

Dornin, William H.

Lincoln Field Publication

Carries Story of Pvt. Dornin

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"Bomb-Bay Messenger", the publication of the Lincoln Army Air Field at Lincoln, Neb., carried a story in a recent issue of a local young man, now stationed with the Army at that field. Pvt. William H. Dornin, of Hellertown R. D. 1, is pictured with the field photographer and the accompanying story tells of his two years with Admiral Richard E. Byrd on his second expedition to Little America. On that expedition, Pvt. Dornin, only 20 at the time, did photographic work.

He finds sweltering in the 100-degree heat of Lincoln Field a new experience and entirely different from that in Anarctica, the article states. It also tells of his arrival at the Ghost Town of Little America, finding and digging out of snow drifts the camp of the first expedition of Admiral Byrd and his astonishment at discovering that food left there by the first expedition was perfectly preserved and edible after more than four years.

Pvt. Dornin, in the story, also tells of the amazement of the group on suddenly hearing the telephone ring, shortly after the old mess hall was entered. One of the engineers had tested the storage batteries and found they still were in working condition.

"You won't believe this", Pvt. Dornin stated in summing up his adventure on that expedition, "but Antarctica is one of the most beautiful places in the world."

Pvt. Dornin is married to the former Marion Love of 1903 River-view Road, who received a copy of the Bomb-Bay Messenger from her husband.

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