

Up The Street —And Back

When Lt. Leland Pomainville was on the last air lap of his trip home from active duty, he said the weather got plenty cold. A Red Cross worker came around and asked if anyone would like a sweater and, when Lee took one, he got quite a kick out of noticing that on a small tag it revealed that the garment had been knitted by a volunteer Red Cross worker in Burlington, Wisconsin.

The "Lowell Larks," a glee club of 15 girls, upon disbanding, found that they had two dollars left in the treasury. After a business meeting it was decided to turn this money into the organization where it would do the most good—so they brought it down to the Red Cross. Officers of this club were Margaret Shipman, president; Ruth Minor, vice president; Carol Smith, secretary; Bernice Keimer, treasurer.

Several soldiers home on leave have stopped in at the Red Cross office to make their voluntary contribution to the Red Cross.

A mystery surrounding this Red Cross campaign deals with the window display in the Red Cross headquarters. Barring the way to the window where the thermometer is set up are long tubes of crumpled paper strung closely together from the floor to the ceiling. The general populace is wondering who the "thin man" is who swivels his way through this barricade to change the thermometer each day.

Two families have come to the Red Cross headquarters to see if the workers could help them locate their wounded servicemen. They were referred to Byron B. Conway, home service chairman, whose work is another branch conducted on Red Cross funds.

Bill Nash, Jr. who has been ill in Italy, wrote home to say that on his wedding anniversary in January, the Red Cross girls put on a celebration for him. He was presented with a large anniversary cake as well as a gift. He adds in his letters that birthdays and other celebrations are always remembered by these overseas Red Cross workers.

Lt. Donald A. Wipperman, a prisoner of war in Germany wrote a letter to his parents and, although limited in the length of his letter, he included the following message: "The Red Cross is doing wonderful work for us and if when you see money come home, give them some for me." Acting upon the lieutenant's request, which by the way was written before the present campaign was begun, his mother brought in a contribution to Red Cross headquarters to purchase a membership in Lieutenant Wipperman's name.

With the Red Cross drive barely started an elderly gentleman stopped in at the office to donate a dollar, and it was gratefully received by the Red Cross for they realized how much that amount meant to him. Wednesday the same gentleman came in and, when asked if he had not contributed before, he replied that he had. He then explained that he had had more money was needed from each and every person and he was therefore coming to contribute again. The gentleman stated that he did not have any more cash to spare but would like to donate a war stamp, he handed a war bond book containing a five-dollar stamp across the counter.

Before closing this column, here are a few lines from another serviceman, Pfc. Donald J. Haback, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Haback, who is now overseas.

"I just wish to squeeze in a word about the Red Cross. I could never say enough, or even try to explain what they are doing for us over here. For instance, on this year we stay in the Red Cross building for three days at a cost of \$1.20. Cooper and I have a big double room, a tiled wash room with hot and cold running water, a soft, deep rug covering the whole floor, twin beds, complete with lamps and everything—just as you have it at home. All meals are a standard price, 20 cents, and take it from me, they are O. K. Everyone here is at your beck and call. All you have to do is crook a finger and you have all the attention you ever wanted. Coming off the front lines, into a place like this, is just like stepping from one world into another. It is something you dream about, and while it is happening you can't believe it. And once it is over, you can rest assured, you will never forget the experience. Any time you have the chance, give to the Red Cross. And if every G. I. can get a much benefit and enjoyment from them as I have, you will be repaid many, many times, I know."

Henry J. Becker, sheriff of Wood County, was equally enthusiastic in his evaluation of the new tower. Said Mr. Becker, "I look upon this as a fine improvement and it will aid law enforcement in the county. The area we can cover speedily now has been increased considerably."

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Regional Milk Products Meeting at Marshfield

A schedule for a series of regional meetings, which will take the place of the regular state advisory board meeting, was announced at the central office of Pure Milk Products in Fond du Lac today.

Representatives of the Abbotstford, Junction City, Marshfield, Merrill, Stratford, Vesper, and Neillsville locals will meet at the city hall in Marshfield on Friday. Other meetings will be held in Oconomowoc, Appleton, and Hillsboro. Each gathering is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock in the morning.

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YOUTHFUL TAXIDERMIST—Floyd Hosenstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hosenstein of Vesper, has chosen the art of taxidermy as his life work. Only 15 years of age and in his first year of high school, he is a registered taxidermist, holding a license given him by the Wisconsin conservation department. While an eighth grade pupil, living with his parents in Nekoosa, Floyd began a correspondence course in taxidermy given by the Northwestern School of Taxidermy of Omaha. He completed the nine months' course in Vesper where the family moved and where Mr. Hosenstein took up new duties as manager of the Kellogg Bros. Lumber company's yard. In his time out of school, Floyd follows his work of taxidermy, having preserved a number of game specimens commercially. His specialty is mounting whole bird and game animal heads, and in the future he plans to mount larger articles, full life size.

Mary Hubbard Promoted in New Guinea



LIEUTENANT HUBBARD

The promotion to first lieutenant of Mary C. Hubbard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hubbard, 240 Third avenue north, has been announced by Women's Army Corps headquarters in the Southwest Pacific.

Lieutenant Hubbard is stationed at a base censor's office in New Guinea, where she has been engaged in photo censorship work since June.

She received her overseas orders last April, and became a member of the first WAGC contingent training at Fort Oglethorpe for service in the Southwest Pacific. A month later she was on her way to Sydney, Australia, in a censorship unit, and after serving for five weeks as a censor officer in Brisbane, headed north into the tropics. She arrived in New Guinea by plane on June 19.

Tribune Letter Box

Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.

Tribune readers and friends are invited and urged to write their opinions on questions of timely interest for publication in the Letter Box column. All letters published must contain the author's name. Letters should be of moderate length, should be legibly written and should not contain anything of a defamatory or libelous nature.

LIKES TRIBUNE DIGEST

Dear Editor:

I received a copy of the Serviceman's Digest of our local paper, sent me by my brother, Carl W. Lundberg of the town of Sigel, and I wish to thank all of you for your consideration as news from home is very welcome I assure you. Being stationed in the heart of the dust bowl for the past two years, and seeing lots of dust and wind I really appreciate something like that.

We have had rather a mild winter here, not much snow or cold weather to speak of although lately it has been quite cold and we had one snowstorm two weeks ago which tied up traffic for a few hours. But not near as bad as it was a year ago when we wore our gas masks when facing the wind and snow.

This base, where I am now stationed, is what could be called a crew training base. In other words the crews work together here and when they leave it is generally to some theatre of operations.

Well folks thanks again for the paper and I know all service men greatly appreciate a copy of their local paper.

Pfc. Herman A. Lundberg
2525th A.A.F. Base Unit
Section C
L. A. A. F.
Liberat, Kansas.

PRISONER OF WAR

Stevens Point—Sgt. James P. Jacobs, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl N. Jacobs, is a prisoner of war of the German government. He had been missing in action in Germany since December 21.

Purely Personal

Cpl. Clayton G. Bushman is expected to arrive this evening from Camp Howze, Texas, en route to Fort Meade, Md., to spend 10 days with his wife, Ramona and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bushman.

Pvt. Miles Barker, who is stationed at the University of Maine at Orono, is on furlough this week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Barker.

First Lt. Richard J. Smith, who has seen 13 months action in the Southwest Pacific as a navigator on a B-24 bomber, arrived Wednesday evening and is spending a 21-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Smith, 521 Birch street.

Dorothy Spring, S. K. 2-c in the WAVES, has a 10-day furlough from her station at Cleveland, Ohio, which she is spending with her mother, Mrs. Winnie Spring. She will be home until Monday.

Cpl. Wayne Duckert, who is taking radar training at Boca Raton, Fla., is here on a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Duckert. He will be home until next Thursday.

Pvt. Wallace Fritzsche, who came home from Fort McClellan, Ala., on a seven-day furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Fritzsche on Route 2, left Wednesday night to report at Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Donald O. Crutteau, gunners' mate first class, is leaving Saturday to visit a sister in Milwaukee before reporting at Washington, D. C., where he will attend an advanced gunners' mate school. Donald, who spent an 18-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Crutteau on Route 2, and visiting other relatives, recently returned after 15 months in the European theater of war.

William Johns, seaman second class, who is stationed at the amphibious training base at Norfolk, Va., came Sunday evening to spend a 13-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johns.

Pvt. Guy Clark of Camp Atterbury, Ind., is spending a 15-day furlough with his wife and five children.

John T. Siewert, quartermaster second class, left Monday afternoon to report at an east coast port after a four-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Siewert.

Pvt. Donald Kessler came home Friday from Dibble hospital at Mineral Park, Calif., on a medical discharge and is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kessler. Private Kessler, who has had 15 months overseas service, wears the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Presidential Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster and the campaign ribbon with three combat stars.

Mrs. H. D. Wake, Jr., and children Margot and Herbert III left Saturday for Pittsburgh, Pa., to join Lt. (jg) H. D. Wake, who is stationed there at the present time.

Lt. Geraldine Pelletier Wilke has returned after 18 months of overseas service with the army nurse corps in Italy, and is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pelletier, coming here from Charleston, S. C.

Herb Graefe, petty officer second class, who has a seven-day delay en route from Great Lakes, Ill., to the west coast, accompanied by Mrs. Graefe and daughter, Roberta Lee returned to Sheboygan today after visiting friends in the city since Wednesday.

Mrs. Harold Witt returned home Thursday after a six weeks stay in Fayetteville, N. C., with her husband, Cpl. Harold Witt, who is stationed at Fort Bragg.

Pfc. Chelsea Saylor, with the United States air corps at Fort Wayne, Ind., and Miss Florence Meyer of Decatur, Ind., were here to spend the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Saylor, Sr.

Large Cast of Students Play In 'Our Town'

Student actors of the all school production "Our Town," to be given Tuesday night in the fieldhouse, are swinging in the last sessions of rehearsal to iron out a few technical details before the public presentation.

In order that Tuesday night might be devoted entirely to an adult audience, Angus McDougall, director, has announced that the cast will give a performance Monday night for students although adults who are unable to attend on Tuesday may come then if they desire. Tickets for the Tuesday performance are now on sale at both Church's Rexall store and the Daly Drug and Jewelry company, and seats may be reserved at no increase in price.

James Le Roux, assigned to the part of "stage manager," acts as go-between for the audience and actors. Emily Webb and George Gibbs, carrying the romantic thread of the theme will be played by Jacqueline Hein, Dorothy Wilcox and Robert Teutel. As the play will be given on Monday for students and Tuesday for an adult audience, the two girls will each give a performance as "Emily Webb."

Dr. and Mrs. Gibbs will be portrayed by Duane Smith and Phyllis Koss, Editor and Mrs. Webb enacted by Richard Bain and Rita King. Others in the cast are Robert Hehke as Joe Crowell; Edward Feith as Howie Newsome; Patricia Breed, Rebecca Gibbs; Donald Soe, Wally Webb; Robert Kingdon, Professor Willard; Mae Rued, woman in the audience; Dan Teas, man in the audience; Gloria McGraw, artistic lady; Simon Stimson, is played by Richard Renne; Mrs. Soames, Mary Warsinske; Constable Warren, James Kruser; Sam Crand, Donald Love; Joe Stoddard; Leroy Abler; first dead woman, Mae Rued; second dead woman, Ardelle Ehlert; second dead man, Dwayne Johnson; the organist, Myrtle Timm; baseball players, Dan Teas, Robert Miller, Donald Sprise; assistant stage managers, Dan Teas, Jack Molsberry, Dwayne Johnson.

The choir and "people of the town" make up the remainder of the large and talented cast. Entire action of the play takes place in Grover's Corners, N.H., from the years 1901 to 1913.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

S-Sgt. Burton A. Mills, Endeavor, and Sgt. Melvin W. Crown, Montello, were listed today by the war department as having been wounded in action in Europe.

ANTON NEUMAN SUCCEUMBS AT 87

Anton Neuman, Sr., 87, of Port Edwards, died at his residence at 6:45 this morning after a lingering illness.

Mr. Neuman was born January 1, 1859, in Germany and came to Wisconsin at the age of 15. He married Stella Hantz in Portage county June 8, 1891.

Besides his wife, he leaves ten children and six grandchildren. The children are Mrs. Katherine Rickey, LaCrosse; Anton Neuman, Jr., Wisconsin Rapids; Nick Neuman and Mrs. Eleanor Serres, LaCrosse; Michael and Stanley Neuman, Milwaukee; Sgt. Leo Neuman with the U. S. army in Belgium; Mrs. Cecelia Johnson and Donald Neuman, Port Edwards, and Mrs. Fern Shaw, Rockford, Ill.

MARY FRIEDLEIN

Mrs. Mary Friedlein, 70, died unexpectedly this morning at the home of her grandson, John Harvey Bull, 520 Fifteenth avenue north.

She was born at Osterdock, Ia., February 25, 1876, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moser. She was married to William Friedlein in 1892 at Gutterberg, Ia. They lived there until 1918, when they moved to Junction City; then in September, 1942, they moved to Wisconsin Rapids.

LYDA LUNDGREN

Miss Lyda Lundgren, 43, died at 5 o'clock this morning after a four day illness at Riverview hospital where she was employed. She lived at 1531 Fourth street south.

Miss Lundgren was born in the town of Rudolph December 4, 1901, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lundgren, and had lived in the community all her life. Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Frank Jaffrey of Port Edwards and Mrs. Albert Anderson of Wisconsin Rapids.

FRANK SWEET

Frank Sweet, 57, a former resident here, died unexpectedly at his home in Racine Wednesday afternoon. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons, two of whom are in the service; his mother, Mrs. Mary Sweet and three brothers, William, Roy and Robert Sweet, all of Wisconsin Rapids.

The three brothers plan to attend funeral services at Racine on Monday afternoon.

CYRIL A. LABARGE

Cyril A. LaBarge, 87, died at his home in the town of Grand Rapids at 7 o'clock this morning following a long illness. He had been a resident of Central Wisconsin the past 36 years.

A native of Canada, Mr. LaBarge was born March 26, 1857, and married Caroline Paxon at Stevenson, Mich., 59 years ago. She died October 26, 1944.

HORACE E. REED

Horace E. Reed, 84, a lifelong resident of Central Wisconsin, died at the Home for the Aged Sunday following a week's illness.

Mr. Reed was born in Pittsville, February 14, 1861, and married Mary Bushey August 3, 1892 at Pittsville. Mrs. Reed died in 1904. Surviving is a half brother, Henry Reed of Nekoosa.

Kiwanians Honor Basketball Team

Members of the Lincoln High school basketball squad and Caneches Carl Klantnrad and J. A. Torresani were guests of the Wisconsin Rapids Kiwanis club at that organization's noon luncheon today.

Coach Klantnrad introduced the squad members and spoke briefly on the team's record this year. A. A. Ritchey, Lincoln High principal, and Dan Unferth, Tribune sports editor, were also speakers.

Hugh Karmann, Wausau, lieutenant governor of the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis district, was also a club guest, and presented Henry Duckert with a certificate from Kiwanis Internationale in recognition of Mr. Duckert's leadership of the local club during 1944.

Re-Location of Equipment Steps Up Police Efficiency in County

Wood county can look forward to even more efficient police protection and safety measures in the future.

The erection of a new 100-foot triangular police radio tower and installation of transmitting equipment in Powers Bluff park near Arpin seems certain to increase the efficiency of the Wood county police radio system, in the opinion of county law enforcement officers.

Wood county police radio station WJZH was erected originally in November, 1942, at the Wood county court house in Wisconsin Rapids, with remote control units situated in the sheriff's office and also in the office of the city police.

Although the system functioned very well in south Wood county, the radio noise level soon rose to such a peak due to the increased tempo of wartime industries that the county's squad cars couldn't be heard from Marshfield and the northern part of Wood county.

Seek New Location

Therefore, an effort was begun to locate the station at a new place, where noise interference would be lessened. Finally, in September, 1944, the sheriff traffic committee of Wood county and the county board of supervisors authorized Communications Engineer Victor Nickel to conduct new location tests.

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Charles Fitzgerald Slightly Wounded

Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzgerald, 620 Thirteenth avenue, received word this morning that their son, Sgt. Charles Fitzgerald, 26, had been slightly wounded in action at Iwo Jima.

Sergeant Fitzgerald, a member of the Fifth marine division, received his injury the third day after the initial landing on the tiny Pacific island.

In a letter to his parents, he stated that a bullet bounced off his head and that it didn't hurt him much but "it sure ruined a good tin hat." He entered service in December, 1941 and went overseas in the spring of 1942.

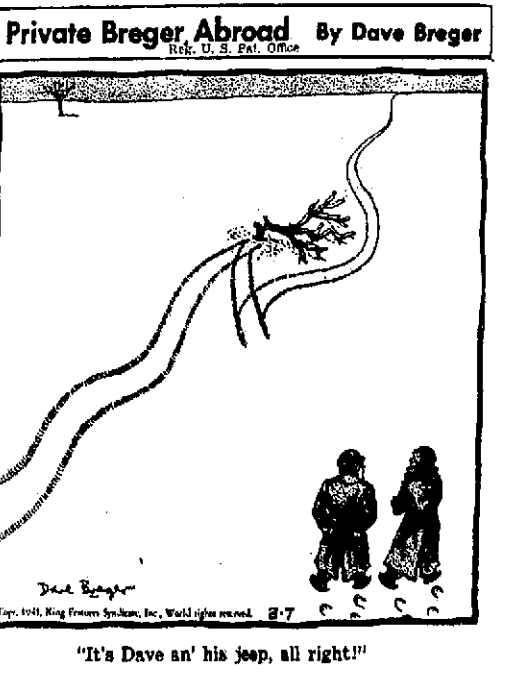
Cpl. Edmund Appel Slightly Wounded

Cpl. Edmund Appel, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Appel, 1111 Ninth street south, recently was slightly wounded in action on the allied front in Luxembourg, according to a war department telegram received by the parents Monday.

Corporal Appel entered service four years ago.



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"It's Dave an' his jeep, all right!"