid, 1513 Linden Street, enlisted in the Navy November 11, 1941. Prior to enlisting he was employed at the Laros Silk Mill. At present he is somewhere on the Pacific.

★ *Walter Glinna, F3/c*, is looking forward to celebrating the second anniversary of his enlistment into the Navy "somewhere over there." Mr. and Mrs. Adam Glinna, his "folks," live at 1438 Newton Avenue.

★ *Thomas Gangwere, F2/c*, veteran of action in the Pacific, recently enjoyed 17 days shore leave, ten days of which he spent in Bethlehem. Like young Hausman, he sang in St. Paul's E. & R. choir and was present for the Summer communion service.

★ *J. R. Scheetz, PO3/c*, has completed gunnery training at San Diego, Calif., and is now on sub-chaser duty off Florida putting into practice the skill he has acquired. (There has been reported a decided drop in sub. activities.) He was home recently.

★ *Charles Kuhn, S 2/c*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuhn, 1118 New Street, is serving somewhere at sea at this time.



## NAVY AT HOME---concl'd.

★ Home from his recent tour of duty in the Solomon Islands area, *Gephart Stiles, U.S.N.R.*, enjoyed a well-earned rest. He has been in the mail department as a censor, we are told.

★ *Gordon Thomas*, a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, is in a Naval radio training school in Connecticut.

★ One of the most active members of Emmanuel E-C Church, *Lieut. Commander A. N. Weigner, U.S.N.R.*, is at present on duty with the Navy at San Francisco, Calif. Commander Weigner formerly taught the Young Men's Bible class at Emmanuel, was adviser to the young people's groups and was a leader in activities among the juniors. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Weigner, 808 High Street and he and Mrs. Weigner, the former Caroline, and their two children, Drew, 15, and Shirley, 8, are getting a big kick out of Navy life. His picture appeared in the June issue.

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## NAVY AT SEA---concl'd.

★ *Bill Bonamonte, S 2/c*, is at present studying hard at Norman, Okla., with the aim of becoming an aviation machinist's mate. Here's luck to you, Bill.

★ We have word of *Victor F. Hahn, Jr., S. 2/c*, who is at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va. His parents live at 227 East Fairview Street and he's a former Nativity choir boy.

★ On his way to acquiring those third class petty officer's stripes is *Edward W. Smith*, now attending specialist school in Brooklyn, N. Y. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Smith, 1882 Lincoln Street; a graduate of Technical High, class of '40, a member of Salem Lutheran Church, a former employe of the Bethlehem Steel Co. and he turned his 23rd birthday on July 8. He enlisted October 30, 1942, and was stationed at Bainbridge, Md., where he was swimming instructor. He was sent from there to Newport, R. I., and was graduated from the U. S. N. Technical School. Now he's at Brooklyn. Best of luck, Eddie!

★ *Donald S. Foltz, MM1/c*, has recuperated from serious burns and is back on duty at Norfolk, Va.

★ *Lt. Donald Sawyer, U.S.N.R.*, has been having himself a time down in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, the grapevine says. But we have a card from Don

to say he is OK and the fishing is good. He recently enjoyed a brief shore leave with his wife and wee daughter.

★ A good word for the Sea-Bees is included in a line from *Jack Schobel*. "We are the land and sea sailors of the Navy. We build and fight—and it is the finest and probably the toughest branch in the services." (Oh, oh, them's brash words, Jack!)

★ The world is full of romantic places, never heard of before war or some explorer with a yen for cruising in Southern climes wrote a book about 'em, and *Petty Officer Troy H. Ruth*, Electrician mate's 2/c, is in one of those odd spots. It's Ile Nou, New Caledonia, from where he writes to his family, Mr. and Mrs. William Ruth, that "we are having lovely winter (!) weather and less mosquitoes than when I got here 7 months ago. I can really work in comfort for the days are warm but the nights are cool."

★ Ruth is kept busy with his work but manages to find time for recreation; he plays basketball, volleyball, and ping-pong, enjoys the movies and the U.S.O. features. Church, movies, etc., are all in the open. Troy has found an unusual hobby—collecting "cats eyes." No cause for alarm, Tabby is safe. The "eyes" come from snails he finds on the beaches and are a sort of protective gadget which Mr. Snail uses when he comes out of his shell. Young Ruth sent home over 200 of these beautiful stones, each different in color, shape, size and other qualities.

★ He sent some snails too, supposedly completely dead. When Mrs. Ruth opened the box she let out a terrific smell. The snails were dead then, but not when mailed. To all his friends, Troy sends his thanks for his letters and cards and for making it possible for him to receive Stars. St. Paul's E. & R. is his church.

★ *Thomas "Tommy" Tucker Clause* is just one of those Bethlehem lads who couldn't wait until he was of age to get into the fracas, so at 17 he joined the Navy "to see the world." He's served almost a year. Recently he came home to spend ten days with his parents on Carlton Avenue.

★ *Leonard Schweitzer, Jr.*, was home on furlough recently after completing his "boot" training at the Naval base, Sampson, N. Y. He is taking up Radar work.

★ When better stories are told, the American Sea-Bees will tell 'em, for

they are the boys who pave the way for the rest of the gang, a gun in one hand, and a pick or shovel in t'other. Theirs is a role something like that of the old-time Pioneer troops brought up to date and dressed in dungarees and a tin hat. *Mark Peters, S 1/c*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amzie Peters, 1540 Hottle Avenue, is one of these chappies and one of two sons of the Peters wearing the uniform, his brother, Earl, being a private first class at Kearns, Utah. Mark is, at this writing, somewhere in the Aleutians making things miserable for the yellow sons of Hirohito. He writes that he is well, happy and that the climate agrees with all of the outfit. He sends regards, via Stars, to the folks back home, many of whom will remember him for his football prowess during high school days. He enlisted and was called into service September 27, 1942.

★ *Pharmacist Mate Eddie Wasser* was in at the "kill" at Casablanca. Returning to the U. S. he was transferred for a time to the Leathernecks because of a shortage of medical men. However, he recently was able to return to his first love, the Navy. He has been in the service since May, 1942.

★ *Reginald B. Gerhardt, Jr.*, has been commissioned an ensign and is stationed in Pittsburgh. He is the third son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gerhardt, Market Street, to enter the service.

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## ARMY-NAVY ENTENTE

★ *Pvt. Robert E. Kendall*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Kendall, is one of two brothers in the service, William being in the Navy. Bob was inducted October 7, 1942, and is following his trade of barber, shearing the locks of his fellow soldiers on Uncle Sams time. He used to have his own shop on Broadway but now he sets up his chair at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga. He had a ten-day furlough not so very long ago which he spent with his wife, the former Mary Appel.

★ Now a fireman third class, *William H. Kendall*, brother of Soldier Bob Kendall, is putting to good use the training he received at Sampson, N. Y. He's a former employe of the local postoffice and was an active member of Ontario Tribe, I. O. R. M., No. 280. He and his brother had the good luck to enjoy simultaneous furloughs, so the Army and the Navy got together amicably about the family dinner table.



# THE NAVY IN THE AIR

Attu, Midway, Salamaua, Rabaul



★ *Ensign Charles G. Feist*, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Feist, 1321 Montrose Avenue, left recently for the West Coast after spending a 15-day leave with his parents. Ensign Feist enlisted in the Navy for flight training in June 1942, and received his cadet training at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, Texas. Since being commissioned and receiving his wings of gold recently Ensign Feist has been on active duty at Miami, Fla. He was graduated from Bethlehem High School with the class of 1937 and attended Muhlenberg College where he was a member of the varsity basketball and baseball teams.



★ *Lieut. Milan J. Daniel*, of the Naval air force, has returned to the West Coast after a visit to Bethlehem and has been transferred from a patrol squadron to a bombing unit. Now, instead of flying in the slower PBY's he will be cavorting about the skies with a Ventura.

★ *Raymond M. Peacock* has been promoted to third class petty officer in the U. S. Navy following his graduation from airplane mechanics school in Memphis, Tenn.

★ On July 7 *Robert W. Iobst* received his commission and wings as an ensign in the Naval air force. He trained at Coral Gables, Fla., and as this is written was on his way to a new post. He is the brother of Llewellyn Iobst, Jr., and the parents of this pair of sailor men reside at 533 Fourth Avenue.



Upper picture R. W. Iobst; center, C. G. Feist; lower, J. Pursell, men of the Navy Air Force.

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## IN FREEDOM'S CAUSE



Bob and Bill Kendall  
"United We Stand"

## The Sky Pilot Says:

★ *Chaplain Lieut. Dean T. Stevenson* tells a good story. (You don't have to read it if it's an old one.) "Shortly after I entered the Army an old Chaplain told me I'd find that a soldier's chief problems are two—MAIL and FEMALE. I have found that to be pretty largely true. Now, as I look at it, your magazine will help along both these lines. It will help the MAIL situation by telling others where their friends are located and will assure each man at least one piece of mail every so often; and that in turn should assist the FEMALE!"

## CHINA STATION

★ A 'hoss' doctor who probably hasn't doctored an equine in years, *Capt. James Gillespie*, U. S. Army veterinarian, is located in China, whence he was sent in December 1942. He describes the climate as "excellent" and says that the scenery at his station is "the most colorful valley one could ever hope to behold." The weather, too, he says "is more pleasant here than any place in the good old U.S.A."

★ *Capt. Gillespie* says that he is kept remarkably busy but that time passes swiftly. He finds his work very interesting and growing more so as time goes on.

★ *Capt. "Jim"* will be recalled as an all-around athlete during his high school days here. He is a U. of P. graduate and served the Federal government as a meat inspector and was later assistant poultry pathologist at the University of New Hampshire. He was called into the army in April 1941 and sent to Dow Air Field, Bangor, Me. About a year later he went to Medical Field Service School at Carlisle, Pa., and afterwards to Bangor, Me., where he received his captaincy. In December 1942 he was sent to India for two months, then transferred to his present post in China.

## RICKSHAW TRAVELLER



Capt. James Gillespie  
Veterinarian



# WITH THE LEATHERNECKS

"We Fight Our Country's Battles"

★ That snappy little sheet, "The Gremlins' Gabble," published by the Junior Adult Class of Central Moravian Church, carries a nice bit of a letter from *Cpl. Millard Egbert*, who is at Camp LeJeune, New River, N. C. *Cpl. Egbert* writes: "I was in Winston-Salem over Easter weekend, particularly for the early morning Moravian service. Little did I think last year when I visited Salem, still a civilian, that I would this year be literally living in the same state and attending the services again. The middle of May found me again in Salem visiting with Eleanor and Hank Lewis, together with my hometown buddies, George Kirkpatrick and Dick Groman, who were there for a week before they went into the Army on the fifth of June. I often go sailing on the bay and, believe me, that is real sport when there's a high wind and the whitecaps are breaking over the bow. If you weren't so very certain that I *am* in the Marines, I'm afraid that after reading this letter it would really be a job to convince you that I'm not taking an extended vacation at Ocean City or what have you."

★ A most unusual honor is paid to *Pfc. John B. Thackston* by his family. A service flag hangs in the window of the home that was first hung twenty-five years ago for his uncle, who served in the War that saw Kaiser Bill dethroned. It is the property of his grandmother. John is stationed at the Marine base at Parris Island, S. C., and is catcher on the baseball team. He is a member of Nativity Episcopal Church, and has so far received two copies of Stars through the church.

★ *Pvt. Robert C. Rehn* is undergoing his "boot" training at Parris Island and writes home that the going is "tough," but that he likes it. He's quite the vocalist and lends his lusty baritone to the post choir. He's doing mess duty at this time. Rehn is a

former employee of the P. C. Weil Co.

★ *Pvt. Karl H. Wied*, who entered the Marines away back on October 5, 1942, saw plenty of active (we mean ACTIVE) service in the South Pacific from the middle of December until recently, when he was assigned to an amphibious outfit at San Francisco, Calif. He had a slight operation recently, but is now fully recovered. *Pvt. Wied* trained at Parris Island, S. C., and New River, N. C. He married *Florence Mae Yerk*, January 24, 1942.

★ *Pfc. Edgar Thomas* has finished his boot training in the Marines. After spending a ten-day furlough with his parents, he left for Camp LeJeune, New River, N. C., where he will go to Pre-Radio school.

★ *Pfc. Robert Ehr Gott* was one of the Marines transferred from Parris Island, S. C., to Electrical School, Rhode Island, after spending a ten-day furlough with his parents.

★ *Sgt. John Yaniga*, who has a brother Stephen somewhere overseas, also in the Marines, writes that he has never seen a finer group of men than those he is drilling in the art of being a Marine. For the past months he has been trekking all over the California hills. There must be something unusual about the esprit de corps of the Leathernecks to elicit the praise of the "top kick." *Sgt. Yaniga's* mother, *Mrs. Anna Yaniga*, lives in Allentown.



## SPORTS---concl'd.

Ronald Kichline, former Ursinus Coach and well known here as an official and insurance salesman, has been signed to coach at Reading High School for the duration.

And to conclude, Bethlehem archery contestants stole the show again this year at the Minsi Archery Conference. Bob Smith and Ed Micher finished first and second, respectively in the metropolitan round, while the Bethlehem women's team had no competition in team shooting championships. *Mrs. Mary Jane Everett*, of Allentown, won the women's metropolitan round and Easton bowmen were victors in the men's team shoot.

That just about takes care of the current sports picture. The stage is almost set for the start of football practice with the reopening of school and a guess would be that high school football will attract the crowds this Fall. Bethlehem, incidentally, should be a contender once again for "Big Fifteen" honors even though last year's combine was riddled by graduation, so the "experts" think. We're not an expert.



There's no doubt in the world that the reason the American soldier, sailor and marine "clicks" when he fights is because he is sports-minded. He cut his teeth on his old man's baseball bat and the iodine bottle has been his mainstay as a germ chaser after every fray. He learned to give and take, he could dish it out with the best and take it without a whimper. No other single factor contributes so much to the success of the American fighting man as his sports training.



R. Rehn



J. Thackston



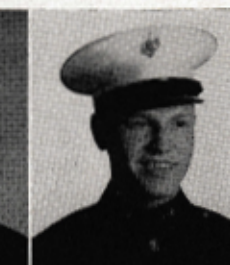
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R. Frey



K. Weil



R. Ehr Gott



# WOMEN IN THE SERVICES

Every Lass Let's A Fighter Fight



★ *Pearl E. Hiegley* has completed her training at the WAVES school in Boston, Mass., and reported at Clinton, Okla., July 19, as a storekeeper 3/c. She was home recently.

★ *Aux. Alice M. Glose, WAC*, is still working as a telephone operator at Dow Field, Bangor, Me.

★ *Mary Groman* is now a parachute rigger third class and is stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas. She writes to the folks back home that the work is swell but Texas this time of year is certainly HOT!

★ *Aux. Helen Hince* is stationed at Daytona Beach with the WAC. Her mother, Mrs. Katherine Hince of Washington Avenue, hears that Helen is enjoying her stay and working hard.

★ Army life seems to run in the blood of *Aux. Lillian Johnson, WAC*, for her father is a veteran of the Spanish-American war and was at San Juan Hill, Cuba, with "Teddy" Roosevelt. Lillian has been a leader among her young friends, was active in the Y.W.C.A. as Junior adviser of the Young Girl's Victory Club of Girl Reserves, and was always foremost in church work.

★ *Friends of Marjorie "Molly" Groman* will be glad to learn that she has become a seaman second class in the WAVES. She's the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Groman, 933 Linden Street, and a member of Central Moravian Church.

★ Two members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Kocher, 1220 Center Street, are serving in the uniform of their country, 2nd Lt. *Dorothy L. Kocher*, Airforce nurse, and *Air Cadet James Kocher*. Lt. Kocher is at the Kelly Field Station hospital, San Antonio, Texas. She is a graduate of the Bryn Mawr School of Nursing, class of '40, and had been assistant supervisor of the East Wing at St. Luke's before enlisting. Both she and her family are members of Christ E. & R. Church.

★ *Anne Lehr Bigelow, Y 3/c*, who was ill with pneumonia at the Brooklyn Naval Hospital is well on the road to recovery. She is the daughter of C. Ellis Lehr, 1522 West North Street, and is the only feminine member of Bethany E. & R. Church in the service.

★ *Aux. Alice Hester Smith, WAC*, a graduate of Allentown High School and wife of Pvt. Arthur Smith, is at Des Moines, Iowa, and doing very well indeed.

★ *Aux. Dorothy E. Smith, WAC*, sister-in-law of Alice, is at Camp Atterbury, Ind. She was always a busy church worker and held down a place with the girl's basketball team. Both girls live at 638 Jischke Street when at home.

★ *Afc. Thelma Clouse*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clouse, 83 West Goepp Street, is a member of the group of WACS who arrived in England. The detachment has been sent to the European scene of operations to take over clerical work from Army men so that they may join their comrades on the fighting fronts.

## LETTERS . . .



★ "There are quite a few Bethlehem boys here — Jim Beatty, Charlie Keeler, Jerome Quarry and Jim Ache, to name a few," writes *Pvt. Lloyd G. Davis*

from Camp Swift, Texas. "Incidentally, Jim Beatty, now in the anti-tank corps, has qualified for the Air Cadets. Also glad to read about the members from Trinity Episcopal Church.

★ "We're working fairly hard here, but combat engineering is exciting and different from other outfits. The general recently announced that our unit is the best trained in Camp Swift, and when bed time rolls around, I'm only too ready to believe it."

★ From *Pvt. Harold Bohning's* letter it sounds as if Army life is pretty swell. Says he: "Having a swell time here and enjoying myself. We are all having plenty of fun down here (Fort Bragg, N. C.). I gained about 15 pounds and we take a hike every week. I enjoy this most of all for my feet feel very good since I have been going on hikes (!). I was used to riding now there is one thing I must do and that is walk . . . I am thanking everybody for the 'Stars.'"

★ *Pvt. Joseph Vargo*, of Freemansburg, sends the following information from Camp Pickett, Va.: "I am not trained to kill for I shoot only with needles. I am a medical soldier and I work to keep our army at its fullest strength. I am proud of it. (And well you may be, Joe!) We had the highest average in our plans and training examination of any training cycle ever here. We are a tough outfit. . . . We get hikes with full packs, drilling, exercise and class room studies."



A. Glose



L. Johnson



M. Groman



A. Smith



D. Kocher



D. Smith



# MORE LETTERS . . .

★ Probably it is *Sergeant Charles Keeler* now, for when he wrote from Camp Swift he said he believed he was then in line for an upgrading. Keeler wrote: "I am the 147-pound champion (boxing) of this first battalion now. I've put on considerable weight due to the wonderful army 'chow.' We have finished our basic training and are well on our way with our second phase, which will probably end sometime in September. Then I hope it's overseas for this outfit."

★ *Sgt. Robert Oechsle* says, "When I received 'Stars' I was stationed at Tyndall Field, Fla., but since then I have graduated from aerial gunnery school as a sergeant and have been sent to Salt Lake City, Utah, for overseas replacement. I have been in the service 22 months."

★ At the time *Cpl. Paul Ruth* wrote to "Stars" he said, "We are now on our maneuvers and personally, I think it is a great life. We have plenty of chow and receive our mail regularly and so far we have some sort of amusement every weekend."—Wotta life, wotta life!

★ *Pfc. Walter C. Kessler, Jr.*, enclosed a picture with his letter with a note, "It is not very clear." That's right, and we could not print it. Send a better one, Walt, and we'll try to use it. He wrote, "July 6 I finished a one week course on the 'walkie-talkie' and found the work very interesting. Kessler is at Camp Mackall, N. C."

★ *Sgt. Stephen Kousz* enclosed with his letter a copy of the Camp Wheeler, Ga., newspaper, "Spokes" and underlined with his pen the name of a Bethlehem boy, Kreshka, who placed fourth in the batting averages for the week July 16 on the "Spokes," camp baseball club, with a .333. He was at bat 75 times and got 19 runs, to first base 21 times, to second twice, and to third once.

★ As for himself, Kousz wrote that "I am a member of St. John's Windish Lutheran church and since being stationed at Camp Wheeler have attended services in the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Macon, Ga. I find the members of the congregation very willing and helpful to all service men and women. Each Sunday, following morning service, a Fellowship dinner is served by the women of the church for all the service men and women in cooperation with the United Lutheran Council."

★ "Thanks a million. Words can not express how much I appreciate my copy of 'Stars,'" said *Sgt. G. C. Trumbore, Jr.*, stationed at the time he wrote in San Francisco with the U. S. Marines. "I apologize for not thanking you for copy No. 2. We have been working 12 hours a day (union men please note!). It may be worth mentioning that Truman Frey, Jr., and I got together a few weeks ago. It's the first time we have seen each other since enlisting. We were school-day buddies."

★ Modestly, he puts an important bit of news last—"I was married June 1 to an Allentown girl, Marion V. Klinger, and we are a very happy married couple. She enjoys 'Stars' too . . . We attend church every Sunday and enjoy doing so, and we never go a day without reading our Bible."

★ Here's a few lines from a WAC, *Aux. Dorothy A. Wolfe*. She writes: "I am a member of Nativity Episcopal Church. I have been at Kelly Field two months; have been assigned as an X-Ray technician and find it fascinating. I love the Army life and my only regret is that I didn't get into the service long ago. It is a strenuous life; never a dull moment, but a clean life and a great satisfaction in knowing one is doing a service for our country."

★ Now for a V-mail letter from one of the several young Bethlehem men who are in the Chaplains Corps, *Lieut. Frank Reynolds*. "I wish to extend my congratulations and appreciation for your services in giving us 'Stars.' (Editor take a bow.) I read it from cover to cover, pausing every now and then as a familiar name or street brought back past events . . . Life in the Hawaiian Islands is beautiful but unexciting. My work as chaplain is much the same as any pastor's parish work, except that I deal only with men in uniform."

★ Another V-mail letter, this from *Dick Buckfeller*, says: "I made seaman first class in March and am expecting to make a signalman third class sometime within the next two months (so he should have that rating soon)." Dick wants to hear from his buddies. "Stars" will print your messages.

★ For lucid description, we give you the following lines from *S/Sgt. John H. Martin* who is, as you will see, in

India: "In India when the sun shines, it is really hot! And when it rains, it really rains! At night one has to sleep with a mosquito net, but mosquitoes aren't the only night pests. Often one will wake with a start to hear a beautiful chorus of a dozen or so jackals howling their fool heads off. This howling usually occurs two or three times nightly. Once in a while some ambitious cuss will shoot one, and the next day the buzzards have a feast."

★ "The scenery around here is bamboo, tea, cattle (very lean and ill-kept), and last but not least, the Hindus. They are not, by American standards, very clean or healthy. India is by no means the most pleasant place to be, but if you are in good health and alive with this war going on, one can't kick. We are all looking forward to the day when we are again in the 'good old U.S.A.'"

★ Writing from North Africa (in pre-Sicily days), *Lieut. Woodrow King* remarks: "I have fought against the French, Germans and Italians and have participated in the taking of prisoners of all three nationalities. My one ambition now is to wind up my experiences with the Japs." He has been overseas ten months.

★ He says, "I received your Introductory Issue (by this time he should have others) and was pleased. I am sure the idea of its creation will be most welcome by the boys from home who are scattered about the far-flung battle fronts."

★ Still in North Africa when he wrote, *Corp. Bob Lorrab*, of Freemansburg, explained that, "I am a corporal now instead of a private. I am still in North Africa (June 21). We are not winning this war alone. It is the Lord above who is doing it . . . so all I can say is—'praise the Lord and pass the ammunition.'"

★ We had *Don Reynolds* down as a private but in his letter he set's us straight. "I'm a seaman, not a private," he says. "I have just received my first copy of 'Stars' and I thank you heartily. The magazine is very interesting and my shipmates have all read it and they enjoy it very much. I have seen quite a few of my pals, 'specially Groeger, Thomas Horner, and others." Reynolds was on Atlantic duty and "took a big part in the doings there."



# STILL MORE LETTERS . . .

★ Sometimes it seems as if the letters received contain mostly remarks about "Stars." Certainly the kind words are appreciated on this end, but we think it looks a bit too much as if we are blowing our own horn by reproducing them here.

★ Notwithstanding, we shall continue to keep 'em coming and here are a few lines from *Joe Foley*, who says: "The first thing I wish to do is express my deep appreciation for your very fine magazine. (Thank's Joe.) I received my first copy today, June 16, and hope I am lucky enough to receive each issue . . . I have read about many of the fellows with whom I went to school . . . I am in North Africa and I can not write of the things I would like to because much of the information is a military secret."

★ *Pvt. Walter Hillegas*, member of a medical battalion in the Hawaiian Islands, writes: "I have received your first edition of "Stars" and I really enjoyed it very much. There were quite a few articles and pictures in it about fellows I know. I passed the magazine from one buddy of mine to another and they all agree it is swell. In a way I wish I could be with my brother in Africa . . ."

★ "*Bernie*" *Radle*, who used to work for the *Globe-Times* and who is now a corporal in an anti-aircraft battalion at Camp Davis, N. C., says, "When I was home recently on furlough I dropped in at the *Globe-Times* to see you but you were not in." Sorry *Bernie*. Would like to have seen you. Better luck next trip.

★ This will acknowledge a brief note from *Pvt. LeRoy Jones, U.S.M.C.*, who writes from New River, N. C., that he has received "Stars." Glad to know you like it!

★ From *Russell S. Hahn, Jr., Y3/c*, comes a "Quickie" note to say that "through it ("Stars") I have found out about many friends who are in different branches of the service all over the world. *Hahn* would like to hear from *Matt. Wotherspoon* and is at Pioneer Hall, Minot State College, Minot, N. D.

★ Thanks for the card on your change of address, *Harold J. Weiss, Sp. (W)1/c*.

★ *Chaplain John Bellan, 1st Lieut., U. S. Cavalry, Ft. Riley, Kan.*, sends his greetings and thanks to all his friends through "Stars" with the cheery cry, "Carry on!"

★ *Afc. Dorothy Kunkle* of the WAC says, "It is nice to read about girls and boys in the service from the 'old home town.'" She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Kunkle, 1019 Broadway.

★ "I certainly did enjoy 'Stars in The Service,'" writes *Pfc. Robert D. Powell* from Seymour Johnson Field, N. C. "This gave me the opportunity to get in touch with some of my friends who went through high school with me. Since I've been in the service I have come in contact with only one person from Bethlehem and reading 'Stars' brought back many memories."

★ "So far I have received two issues of 'Stars in The Service,'" we hear from *Lieut. Warren H. Thomas*. *Lieut. Thomas* is at Ft. Jackson, N. C. He continues, "Lots of times you get to wondering where your friends are and what they are doing and the magazine answers your questions." We're glad of that!

★ An interesting letter comes from *Pfc. William Hillegas*, who is attached to a field hospital unit now somewhere in Sicily. He says, in part, "I have received the second and third issues of 'Stars' and have passed them on to a Bethlehem lad who was hurt in action and who was here in our hospital. I am not allowed to mention his name. I knew him very well and was sure surprised when I saw him. I am now in Sicily. I think I can lay claim to being the first Bethlehem lad in Sicily. I find it a very nice and interesting place, much better than in Africa. So far I have seen action in two countries and I hope to be in there when the last shot is fired." Bill is a brother of *Walter*, whose letter is printed on this page, too.

★ Writing from Delhart, Texas, *S/Sgt. Paul C. Frey, Jr.*, after a paragraph of 'thank you' for 'Stars,' says: "I am stationed here at Delhart as radio operator on a B-17, or what is better known as a 'Flying Fortress.' Being a great booster of these B-17's, I am here to set you straight on the remarks of *Sgt. Gerald King* in the June issue. When tougher jobs are to be done, the good old 'Flying Fortress' will do them. To any of us B-17 boys the B-24 Liberator is better as a cargo ship. (Hold onto your hats! Here comes the brickbats by return mail from *Bro. King!*) However, I guess there is enough space up and

over there for all of us, so we'll all work together and finish these awful issues once, and we hope, for always."

★ There are three Bethlehemites at this station," says *Pvt. G. Pakulla*, who is "somewhere in India." "They are 2nd. *Lieut. John Hrkack* (who is one of our best pilots); *Cpl. Calvin Achey* (who keeps 'em flying), and yours truly (who supplies them)." *Pakulla* enclosed under separate cover a copy of the camp newspaper, *CBI Roundup*, printed in Delhi, India, Thursday, July 29. It is quite a sheet and contains world news and squibs about the men on station, comics, sports—in fact, a full-sized tabloid. Thanks. *Pakulla* sends greetings to all his friends.

★ "Stars" is often a much-travelled magazine and the postoffice is due for a pat on the back for the way in which they seek out the elusive service man. *Warrant Officer W. G. Weiner*, who is at Smoky Hill Army Air Field, Salina, Kan., writes: "Received the magazine today after following me from one base to another . . . There are many times in a man's travels when he will wonder just where and what certain friends are doing and 'Stars' helps him to find out."

★ *Pfc. Clifford Whitesell* is the writer of another missive from Fort Eustis, Va., where he is training with the coast artillery.

★ We had a coupon from issue No. 1 from *Corp. Carl Tomanchek*, who is somewhere in the Pacific area, for his address is care of fleet postoffice, San Francisco.

★ *Paul Starner* writes of receiving his second number at his post in England and no doubt by now has received number 3.

★ "Word from back home makes a fellow overseas feel like he is home," writes *Pvt. Julius S. Horwath, U. S. M. C.*, from somewhere in the Pacific area. He received 'Stars' and enjoyed reading it, he says.

★ Five signatures make this letter from *Edward F. Zelko, Nicholas Kadar, Alfred P. Ronca, Leonard C. Schimmel* and *Frank Podleiszek* unusually interesting. The quintet writes that, "There are five of us in this construction battalion from Bethlehem and we take turns reading about our home town. Even though we are in a hot tropical climate the sea breezes keep us comfortable."



# DAN CUPID'S DEPARTMENT

"'Tis Love That Makes The World Go 'Round"



★ A wedding of more than passing interest was that which united *Lieut. W. Vivian Moses, U.S.N.R.*, son of the Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Walter Vivian Moses, 1315 Lenox Avenue, and *Miss Doreen McLean*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McLean, Norwich, Conn. at three o'clock on the afternoon of August 2.

★ The ceremony was performed in the Old Moravian Chapel by the bridegroom's father, a bishop of the Moravian Church. Miss Marjorie Moses, sister of Lieut. Moses, and Miss Eugenia Horton, of White Plains, N. Y., attended the bride. Since all his most intimate friends are in active service, the bridegroom was unattended.

★ Lieut. Moses has been 25 months in the Pacific area without a visit home and he arrived in this city most unexpectedly after flying from Honolulu, Hawaii, to New York. The marriage was arranged immediately, for Lieut. Moses' leave terminated the middle of the week.

★ "Stars" wishes the newlyweds a long and happy married life.

★ *Corp. Charles W. Johnson* returned to camp to rest up after a recent furlough spent at home. At home? Perhaps that is stretching it a bit since he now has a fiancée . . . so you know where he spent his furlough. His family was nice about it, however, and cooperated and everyone is very happy about his engagement to Sally Ann Geissinger. Congratulations are in order.

★ It seems a shame that news of weddings is not "spot stuff" for Stars, but perhaps it is news just the same to you fellows. *Raymond Yeager, Jr.*, a technical sergeant, met, wooed, won and wed *Miss Gloria Gordon* of Glendale, Calif., while he was attending school in Glendale. To celebrate he received his present stripes July 9. His mother visited him for a week or two at Luke Field, Phoenix, Ariz., and attended his wedding to Miss Gordon.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Earl K. Hippenstiel, 321 East Union Street, have announced the marriage of their daughter, *Althea Mae*, to *Staff Sgt. Lewis R. Jaxheimer*, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Jaxheimer, 41 East Elizabeth Avenue. The wedding took place at noon on Good Friday at the Dale Mabry Field Chapel, Tallahassee, Fla. Captain Elbert Atkinson, chaplain, officiated.



Top: S/Sgt. and Mrs. L. R. Jaxheimer; next below, Pfc. and Mrs. Wilbur Moser; third, Pfc. and Mrs. John Hippenstiel; at bottom, Pvt. and Mrs. Carol Nicol. Lots of wedded bliss, everybody.

★ After a wedding breakfast at the Hotel Florida in Tallahassee, the couple motored to Silver Springs for an extended honeymoon. The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem High School and is employed in the Accounting Department of the Bethlehem Steel Co. The bridegroom, now serving with the U. S. Army Air Corps, is also a graduate of Bethlehem High School and was employed in the Billing Department of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

★ Although belated, here is the announcement of the engagement of *Norman F. Yocum, S 1/c*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yocum, 253 West Laurel Street, and *Miss Ruby Schock*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Schock, 131 East Union Street. No date has been set for the wedding. Yocum is a former Steel Company employee while his fiancée is an employee of Roller-Smith Co.

★ In the Air Force since April 8, 1941, *Sgt. Charles Wernett* charted a new course on June 30 when he took as his bride Miss Margaret Lancsak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Lancsak, 1633 East Fourth Street. The Rev. Dr. E. A. Stiegler officiated at the nuptial. After a wedding trip to Washington, D. C., Sgt. Wernett left for Avon Park bombing range.

★ Sgt. Wernett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Wernett, 1423 Monocacy Street. He trained at Bolling Field, Washington, and after 18 months there was sent to Tyndall Field, Fla., where he received his gunner's wings. He then took up OTU work at Hunter Field, Ga., and now has just completed his aviation engineer course at Sheppard Field, Texas, flying as a gunner in a dive bomber.

★ *William B. Christman, A.M.M. 3/c*, son of Mrs. Wallace Fry, of 428 West Union Boulevard, recently married *Annabelle Herstine*. He is stationed at the naval auxiliary air station, Elizabeth City, N. C., and is helping to keep the patrol planes flying. Annabelle, we suppose, is helping him help the patrol planes.

★ *Lt. Robert Couch*, who is hanging his hat in Chicago, Ill., just now, married Anne Denton of Maplewood, N. J., May 29. The ceremony was performed in Wyoming Church, Millburn, N. J.



## DAN CUPID---Continued

★ It's always a puzzle whether to put an item like this under Romance or just let it go as straight stuff. Here's a fellow, *Pvt. C. W. Cool*, who announced his engagement to that special girl, *Josephine Grube*, of Point Phillips, away back in February. Now it's August and we're just getting to hear about it. Oh well, romance is romance, so here goes. *Pvt. Cool* was inducted February 26 (before or after Romance?) and trained at Ft. Bragg, N. C. He was transferred to the coast artillery at Seattle and has only recently completed schooling at the Motor Transport School in Seattle. Double congratulations!

*Ensign Harry LaRose, Jr.*, was married May 29 to *Ensign Mildred Waters of Rumford, L. I.*, at a ceremony replete with traditional U. S. Navy trimmings. The knot was tied in Christ Episcopal Church, Cambridge, Mass. Congratulations (a bit late) and many happy years of wedded bliss.

★ The marriage of *Miss Marjorie Reese Stickney*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Stickney, 709 Seventh Avenue, and *Lieut. Charles Mahlon Ritter*, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Neil Ritter, 621 Christian Street, took place July 10 at 7:30 p. m. in the chapel at Camp Stewart, Ga., where *Lieut. Ritter* is stationed. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Graves of Savannah, Lutheran pastor.

★ *Lieut. Col. Roy Brackman* gave the bride in marriage. Mrs. Donald Reid, of Savannah, was matron of honor and *Lieut. Donald Q. Reid* was best man. For the benefit of Stars' feminine readers—the bride wore a military-style dress of magnolia crepe and a corsage of a double spray of tea roses. Mrs. Reid was gowned in pink crepe with a corsage of white carnations.

★ A reception was held at the home of *Lieut. and Mrs. William A. Agney*, of Doylestown, who are residing near Camp Stewart. *Lieut. and Mrs. Ritter* are living in Savannah.

★ *Lieut. Ritter*, one of two brothers in the service, was inducted June 28, 1941. A drug clerk at the time, he was soon learning the ropes of the coast artillery at Camp Wallace, Texas. He rose through the ranks to the grade of corporal and was then sent to OCS at Camp Davis, N. C., from which he was graduated March 10, receiving his commission as a

second lieutenant. His bride is a graduate of the Woodbury, N. J., high school and of Bethlehem Business College and was formerly in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

★ *Sgt. Grover Trumbore* was recently married in San Francisco, Calif., where he has been stationed for the past several months. More details wanted, please. How about a picture of the bride and groom?

★ On Wednesday, June 30, Mr. and Mrs. John Wirth, 703 Second Avenue, announced the engagement of their daughter, *Helen Marie*, to *Pfc. John Hippensteil*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl K. Hippensteil, 321 East Union Street. The lucky young man was advanced to his present rating upon his return to Camp Swift, Texas, July 5, after a furlough at home. No date has been set for the wedding.

★ *Miss Wirth* is a graduate of Liberty High School and Bethlehem Business College and is employed in the main office of the Bethlehem Steel Company. *Pfc. Hippensteil* attended B. H. S., B. B. C., and was employed by the Steel Company before going into the Army. How about a picture for Stars?

★ It's nice to have pictures of our brides and grooms and we hope these two couples will send some on so that their friends can get a look at them with that first dew of romance on them. These two bridegrooms are members of Fritz Memorial Methodist Church. One is *Lt. Scott Maxwell*, who took as his wife *Louise Pelly*. The ceremony was performed in Arizona in the Army chapel and Mrs. Maxwell is staying on with her husband until he is shipped overseas.

★ The other is *Pvt. P. S. Roth*, who married *Grace Schaffer*, two ministers succeeding in getting the knot tied in Fritz church. They were the Rev. J. Horace Barnes, pastor, and the Rev. Benjamin Lotz, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. *Pvt. Roth* is in the Anti-aircraft command service.

★ Better late than never comes the news of the marriage last December 2 of *Pvt. Carl Nichol*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nichol, Sr., Miller Heights, and *Olga Ebeling*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ebeling, 330 East Broad Street. Carl is at Camp Tyson, Tenn.



## BLESSED EVENTS

★ It looks as if Stars must apologize to *Judy Beth Ritter* for having her born in the wrong place at the wrong time and putting her daddy down as an officer candidate when he really was a first "looie." *Judy*, wee daughter of *Lieut. and Mrs. Henry Ritter*, first saw the light of day January 26, in Paris, Texas, not in Florida. *Lieut. Ritter* was inducted February 3, 1941 from his employment as a pharmacist at Yohe's Drug Store, Tenth and West Broad. He served as an enlisted man up to staff sergeant and then attended O.C.S. at Carlisle Barracks, from which he was graduated and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Med. Adm. Corps August 25, 1942. He was promoted to first lieutenant in January of '43.

★ To be sure, we should have a picture of the new son, but since we do not, we'll put in one of the new poppa, *Lieut. Francis L. Grube*, U. S. Army Medical Detachment, Camp Butner, N. C. The baby, named Bruce Francis, was born to *Lieut. and Mrs. Grube*, the former *Laura Jane Trumbore* of Richmond Avenue, June 18, 1943 and weighs six pounds, 8¾ ounces. *Lieut. Grube* is the son of *William J. Grube* and Mrs. Grube the daughter of the C. H. Trumbores.

★ *Pvt. Raymond I. Unangst*, now stationed somewhere in Africa, was very proud when he received word that he became a father of a daughter on June 23.

★ *Pvt. Wilbur H. Grube*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grube, 330 Franklin Street, has become a papa. He was unable to get home to see his new son for he is stationed at Camp Santa Anita, Arcadia, Calif.

★ *2nd Lieut. and Mrs. Israel A. S. Yost* became the parents of their second child, a son, on August 29, at the home of the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Landon, of East Lawn, Nazareth R. D. 3. The child will be named Christian Michael Yost. Mrs. Yost is the former Miss Peggy Landon. *Lt. Yost*, a chaplain in the U. S. Army on overseas duty, is the former pastor of the Hecktown Farmersville Lutheran Charge.



# THE ARMY ON THE HOME LOAN

*"What So Proudly We Hailed at the Twilight's Last Gleaming"*



These men of Bethlehem are serving the colors: 1, H. L. Ritter; 2, C. M. Ritter; 3, R. K. Kuklentz; 4, M. Moyer, Jr.; 5, M. Stahl; 6, C. Hausman; 7, D. B. Canfield; 8, W. E. Gearhart; 9, F. L. Grube; 10, H. Cool; 11, H. Brandon; 12, H. Schadler, Jr.; 13, W. Klase; 14, L. Smith; 15, D. Dutt; 16, E. Schildt; 17, Leon Wohlbach; 18, Lester Wohlbach; 19, L. F. Frey; 20, C. A. Gilbert, Jr.; 21, E. Lambert; 22, C. Nolf; 23, L. Webb; 24, D. Halteman; 25, C. W. Cool; 26, R. P. Jones; 27, W. B. Coyle; 28, E. O. Smith; 29, H. L. Dillinger; 30, E. E. Peters; 31, W. Bastian; 32, G. L. DeSchweinitz; 33, F. Ward; 34, J. Hurt.



## THE ARMY AT HOME---continued

★ Away out in Kansas, far from the banks of the Lehigh and the Monocacy, *Pfc. Harry L. Dillinger* is enjoying the recreational (?) facilities of that famous summer resort (?), Camp Phillips. *Pfc. Dillinger* is a member of an infantry medical detachment and is, we hope, an expert with "CC Pills and Iodine." He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Dillinger, Sr., 413 West Broad Street, and his picture is posted in the vestibule of Bethany E. & R. Church.

★ *Dick Kuklantz* wears a lieutenant's bars in the accompanying picture, but he was reportedly an acting captain and instructor at Camp Claiborne, La. His infantry outfit went across without him. *Kuklantz* is a graduate of Penn State College and has been in the army about two years. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles *Kuklantz*, 402 Prospect Avenue. News of him came through Bethany E. & R. Church.

★ *Paul Pender*, Northampton Heights, is at Fort Benning, Ga. A former steel worker and a "hard hitter," he says he intends to deal some hearty blows at the Nazis when he gets "over there."

★ *Chester Rowlette*, who won distinction in civilian life as a violinist and leader of the 2nd Baptist Church choir, is doing clerical work at Greenville, Pa., for the Army. *Chester* is an alumnus of Liberty High.

★ Most popular men in any Army camp is the fellow who sounds "Mess Call," for even in the Army the shortest way to a man's heart is through his stomach. *Pfc. Donald C. Durn*, another Hellertown lad, was regimental bugler at his latest camp, and no doubt will continue to be at his next stopping place. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles *Durn*, 303 High Street, Hellertown, he was inducted March 4 and made private first class June 25. Recently he had a fifteen-day furlough with his folks and was then expecting a transfer to a camp where he will be trained in glider technique. He's a HHS graduate, class of '42 and was employed by the P. B. & N. E. R. at the Steel plant.

★ Can you tie this! Here is another bugler, one who not only toots his own horn but teaches the other tooters to toot (there's a jingle for that, but too long to quote). *Pvt. Marvin A. Fritzing* is bugle instructor at Camp Davis, N. C. He has survived in the Army since December 5, 1942, when he entered the coast artillery. He graduated from specialist school at Ft. Eustis, Va., and was sent to Davis. He is a member of Grace Lutheran Church.

★ *Lloyd E. Webb* proudly wears his first stripe, which he received during June. He was inducted February 18 and is now at Camp Swift, Texas, with the infantry. *Lloyd* received some awards for sharpshooting and his keen eye will stand him in good stead some day. His brother, *Harry*, is in North Africa or points north. The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. *Harry Webb*, 724 Broadway.

★ When mail arrives in camp at Fort Knox, Ky., there sure's to be a stentorian bellow, "Huckleberry Finn!" When there is, *George deSchweinitz* steps forward and takes the box with the cookies in it, for at Ft. Knox the name *deSchweinitz* is too much of a mouthful for mail clerks and "Huckleberry Finn" seems to come easier. *George* is with the armored force and making out very well indeed. He is a member of Nativity Episcopal Church.

★ *Pfc. Howard S. Ruch* is devouring the essentials as a trainee with the engineers of the Airborne Division at Camp Mackall, N. C. He gets a big kick, he writes, out of building bridges, going to chemical school and bivouacing nights. What helps to make it nice for him, too, is that a number of his chums from Hellertown are with him at Mackall. *Pvt. Ruch* is the son of Mr. and Mrs. *Howard Ruch*, 151 New Street, Hellertown, is a member of Christ Lutheran Church and was inducted April 6.

★ *Sgt. Edward Franklin Schildt* (that's a mouthful) was last reported at Camp Dix, N. J., but most of you know what that means, so his present whereabouts is doubtful. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. *C. Schildt*, 505 Sioux Street. He was inducted January 20, 1942 and reported, as usual, at New Cumberland. From there he went to Camp Gordon, Ga., thence to Dix and on to — —? Oh yes, he belongs to the First Reformed Church.

★ Our Lehigh Valley soldiers are certainly engaged in a variety of branches of the service, many of which were never heard of before the present war. Here is *Pfc. Herbert Schadler, Jr.*, in training at Camp Davis, N. C., with an automatic weapons battalion and what he won't know about these deadly arms won't be worth mentioning. *Herb* is 21, a graduate of Bethlehem High, class of '39, and was inducted September 7, 1942. He got his basic at Ft. Eustis, Va., and his first stripe June 1 of this year. He is the son of Mrs. *Elsie Kehl*, 648 Bradley Street. He has plans for becoming an air cadet. We hope they materialize.

★ *Pfc. Gordon W. Halteman* is serving in the Medical Corps and is stationed at Camp Lawton, Seattle, Wash. Before going to Washington he was at Denver, Colo., where he graduated as a surgical technician. At present he is an orderly in *Fitzsimons General Hospital*.

★ *Pfc. Donald O. Halteman*, brother of *Gordon*, is attached to the military police at Camp Patrick Henry, Va., and is doing clerical work in the headquarters office.

★ *Kerwin H. Silfies* has been promoted to private first class and is now attending radio school at Ft. Knox, Ky. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. *Robert F. Silfies*, 1127 Elm Street.

★ *Pvt. Gerald R. Weaver*, son of Mr. and Mrs. *Charles Weaver*, 709 Englewood Street, received the congratulations of family and friends on the 28th of June when he celebrated his 21st birthday. He's at Leesburg, Va., and tells the homefolks that of the things he misses most he finds driving his car and roller skating the most notable. (The editor may as well put in his oar here to remark that he misses his car and is thinking of taking up roller skating).

★ *Pvt. John Danish* is taking his basic training at Greensboro, N. C. He says the Army's all right when you get used to it!

★ *Pvt. Frederick Knouss*, in the Infantry at Camp Blanding, Fla., is at present out on the range. This range training is the maneuvering under conditions as nearly as possible like actual combat. In fact, *Fred* says, he thinks actual combat may seem tame after the kind of training he is getting.

★ *Sgt. Arthur Male* is stationed at Trenton, N. J. He formerly lived in Bethlehem and was at Liberty High two years, moving to Madison, N. J., where he finished high school and entered the employ of the Public Service Co. He is the son of Mrs. *Arthur Male*, of Bethlehem, and has been in the service of his country over a year. This word of him come through *Fritz Memorial Methodist Church*.

★ Brother of Lt. *Edward J. Coyle*, *Pvt. William B. Coyle*, is attached to a military police outfit at Mt. Vernon, Ill. Like his brother, *Bill* is a former Nativity member and a graduate of Liberty High, class of '38. He, too, is now a member of *St. Paul's Church*, Chicago, and gives his home address as 1363 East 50th Street, Chicago. His and his brother's pictures came to Stars from Miss *Hilda Burnall*, their aunt.



## THE ARMY AT HOME---continued

★ Telling the rookies how to do it, *Corp. Earl Lambert* is putting to good advantage everything he has learned in the handling of coastal anti-aircraft guns. He entered the army October 17, 1941, and trained at Ft. Eustis, Va., later moving up to Washington, his present station. He instructs in special guard duty as well as in gunnery.

★ Here's one soldier who preferred training in specialized laboratory technique to officer candidate school and who now is participating in the activities of a laboratory said to be the only one of its kind in the Army, one which fills the same role as the Panama Canal group did in 1918, a laboratory which will be the main one for the Army in Europe. He is *Charles Lambert*, and he's doing very well indeed. He was inducted December 8, 1942 and sent first to Ft. Meade, then to Camp Barkley, Texas, where he was given his choice of OCS or lab. training. From Barkley he went to William Baumont General Hospital, El Paso, Texas, and was the first student chosen to take the course in Histo-Pathology. While at El Paso he was named "best soldier" in his outfit. His third post was at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

★ Right in his element amid books and dollars and other such gadgets, *Pvt. Chester Nolf* is doing his bit at the headquarters at Charleston Port of Embarkation in the finance department, so if your pay check is late, maybe Chester knows where it is. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nolf, 806 Wood Street, and was inducted December 8, 1942. He trained at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., and was sent from there to his present post. He is a former Bethlehem Steel armor department employee and is a member of Christ Evangelical and Reformed church.

★ Up to his elbows in dough (not the kind you get at the U. S. Mint), *Corp. Charles A. Gilbert, Jr.*, is giving the boys at Carlisle barracks the benefit of his skill as a baker. He is the son of the late Charles A. Gilbert and Mrs. Gilbert. His mother resides at 731 West Broad Street. Charlie is one of the host of Bethlehem Steel employees wearing the uniform and is a member of Holy Trinity.

★ *Pvt. Bruce Peacock*, who has been studying at Lehigh, is now at Rutgers, but with the Army paying the freight. Mechanical engineering is the course and the Engineering Division the goal. He completed his basic at Fort Belvoir, Va.

★ A nice long furlough, his first since he entered the service in November in 1941, was enjoyed by *Sgt. Earl L. Leonhard*, who had a vacation from May 23 until June 8. He divided his time between Bethlehem, Boston and his home in Urichsville, Ohio. He celebrated his 25th birthday on May 25 with a group of friends at the home of Mrs. Harold Heimbrook, his sister, here in Bethlehem.

★ *Bill Hittinger* is at Aberdeen Proving Grounds for ordnance work. Like Peacock, he was at Lehigh U.

★ *Pfc. John Erdell*, former local artist, is at present stuck away in the wilds of Florida, near Bartow. It must be a beautiful spot, unspoiled by man if Erdell's delighted descriptions are to be taken as fact.

★ *Pvt. Peter Chovan*, who learned how to drill a square hole while a student in Technical High school, is now at Fort Andrews, Mass., drilling holes in teeth. Entering the Army March 18, 1942, *Pvt. Chovan* trained in the dental clinics at Fort Banks, Devens and Andrews. He likes his work and never fails to tell of some interesting angle when he writes home to his folks, who live at 216 Diamond Street.

★ *Sgt. John E. Hudak* spent a furlough with his parents during the weeks of the fifth and twelfth of July.

★ *Earl Peters*, private first class, U.S. Army, brother of Sea-Bee Mark Peters, was inducted January 21, 1943 and is presently at Kearns Field, Utah, serving with the Guard Squadron. He recently was advanced to his present rating. Like Mark, he was an all-around gridder back in his high school days.

★ *Pvt. Glennie Cobbs*, Shawnee Street, is at Camp VanDorn, Miss.; *Pfc. Andrew Brandon*, his next-door neighbor at 318 Shawnee Street, is at Camp Forrest, Tenn. *Pvt. Melvin S. F. Johnson*, a former grid star and track man at Liberty High, is at Camp Stewart. *Pfc. Reuben Moore*, steel worker of Northampton Heights, is stationed at Hunter Field, Savannah, Ga. *Corp. Raymond F. Campbell*, member of one of Bethlehem's oldest colored families and son of a father prominent in civic activities, is at Camp Swift, Texas. He is an LHS graduate.

★ *Pvt. Ernest "Bubbles" Enix* is stationed at Camp Stewart, Ga. He won considerable fame as an amateur boxer, a football player and a general all-around athlete.

★ *Pvt. LeRoy Smith* is one of three brothers in the service. His sister and sister-in-law, Dorothy and Alice Smith, are in the WAC. LeRoy is at Camp VanDorn, Miss., and is reputed a "jolly good fellow". Second brother is *Pvt. Elmer*, youngest of the trio, who is at Camp Swift, Texas. Brother *Arthur*, also a private, recently was the recipient of a cash prize and letter of commendation for his excellent performance on the obstacle course at Camp Stewart, Ga. He completed the difficult trip around under full pack and equipment in 2 minutes and two seconds.

★ He paraded at Casablanca when President Roosevelt dropped out of the sky with Prime Minister Churchill. He's a hard bitten veteran of the North African campaign and possibly he is gazing into Italy right now. He remembered his Mother on Mother's Day with a telegram. On June 28 he wrote to her, "Please don't worry about me. I'm fine." The letter was datelined Bizerte. A member of the First Reformed Church, he is a graduate of Technical High, entered the service February 3, 1942, went to Meade in Maryland, to Camp Wheeler, Ga., and to Ft. Bragg, N. C., and from there overseas. He's the son of Mrs. Betty Malloy, 511 Sioux Street. He's a typical American soldier. He's *Pfc. William H. Daggett*. Now you know.

★ *William H. Bailey* is reported wounded in action somewhere in New Guinea. His friends are hoping that by this time he is back in the line of duty.

★ When the picture was taken, *Stanley G. Moyer* was just a buck private. Maybe he's up a peg or two now. We hope so. He served as Provincial M. P. in Philadelphia until a short time ago, when he was supposedly enroute across the Big Pond. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Garvin Moyer, 619 Eleventh Avenue, and has been in service over a year.

★ Perhaps *Corp. Allen Chinn* is able these days to put to some use his skill in the "manly art of self-defense" at his post at Fort Meyer, Va.

★ From *Pvt. John O. Watson, Jr.*, we learn that "Army jobs are open to all and he who can serve best gets the post." Watson is at Camp Stewart and his is not the first report of the same kind.

★ A post card from the postal authorities advises that *Sgt. John H. Hurt*, son of the Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Hurt, has been moved to Camp Meade, Md., from Holabird, Md., on "official orders." *Sgt. Hurt* is a member of a quartermaster regiment.



★ *Pvt. Vincent R. Achey*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Achey, 330 East North Street, is stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo., according to the latest report to Stars from his family.

★ Down Hellertown way they go into the service in droves. It appears. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey K. Wolbach have sent three sons to the armed forces. One, *Pfc. Stanley H. Wohlbach*, was inducted August 4, 1942 and is now at West Palm Beach, Fla. He received his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and was sent from there to Morrison Field at WPB. He got his first stripe June 12, 1943 and is on the guard squadron.

★ Twin brothers of Stanley, *Lester and Leon*, are in training together at Camp Mackall, N. C., with the airborne division of the glider infantry. They were inducted April 6. Stanley was a farmer like his dad but the twins were employed by the Bethlehem Seel Co.

★ July 4th meant just one thing to *Corp. Tech. Paul H. Ruth*, brother of "Cats Eye" Troy. It was the day he started on maneuvers in the Tennessee mountains. In a letter home describing that epic day he said he had spent the night digging a fox-hole. "Rather hot digging" he said. He went out on the maneuver trek from Camp Forrest, where he had been stationed since he went into the Army October 6, 1942. He now is happily engaged, in his spare moments, lettering trucks and bulldozers (he was a sign painter at home) and says you have to be smart to know when to use all the gadgets on these machines! He gets up at 5 a. m. and is glad to hit the hay when the day ends. Paul likes to get mail and he gets plenty, but he's too busy to answer much of it while on maneuvers. Like his brother, he is a member of St. Paul's Church.

★ *Pvt. James Rice* recently was transferred to Camp Meade, Md., from Camp Grant, Ill. He is in the Army Medical Corps. Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen G. Rice, 510 Twelfth Avenue.

★ *S/Sgt. Leavitt F. Frey* is an old hand at the Army game for he has served a three year hitch with Uncle Sam and re-enlisted October 13, 1942. He is now with an infantry machine gun unit at Camp Atterbury, Ind., and his wife and son are living at 916 Main Street. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Truman L. Frey, 1026 North Center Street.



Left and right, top to bottom: In first column, R. Roth, E. Harpel, G. Weaver, H. Ruch, R. Watson, G. Halteman, G. Achey, J. Klotz, C. Fritz, T. Potillo, B. Peacock, D. Durn, C. Lambert, M. Lintrenta above, M. Fritzinger, E. Johnson, K. Siffles, J. Carl, R. Lichtenwalner, G. Lichtenwalner, O. Frye, G. Althoff, G. MacKnight, C. Canfield, R. Commodore, A. Male.



## THE ARMY AT HOME---continued

★ *Corp. Robert E. Watson*, born and brought up in Bethlehem, is now at Camp LesPlaines, Joliet, Ill. We hope his athletic skill is standing him in good stead.

★ *Pvt. Thomas Pottillo* is at Ft. Devens, Mass. He lived at 28 West Third Street and is the son of William Pottillo. He's a member of St. Paul's Baptist Church.

★ Doing Military Police duty at Smelter Camp, Douglass, Ariz., *Pfc. George Stokes* is serving his country with as much devotion as the men who have been sent to foreign soil. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stokes, Hellertown.

★ Two service stars adorn the flag in the window of the home of *Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Canfield, Sr.*, 403 Monroe Street, Freemansburg, denoting the fact that the Canfield brothers, Clayton, Jr., and Donald, are serving in the army.

★ *Clayton, Jr.*, is a private and is practically the luckiest soldier in the army, being stationed at Lehigh University. He has traveled much since he left on December 26, 1942 to join Uncle Sam's forces. He has been stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass.; Camp Stewart, Ga.; The Citadel, S. C.; and Lehigh University, respectively. "Bud" as he is known to his friends, graduated from Liberty High School, class of 1940. Before his induction, he was an active member of the Trinity Evangelical and Re-Reformed Church, serving as Assistant Superintendent of the Sunday School and also as Deacon in the church. His "hobby" is playing baseball and he has played with the city league for the past few years. Prior to his induction, he was employed in the Bethlehem Steel Company.

★ His brother, *Pfc. Donald Canfield*, left for the army April 6, 1943. He is in one of the newer outfits, the Glider Infantry. We are told that this is a "tough" outfit, but we all know that "Don" can take it. He is now stationed at Camp Mackall, N. C., where he has been since his induction. Before entering the service, Donald had been employed in the Electrical Department of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

★ *Lieut. Harry Hydusik*, Army Signal Corps, visited Bethlehem with his wife on their way back to the West coast after a two-week furlough. For a year he was a "married bachelor" and is therefore all the more able to appreciate being able to take his wife with him. *Lieut. Hydusik* is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hydusik, East Sixth Street.

★ *Stanley G. Moyer* is a member of the Military Police. He entered the service in January and received his basic training in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia. He also spent a month at Media.

★ Friends of *Francis C. Ward* were happy to learn of his advance in rating to staff sergeant. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Ward, 433 Third Avenue, he entered the service in February of 1941. He is stationed at North Camp Hood, Texas, as this is written and is a member of a tank replacement unit. He is a former employee of the Saucon Valley Country Club.

★ *Pvt. Wilbur Bastian*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bastian, Sr., 259 West Greenwich Street, graduated from Bethlehem Technical High School in 1943. He had been employed at the Splitdorf Factory before he was inducted into the Army. He is receiving his basic training at Fort Bragg, N. C., where he is in the Field Artillery. The latter part of June his parents, sisters, and 73-year-old grandmother visited him at camp.

★ *Pvt. Curtis A. Hausman*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Hausman, 227 East Garrison Street, received his basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala., and is now stationed with the coast artillery at Fort Miles, Del. Curt had his furlough, starting the 23rd of July and sang in the choir of St. Paul's E. & R. Church on a Sunday, receiving communion also.

★ *Pvt. William Heimbrook* has completed his basic training at Greensboro, N. C., and is now in the Army Specialized Training program. He has been sent to the University of Illinois.

★ After graduating from Lehigh University last June, *Walter S. Titlow, Jr.*, entered the Army Signal Corps with the rank of corporal. He is presently undergoing basic training at Ft. Monmouth in the Officer Candidate School and tells the folks back home that the going is plenty strenuous and that the discipline was pretty tight at first. He's getting accustomed to things now and hitting on all four cylinders.

★ *Pfc. William Klase*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Klase, 1450 Hottle Avenue, is now at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. He was inducted January 2 from his employment at Potter's service station.

★ *Pvt. Robert Williams*, a recent inductee from Ebenezer Mennonite

congregation, writes from Camp Pickett, Va., that he is drilling hard for the scheduled camp Olympics and expresses the hope that his corps will win, for a three day pass awaits the victors.

★ "Stars" apologies to *Allen "Tiny" Kemmerer*, who was described in the June number as being five feet five and one-half inches tall and weighing 250 pounds! At that rate he would be "Mr. Five by Five" who was "five feet tall and five feet wide." Actually, "Tiny" stands six feet and six inches in his sox. We reiterate—if the army was made up of men his size the Heinies would never stop running 'till they got to Berlin.

★ *Pfc. Erwin L. Johnson* is stationed at Camp Maxey, Texas, with the headquarters and service company.

★ *Pvt. Harry Cool*, son of Mrs. Mary Cool, Center Street, is also in Texas. He recently enjoyed a furlough home.

★ *Corp. Richard Roth* is busy learning the intricacies of up-to-the-minute communications with the Signal Corps at Ft. Monmouth, N. J.

★ *Pfc. Robert Commodore* is putting in his time at Camp Elliott, San Diego, Calif., learning how to handle light machine guns and other infantry weapons.

★ Stationed at Camp Mt. Vernon, Ill., *T/Sgt. Edward C. Mohr* is a member of a Military Police unit there and is serving in the headquarters detachment as battalion supply sergeant. Sgt. Mohr is in his third year with Uncle Sam's army, for he entered the service April 23, 1941. He trained successively at Arlington Canto, Va.; Fort Dix, N. J., and in maneuvers at Ft. Benning, Ga.

★ *Pvt. Morris J. Litrenta* is presently stationed with a signal training battalion at Camp Crowder, N. J., and finding lots to do to keep busy. He was inducted April 2 and has been at Crowder ever since leaving New Cumberland. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Litrenta, 828 Center Street, and is a member of St. Paul's E. & R. Church.

★ *Pvt. Henry A. Knechel*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Knechel, 30 East Market Street, recently spent a two week furlough at his home after an eight-month tour of duty at Fort Nelson on the Alcan Highway. Rumor hath it that at Ft. Nelson one could have moose steak simply by going into the woods with a sharp knife and carving a steak from the nearest moose. How about it?



## THE ARMY AT HOME---continued

★ It turns out that *Pvt. William Highfield* is not cut out to be a commando—or so it appears, for he broke his arm in one of the hanging hurdles at Aberdeen on his first try.

★ Talking of bad luck! *Pfc. John Patton*, stationed at Bowman Field, Ky., was in an accident with a "jeep." He received head injuries and is in an army hospital. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Patton of Freemansburg.

★ *Pfc. George Lichtenwalner* was inducted into the Army February 20, 1942. Before his entrance into the armed forces, he was employed at the Bethlehem Steel Company. He is located at Indiantown Gap at the present time.

★ Friends of *Pvt. Robert Zettlemoyer*, son of Erwin Zettlemoyer, 319 Liberty Street, had the pleasure of greeting the young soldier at a Sunday service in Ebenezer Mennonite Church when he was home on a recent furlough. Zettlemoyer attended Sunday School and church services. He is at present at Camp Pickett, Va., with a medical detachment.

★ *Pvt. Orlan S. Frye*, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Frye, Water Valley, Miss., was inducted into the service in November, 1942. He is serving in the Ordnance Department, having received basic training at Camp Santa Anita, Calif., and later at Camp Perry, Ohio. He is now located at Camp Chaffee, Ark. Although a native southerner, he spent the last few years up north in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company. He is married to the former Miss Irene Polcrack, of Freemansburg, and resided there until his induction.

★ One of Freemansburg's Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church's faithful workers is *George McKnight*, who is stationed at Camp Aberdeen, Maryland. "Mac" was the Financial Secretary of the Church, Assistant Superintendent of the Sunday School, and also a Deacon of the church, and was a student of Lehigh University and a member of the R. O. T. C. He recently spent a week-end with friends and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McKnight, Green Street, Freemansburg.

★ *Pfc. Leonard Reiser*, who has been given a discharge from the army, also served his country in the first World War. Prior to his induction, he had been a gas station attendant. Before he was given a medical discharge, he was stationed in Texas. He is now employed by the Bethlehem Steel Company.

★ Word of *Pvt. Gordon Achey* from Camp Ellis, Ill., brings mention of another Bethlehemite, *William Cawn*, who is working with Achey in the personnel office. Achey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester H. Achey, 526 East Laurel Street, was a member of a signal installation company and trained at Camp Crowder, Mo. He's a member of Nativity Episcopal Church, class of 1941 at Liberty High and was inducted April 2.

★ *Pvt. Walter M. Creitz, Jr.*, having completed his basic training at Greensboro, N. C., is now at the University of Illinois, where he is in the A.S.T.P. as a mechanical engineering student. He writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Creitz, Sr., 9 West Laurel Street, that his present quarters are very beautiful and modern, all buildings being air-conditioned. Before entering the service *Pvt. Creitz* was an active member of St. Paul's E. & R. Church and the young people's society and also of Wilbur Chapter, DeMolay.

★ *Pvt. Russell Lichtenwalner* underwent induction into the Army January 20, 1943. He, like his brother George, found employment at the Bethlehem Steel Company. Recently he enjoyed a ten day furlough at the home of his parents, returning to Camp Tyson, Tennessee. The trio, James, George and Russell are members of Christ Lutheran Church, Hellertown, the Rev. Byron R. Stauffer, pastor.

★ *Pfc. William Gearhart* was inducted into the service in February, 1943. He has been stationed at Camp Swift where he did quite some truck driving. Most recently he had been with the Headquarters Detachment. He has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gearhart, 1032 Wood Street, that he will take up special training at Texas A. & M. shortly.

★ *Pvt. George Althoff* since his induction in January, 1943, has been stationed at Fort Meade in Maryland. At this writing he is somewhere on maneuvers.

★ *Joseph Heller, Jr.*, was graduated on July 8th from Officers' Training School at Fort Benning, Georgia. After receiving his commission as 2nd Lieutenant he came home for a 10-day furlough and then proceeded to Camp McClellan for his orders.

★ Sometime ago *Pvt. Walter Kessler*, who is training with the glider infantry at Camp Mackall, N. C., wrote that the temperature rose to 102 in the shade and said "they tell us it will get hotter in July and August." Well, August is gone. How hot was it?

★ *Capt. Ralph Shields*, who practiced medicine in Bethlehem, was in town June 27 and attended services in Central Moravian together with his family. He is on duty at the station hospital, Mitchell Field, L. I.

★ *Pvt. Joseph Morris* writes from Ft. Bragg, N. C.: "The Army does seem to like to move us around. It's the fifth time I've been moved since I've been in. They reorganized the headquarters setup at camp. Now the personnel sections from five regiments work in one small room and it's terrific!"

★ Latest member of the congregation of St. John Slovak Lutheran Church for the service is *Pvt. Lloyd Lewis*, who has been assigned to the Medical Regiment at Ft. Dix, N. J. His work as a doctor's aide at the State Hospital will come in handy in the army, eh what, sawbones? But his wife Anna will miss him.

★ Ebullient *Pvt. Martin Skrovina*, in his effervescent manner, writes us from Camp Shelby that the job of MP has its good points. He's hoping to get out and do some policing of a slice of Europe soon. His mother, Mrs. Katherine Skrovina, hears from him often.

★ *Pvt. Joseph Skulteti*, son of Mrs. Emilia Skulteti, Hellertown, has been transferred from the Jersey meadows to Ft. Custer, Mich.

★ *Martin Tomanchik, T/5*, seems to be indispensable at Camp Hood, Texas, for, after a trek about the country, he winds up at his old bivouac. Texas may be heaven to those southern gen'men, but Tomanchik prefers the ozone of Bethlehem. He hails from Hellertown and is the son of Mrs. Anna Tomanchik.

★ A camp mate of Tomanchik is *Pvt. Andrew Wida*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wida of East Sixth Street. Both the boys are with a tank destroyer battalion.

★ *Pfc. John R. Carl* received that coveted first stripe June 25 at Camp Swift, Texas. Johnny was graduated in February at Liberty High. He will be remembered as a member of the grid team during his junior year. After his induction he spent only four days at New Cumberland, from February 26 to March 2, departing for Camp Swift almost at once. Before he got into the army he worked for the American Stores Company. This bit of news was supplied by the pastor of his church, Olivet Evangelical, the Rev. R. S. Wolfgang.



## THE ARMY AT HOME---concluded

★ *Pvt. Lloyd G. Davies*, another local boy at Camp Swift, describes in a recent letter something of the Ranger training he has been getting. He says, "We spent a week on the Colorado River in heavy woods. Snakes were a dime a dozen. Wild turkeys, possums (yum-yum), armadillos and about everything else wild were everywhere. This training is fairly tough, but oh, it really limbers you up!"

★ Most of Bethlehem's soldiers begin their army careers at New Cumberland, but not *Charles Fritz*. He started out December 5, 1942 at Fort Meade, Md., and landed at last at the induction center near Harrisburg where he is now in the finance department. Fritz graduated at L. H. S. in 1940. During his school life he was a member of the glee club and sang in the 1939 and 1940 operettas. Before Uncle Sam's long arm reached out for him he was employed in No. 4 machine shop of the Bethlehem Steel Co. He, too, is a member of Olivet Church.

★ *Sgt. Dale Dutt's* army career seems to be a series of steps up the ladder. He graduated at L. H. S. with the class of 1940, enlisted February 25, 1941, advanced to private first class November 5, 1942, to corporal January 14, 1943 and to sergeant February 24. He spent his first five army days at Fort Meade, Md., from where he was assigned to Camp Wheeler, was qualified as a sharpshooter and is now in the medical detachment. His whereabouts at this writing is not known as he was in process of being moved. Oh yes, by the way—Sgt. Dutt is engaged to Regina Burdell, a Quakertown miss.

★ *Pvt. Albert R. Nonnemaker* is training at present on the rifle range.

★ *Ray Steager writes*, "There is little I can write about the country known as Alaska. Since arriving at this station, living conditions have been greatly improved. We now have motion pictures, electric lights in our office, and a regular mess hall with tables and chairs. For recreation there is softball, song sessions, or movies. Worthwhile books are also available. I am stationed with a swell bunch of fellows (no women) who cooperate with one another splendidly."

★ *Pvt. Marcus Moyer, Jr.*, is still on desert maneuvers. He writes that the weather is very hot and dry—it hasn't rained in that section for over five years. He expects a furlough in August or September.

★ *Pfc. Carlton Fink* is progressing very nicely with his Radio Engineer's Course and expects to graduate on July 19th. If he is successful, he will be transferred from Truax Air Field at Madison, to Roma, Wisconsin, where he will take a course in Advanced Radio.

★ *Paul H. Bishop, Jr.*, Army Medical Reserve Corps, spent several weeks' vacation at home, before being inducted into the army at New Cumberland, Pa. He has returned to the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he is completing his final year of medical studies under the eye of Uncle Sam.

★ *Pvt. David J. Zehner, Jr.*, has begun his basic training at Woodrow Wilson General Hospital, Staunton, Va. He reports that he likes his duties and associates very much.

★ *Lieut. William S. Thompson, Jr.* writes that he doesn't know how this happened, but—in disarming another soldier, the heel of the gun hit him above the right eye, necessitating five stitches.

★ College Hill Moravian has a young member stationed at Camp Gordon, Johnston, Fla., *Sgt. Harold Ruth*, an Infantryman.

★ Nearly every church in Bethlehem, so far as we know, sends some sort of a letter to its sons and daughters in service. Among them we have had sent to us that of Pastor Roy Grams, of First Moravian, and we have found it interesting and full of chit-chat about these whose names are on the service roster. Rather than pick each one out separately, we'll try to give an excerpt on each and condense, so here goes:

★ *Aux. Ella Ladachy, WAC*, writes from Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., that "Georgie is getting a little hot for us Pennsylvanians". *Cpl. Ernest Amman*, at Camp Murphy, Fla., has lost 26 pounds, 'tis said. *Cpl. Joseph Allam* is still in England and writing interestingly of his experiences (with an eye on the censor). *Harry Baird, A/C*, remains "deep in the heart of Texas." *Pvt. George Bradford* sends his regards to all his friends in the service. Bradford is in Africa and participated in many of the battles which brought about the downfall of Nazi-Facist imperialism there.

★ *Pfc. Robert Brotzman* reportedly is in Allentown. *Pfc. Lester Brown*

## A MESSAGE

Once again, a brief message to you whose interest in "Stars" is making it a success:—

Over thirty churches in Bethlehem, Freemansburg and Hellertown are now participating in this project. That is very good to know. The third issue ran 3,400 copies, of which close to 1500 were mailed to service men and women, 750 of them out of the U.S.A. The remainder found their way into the homes of parents and friends and other interested persons.

Individual contributions on the "send a copy to a soldier too" basis so far have supported the project and there have been no solicitations. That does not mean that large donations are not acceptable. The Fountain Hill Legion has twice given \$25; the Junior Woman's Club, \$10; the Nativity Service League, \$10. They have helped mightily, and such contributions are doubly welcome because they enable us to reach more service men.

As a suggestion, spread the story of "Stars." It will grow if you help. It is expensive to print and mail. An extra dollar now and then means that some soldier gets a copy who otherwise might not. Stephen Kousz, in his letter, says "My copy of 'Stars' is passed on to two other Bethlehemites stationed here, Cpl. Emil Kreshka, of Edwards Street, and Pfc. William Messics, of Evans Street, as their churches are not participating in this wonderful movement."

Those boys and others like them should be getting "Stars." Help the cause along.

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sent a cash contribution to his church which was greatly appreciated. *Pfc. Thomas Benner* is still in South Carolina and Pastor Grams remarks on the fine supper given at his sister's house for the junior choir, parents and friends. Other names mentioned are *Pfc. Thomas Benner, Pvt. Robt. Geisenderfer, Qm. Richard Kresge, S/Sgt. John Lintner, Pvt. LeRoy Packard, Pfc. Albert Remaley, A. S. Richard Reynolds, Pfc. Harold Thomas, Pvt. Wilbert Schafer* (whose wife, Lila Lintner and son, Wilbert Jr., are mentioned, too), *A. S. Charles Minnich, A. S. Raymond Dubbs, Pvt. Robert Strahler, MM. John Packard* and *Sgt. William Bernhardt*.



# THE ARMY IN THE AIR

Bizarta, Messina, Rome, Naples, Palermo



These are the men of the Army Air Force: 1, W. L. Stump; 2, F. R. Koplin; 3, C. Wernett; 4, B. R. Klinger; 5, V. R. Achey; 6, R. H. Diehl, Jr.; 7, W. P. Kichline; 8, A. Johnson; 9, C. Rutt; 10, E. Barthol; 11, J. B. Bratsch, Jr.; 12, D. L. Shellenberger; 13, P. Kunsman; 14, D. Hausman; 15, J. Harpel; 16, W. D. Randall; 17, E. Smith; 18, R. Frantz; 19, L. Kramer; 20, C. Williams; 21, B. L. Miller; 22, C. M. Wolf; 23, S. Wohlbach; 24, J. Lichtenwalner; 25, C. J. Kocher; 26, C. Fink; 27, J. P. Limons.

★ From motorcycles and racing cars to bicycling is quite a comedown, but *Lieut. Frank R. Koplin* is able to make up for that by getting into his 'plane and zipping out to nab a Nip. *Lieut. Koplin's* career in the Army Air Force since 1939 is just like that of thousands of other ambitious young Americans and typifies the very thing the fight is all about—the Democratic way of life which, among other things, gives a young soldier a chance to rise from the ranks and become an officer.

★ *Luther Oliver Kramer* is attending Stewart Lee Technical School at the present time. He was inducted March 26 and is looking forward to the day when he can get into the scrap and do his bit. *Pvt. Kramer* is a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Rittersville section, and a graduate of A. H. S., class of '42. He made his home with his maternal grandmother, Mrs. John Koenig, Rittersville. His paternal grandmother is Mrs. Oliver Kramer, Greenwich Street, Bethlehem.

★ *Staff Sgt. Edward D. Smith, AC.*, Hellertown R. D. 1, was recently awarded the Air Medal for "extraordinary achievement" while participating in more than 200 hours of anti-submarine patrol. According to the citation, *Sgt. Smith* successfully overcame such hazards as icing conditions, restricted visibility and low ceilings by displaying outstanding initiative, resourcefulness and skill. Family, friends, members of your church, Grace Lutheran, Stars—all extend congratulations to you, Ed.



## THE ARMY IN THE AIR---continued

★ *Murray W. Stahl*, known at Trainer's as the "Coffee King," now carries a pilot classification. His mother, Mrs. Mary Stahl, makes her home in Quakertown.

★ *Pfc. Ronald W. Frantz* is taking advanced training at one of the many air bases in the U. S. He recently completed a course in electrical engineering at the New York Trade School and no doubt his skill will mean much to his buddies some day on some hardfought battleground. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray A. Frantz, 940 Center Street. He is a "graduate" of Jefferson Barracks basic training course.

★ "Ront" is a member of Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church and was active in young people's doings, playing the baritone sax in the Sunday School orchestra. He was, lucky dog, a frequent visitor home during his stay in New York.

★ Sporting his corporal's two stripes, *William P. "Bill" Kichline, Jr.*, is somewhere or other, but just where that "where" is no one is saying. His last permanent (?) address was Drew Field, Fla. Corp. Kichline is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Kichline, 230 Hamilton Avenue, and is married to Mae Michael, Easton R.D. 3. He used to work for the Bethlehem Steel Co. Asa Lerch, who handles Stars for the St. Thomas church at Macada, had a card from Bill in which he says he received the magazine and likes it a lot. Those are words we like to hear.

★ *William Linge*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Linge, 325 East Laurel Street, has been transferred from Tennessee to Maxwell Field, Ala.

★ Let's get a different slant on this fellow, *A/S Niles E. Long*. It's not easy to make each of these items sound different after you've been pounding the typewriter for a long time. Niles' mother, Mrs. Earle R. Long, 737 High Street, tells us that her son calls her up every Sunday morning from his post at Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind. His call comes through just after he has attended church, which is compulsory at Butler University so the family talks to him at 9:45 a.m. Mrs. Long says, "he tells us he 'always feels swell after talking to us'. He can't realize how swell it makes us, his parents, feel. He is an only child, so you can readily know how much we miss him." A/S Long trained at Camp Robinson, Ark., at Sheppard Field, Texas, and is now at Butler. He belongs to the congregation of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Bethlehem.

★ *Pvt. John B. Bratsch, Jr.*, brother of William, is learning to operate the new Radar apparatus, that nemesis of the submarine, and is stationed at Tampa, Fla., for training. He received his basic training at Atlantic City after induction in April. John attended Liberty High and Bethlehem Business College and was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co. in the order entry department. He, too, is a member of Christ church.

★ Although hunting and fishing for sport are out for the duration for *Pvt. Donald Hartzell*, if he realizes his ambition to become a waist gunner in a bomber he will at least get to shoot off a gun, and at bigger game than ducks. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hartzell, 1428 Iron Street, and was inducted April 16, going to Greensboro, N. C., for his basic training. He's a former L. H. S. student and B.S.Co. employee.

★ *Pvt. Delbert Hausman* recently wrote home to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hausman, 227 East Garrison Street, from his post in the Pacific area that he had been boasting to his fellows about the old home town. He told them, among other choice bits, that the Simon Rau drugstore is the oldest in the U. S. The others proved to be from Missouri, so to speak, but Hausman had his story confirmed when a moving picture showed the interior of the famous apothecary shop with a group making Moravian beeswax candles and the narrator explained that "this is the oldest drugstore in the United States." Hausman graduated as an airplane mechanic at Keesler Field, Miss., in November, was transferred to the Ford plant at Ypsilanti, Mich., and is now with a bombing squadron in the Pacific area.

★ Away, way down in the deep, deep South is *Cpl. Donald L. Shellenberger*, attached to an ordnance outfit with the Air Force. He's at Hattiesburg, Miss. Shellenberger enlisted November 2, 1942, and trained first at Miami Beach. He was sent to ordnance school at Atlanta, Ga., and then to Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City. He is Class of '42, L. H. S.

★ *Pfc. Ernest Barthol* is undergoing specialized training at Lowry Field No. 1, Denver, Colo., with a technical squadron. He was inducted February 15, 1943, having enlisted in the Air Force while a junior at Moravian College. He received his first stripe after a month of preliminary training at St. Petersburg, Fla., and attended armorer's school at Buckley and Lowry Field No. 2, Denver, from which he graduated June 5, his 21st birthday. The same day he was trans-

ferred to his present post. Barthol is a member of Christ E. & R. Church.

★ *Corporal Paul Kunsman* enlisted in the Army Air Corps in October 1942. He graduated from Liberty High School in 1941 and worked for his father, Paul Kunsman, Sr., as an automobile mechanic before his enlistment. He went to Aero I.T.I. School in Los Angeles, Calif., for six months to learn aviation mechanics and worked seven months at the Curtiss Wright plant in Kenmore, N. Y., enlisting at Buffalo in October 1942. He received his basic training at St. Petersburg, Florida, going from there to Keesler Field, Miss., graduating as an airplane mechanic. From Keesler he was sent to Burbank, Calif., for advanced training, and then to his present address, Las Vegas, Nevada, where he has been training as an aerial gunner. He is a member of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church.

★ *Pvt. Ernest Harpel* is now at Camp Gordon Johnson, Florida. His brother *Pfc. James Harpel* took his basic training at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Mo. Ernest is in the Army Air Force studying at New York City Trade School to be an electrical engineer.

★ *Lieut. Koplín*, son of Mrs. C. L. Koplín, 528 Wyandotte Street, enlisted as a mechanic October 15, 1939. He received his basic training at Langley Field, Va., was transferred successively to Casey Jones School, Newark, N. J., Mitchell Field, L. I., Chanute Field, Ill., Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., and to Miami Beach, Fla., where he was commissioned a second lieutenant and received his wings. He was finally sent out to Hawaii and there made a first lieutenant. As a souvenir of Hawaii he recently sent his mother a box of chocolate covered pineapple and nuts, mailed from Honolulu.

★ *Pvt. Charles Marvin Wolf*, a former airplane mechanic at the Middletown Airport, is now in training with the AAF in New York City, having been in the armed forces about a year and a half. He is married to Marjorie Myers, 606 West Union Boulevard, and was one of the first members of Bethany E. & R. church to go into the service.

★ *Pvt. Robert A. MacWilliams* is taking temperatures, we suppose, at the Army Air Base hospital in Pocatello, Idaho, where he was sent from Kearns, Utah. He is with the Medical Corps of the Army Airforce, having been drafted in January and sent to New Cumberland January 2. He is the grandson of Mrs. Dora Lee, 17 West Broad Street and a member of the North Side Presbyterian Church.



## THE ARMY IN THE AIR---concluded

★ *Cpl. Richard Geiger* is with a technical school squadron at Boca Raton Field, Fla., and now sports two stripes. He was home July 4 and turned up in Central Moravian Church Sunday morning with a service stripe for good conduct over his pocket. He says Florida is fine, but not in summer!

★ Although *Pvt. Albert S. Johnson* has been in the Air Force since February, it was not until this issue that we were able to secure a picture of him. His mother says he is as tight with his letters, too. He always talked with his hands, so we suppose that is why he finds it difficult to express himself in a letter. He is presently studying at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, and being a friendly soul, he has found many compatible companions.

★ *Paul Hassler* was home recently on a furlough from Yuma, Ariz. He says that where he is there is nothing but sand and not a pretty girl in sight. He is working on flight armament and tow-target and training with aviation cadets.

★ The two *Kemmerer* brothers from College Hill Moravian, *Charles* and *Clarence*, are now in the Air Force. The former has been promoted to Staff Sergeant and is at Eustis, Florida. The latter is serving somewhere in Australia.

★ *A/c Carl F. Rice*, now stationed at Maxwell Field, has been advanced to upper classman rating with high averages in all subjects. He is in class 44B and expects to graduate in 1944.

★ *Pvt. Robert H. Lance* is in the Air Force Signal Corps and is undergoing operational training, getting acquainted with rattlesnakes and squads of mosquitoes at the same time.

★ *Pfc. Robert Diehl, Jr.*, entered the Armed Services on April 2, 1943. From New Cumberland he was sent to Tent City, then Clearwater, in Florida. When he left Clearwater on May 1, he received his first stripe. He is now studying to be an airplane mechanic at Keesler Field, Miss.

★ *Cpl. Walter F. Zollinger*, Army Air Force, after a 4-week stay at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama, was transferred to Ohio State University for a 6-months' course in "Area and Foreign Language Study."

★ *Capt. Thorpe A. Mayes, Jr.*, who was sent out to Africa soon after Pearl Harbor, has been home on furlough. He reported June 17 at Asheville, N. C.

★ The *George Lichtenwalner* family, 1377 Whitaker Street, Hellertown, is

proud to have three brothers in the service of the country. *S/Sgt. James Lichtenwalner* enlisted September 20, 1941 in the Army Air Force. He is a graduate of Hellertown High School. After spending a few months in Texas, he was sent to Kentucky where he was promoted to staff sergeant. Now he is stationed at Bowling Green, Ky.

★ *Pvt. Burton Klinger* writes home that he enjoys Army Life very much. Since his induction in July of 1942 he has been stationed at the Walnut Ridge Air Base at Walnut Ridge, Arkansas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Klinger of 1013 Wood Street.

★ As this is written *Pvt. Clarence S. Williams*, known to his friends as "Cotton", is training at Atlantic City, N. J. By the time the magazine is off the press and into your hands, it's hard to tell where he will be. Cotton used to manage the ball team of the Auto shop of the Bethlehem Steel Company and no doubt he retains his interest in this greatest of American sports. He's married to Virginia Anglei.

★ So much has happened since this "somewhere in Africa" business started that it is rather a doubtful location to give for any member of the armed forces. Nevertheless, that's the last place *Pvt. William D. Randall* was heard from as Stars was compiled for August. He is serving with the radio movements control department and was one month in Egypt. *Pvt. Bill* is a graduate of Moravian Prep and Moravian College, '42, and played lots of tennis. He'll be chiefly remembered as the clerk behind the drug and cigar counter at Kelchner and Rader's Drug Store, Fourth and Broadway.

★ *Randall* enlisted in the Army shortly after his graduation and went to Camp Lee, to Keesler Field, Mass., for his basic and to Madison, Wis., for radio school training. From there he went to Kearns Field, Utah, for overseas training and was shipped in December from a Virginia port.

★ *Pfc. Bruce L. Miller* is on duty at the Kern County, California, Municipal Airport in Bakersfield. He is a graduate of the AAF technical training school in Denver, Colo., where he received his certificate May 20. *Miller*, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clair A. Miller, 524 Broadway, and a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, was drafted July 16, 1942 and is a specialist in armament.

★ *Corp. Gerald H. Bachman* has recently been advanced to Staff Sergeant and chief clerk at Salt Lake City Army Air Base.

★ *Lieut. William L. Stump* is in Rapid City, S. D., as a member of an air base squadron. Not much news of his activities is available. We do know that he used to sing in the Luther League octet at Holy Trinity here, so perhaps he is putting his vocal chords to good use among the South Dakotans. He is the son of W. E. Stump, 608 Fourth Avenue.

★ A fellow who is afraid of nothing, it seems, is *A. C. John Pershing Limons*, for John has written home that he is enjoying life at Massachusetts State College, Amherst, because it is only eight miles from Northampton, Mass., where there is a training center for WAVES.

"That's one source of dates," he says. "I had one with a girl from Utah, a Mormon. (Shades of Brigham Young!) The reason I say 'had' is because she gets a commission . . . and is being shipped."

Cadet *Limons* is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Limons, Bethlehem, and a former student at Moravian College.

★ Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force, December 23, 1942, *Hugh W. Curtis*, is in training in Arizona at the present time. Son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Curtis, 921 Delaware Avenue, he enlisted January 26, 1942, at Harrisburg. He was sent to Langley Field, Va., and in September entered Officer Candidate school at Ft. Benning, Ga. He served at camps in South Carolina and Louisiana until this past April, when he was transferred to Arizona.

★ A book on "How to Fly, in Three Easy Lessons" would make someone's fortune, with all the nephews of Uncle Sam now undergoing months of training toward the same end. Here's another from the old town on the Lehigh who's getting ready to blast the Axis, *Air Cadet Clarence James Kocher*, now at Penn State College as a member of the A. S. T. P. program. He's the son of the Stanley Kochers, Center Street. His sister, *Dorothy*, is an Army nurse. Like her, he is a member of Christ E. & R. Church.

★ Studying at Norman, Okla., *Jack Pursell* expects to receive a rating as an aviation machinist's mate when he graduates. He is a member of Bethany E. & R. church and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Pursell, former residents of Ninth Avenue who are living in Allentown.

★ *S. Sgt. Henry O. Albright* is sort of an orphan. He penned a brief note on the tag end of his clipping from the first issue and says that "I am the only Bethlehem boy in this outfit and it is good to know where the other fellows are." He is somewhere overseas with the Airforce.



# THE ARMY ON FOREIGN SOIL

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★ From ushering in a moving picture where the silver screen has often portrayed military activities to the real thing somewhere "out of the country," that's the career of *Corp. Emory Wachter* in a nutshell. Time was when he was showing patrons of the Boyd theatre to their seats. Now he's in the Army. He is married to Miss Anna Stahl, sister of Murray W. Stahl and a teacher in Jefferson school. Wachter trained for eight months at Ft. Sill, Okla., in the Air Crafts Warning section. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Wachter, East Ettwein Street.

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★ *Corp. Earl J. Hartzell* should return home someday with all the earmarks of a chamois, for a description of his activities in North Africa has him "chasing Germans from mountain to mountain"—and it takes an agile goat to cover terrain in that style. Probably he is making time with some Sicilian lovely now. Hartzell left the U. S. in September of 1942 and went

ceive it. The book is enjoyed by him and his friends. Pvt. Josar, a resident of Middletown, has been stationed with the coast artillery somewhere in New Guinea for the past sixteen months.

★ *S/Sgt. Frank Shoffstall*, Bethlehem, is on active duty in the South Pacific area with the United Nations' forces. He is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church.



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★ One of two brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Bratsch, 507 East North Street, *Pvt. William F. Bratsch* is in the anti-aircraft in the North African theatre of war. He and his wife, the former Goldie L. McClellan, are members of the class of '40 at Liberty High, members of Christ E. & R. Church and the happy parents of a little daughter, Cynthia. Mrs. Bratsch and the little one are living with daddy's parents.

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★ *Pfc. Elwood Krier*, formerly a car inspector on the Reading railroad, is now doing military police duty "down under" in Australia. He was inducted in 1941 and trained in Texas. He's a member of St. Paul's E. & R. Church.

★ Believe it or not, you can take a sun bath in Alaska. Just ask *Pvt. Paul Neiser*, of whom we have a picture doing just that. He is with a medical corps detachment. Neiser is the son of Charles Neiser, 438 East Laurel Street.

★ *Pvt. Ralph S. Krier*, somewhere in Africa, now works in Officers' Headquarters. He writes that it must be nice in the States at this time of year—he'd like to be here too.

★ *Pfc. Harold W. Reiss*, stationed with the U. S. Army Engineers along the Alcan Highway, completed 13 months of Army training in July. Before his induction he was employed by the Roller Smith Company, maker of electrical products. He is a member of the St. Thomas Reformed Church, is very active in the Lutheran and Reformed Brotherhood, and is affiliated with the Confident Lodge, No. 1133, I. O. O. F.

★ "Somewhere in England" describes the present whereabouts of *S/Sgt. Louis Toth*, who has been overseas for the best part of twelve months. In the Army since January 18, 1941, he spent one and one-half years at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, before shipping

★ *Sgt. A. A. Andrews* (our apologies are in order for the error made in the last issue when we misstated your rank) says that the heat is terrific over there in Africa. He is stationed quite near a deserted summer resort. The men swim in the Mediterranean; the water is very warm and there is no tide. He wrote of receiving "Stars in the Service" and thought it was quite a magazine.

★ *Pvt. Camillo DeFulvio*, to his friends better known as "Bert," was inducted into the U. S. Army on June 13, 1942, sent to New Cumberland and later to Fort George G. Meade where he received his basic training. He was stationed at Ft. Meade for

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life very much, and never a word of complaint.

Carmen DeFulvio fought overseas in World War I, so now Pvt. Camillo says, "I'm more than glad to do my bit in this War." On May 18th he celebrated his 22nd birthday, his first, incidently, away from home. Prior to his induction Pvt. DeFulvio was employed in the No. 6 Machine Shop of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

live so far away, Maynard managed to get to Freemansburg to see his friends when he recently was home on a leave.

★ Samuel Overbeck, S2/c, who was inducted into the Navy on Good Friday, spent a week's furlough with his mother, Mrs. Esther Overbeck, after completing his "boot" training. At this writing, he is stationed at Philadelphia Navy Yard.

★ Here are three Bethlehem boys who are all overseas: Pfc. Zantesah Brandon; Pvt. Glenn Spencer, and Pvt. Percy C. Parker. We aren't told where Brandon is located. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Spencer, Evans Street, is in North Africa as is Parker, who is the son of Mrs. Ollie Parker, Mechanic Street.

★ Serving overseas with the anti-aircraft artillery, 2nd Lt. Charles Nafe



C. Haas

R. Klotz

C. DeFulvio

H. A. Knechel

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★ Charles Diefenderfer, AS, received his second copy of "Stars" and wrote to his pastor, "Believe me when I tell you it is really a good book to send to the boys in the service. I let a few of my buddies read it and they all had something good to say about it." Charlie is learning to cook and bake during his training period at Sampson, N. Y. A ton of meat is used at each meal, he says. Now we know why the butcher says, "I'm sorry, we're all out," when we ask for a sirloin steak or a fine roast.

★ Donald Henn, who received his "boot" training at Sampson, New York, was recently home on a furlough and visited his parents and friends, looking very fit. "Henry," as he is known, is now stationed at Portsmouth, Va. He is training at a Medical School. Don is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Henn, Sr., of 1113 Newton Avenue. He graduated from Technical High School, class of 1942, and was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co. prior to his induction.

is making good use of everything he has learned during his short Army career. A Bethlehem Steel man, he entered the service November 19, 1941 and trained at Ft. Eustis, Va. He attended Officer Training School at Camp Davis, N. C., and was commissioned in July of 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nafe, 204 Market Street, and is a graduate of Liberty High and of Moravian College. He left the planning and production department at "Steel" to become a soldier.



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