

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

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NEW YORK—Something like Horatius at the bridge, or the little Dutch boy with his finger in the dyke, is the American Col. C. L. Chennault and his American pilot. Chennault and his Air Circus Pilot has wings spread lots, guarding Burma Road and dropping the Japanese as fast as they come.

Their score is more than 60 Japanese planes downed, including 24 bombers, with a possible score of around 100, taking into account the enemy planes hit but not downed on the spot. They're doing all this with antiquated planes, and so far they've lost only 10 of them.

Six years ago, Colonel Chennault headed the army team of precision acrobats which spread heart-failure among the crowds attending the Seventh Annual Army Air races at Miami. He and his mates, Lieut. J. H. Williams and Lieut. William McDonald, put on probably the dirtiest air show ever seen and at the same time a demonstration of the amazing maneuverability of airplanes under highly expert control.

The colonel, a lean, dark, quiet, wiry man, was 45 years old when the above air show came off. He retired from the army and holed up in a neat little house at Waterproof, La. He had his books and his dog and he was going to enjoy life with his friends. However, he kept up his studies of air tactics and strategy, having written two authoritative text books on these subjects.

In 1937, he was approached by a representative of the Chinese government who proposed that he become air adviser to the Chinese government. This led to his four years' service in China in which he organized and commanded the present A.V.G., or American Volunteer group, which is now outfitting the Japanese along the Burma road.

When he was here in January, 1940, he said that the Chinese planes were liquid-cooled and at a great disadvantage against any up-to-date machine. A quiet, reserved officer, with no dash of the swashbuckler in his make-up, he says that he and his boys can hold the road if they can just get a few more fairly fashionable planes.

THE United States marine corps did not need the saga of Guam and Wake island as a reminder that it is an old established arm. The corps is two Gen. Holcomb Deep years older in tradition of than the U.S. Marine Corps present States government, and on November 10 of this year will celebrate its 167th anniversary.

Its anchor, globe and eagle emblem and its "Semper Paratus" have been pretty nearly everywhere, and, historically speaking, it will be old stuff to the marines, wherever they land.

Just now it has its highest ranking commandant in history, with the President's elevation of Commandant Thomas Holcomb from the rank of major general to lieutenant general. General Holcomb, 43 years with the corps, is a quiet-spoken, heavy-set, business-like officer who, like his "Leathernecks" has been around a lot and has a way of making himself at home under inhospitable conditions.

His World war honors, won in France, include a citation by General Pershing, the Navy Cross, the Silver Star, the Purple Heart and the Legion of Honor ribbon.

He entered the marine corps as a civilian. His rough-and-ready military education later was supplemented by a course in the command and general staff school in 1925. He saw service in China and the Philippines, back in the dawn days of "manifest destiny," and in the World war he commanded the Second battalion of the Sixth Marines in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. He was assigned to Cuba in the post-war years and, by 1935, had attained the rank of brigadier general. In 1936 he was made a major general and commandant of the marine corps.

The Continental congress set up the marines, the oldest branch of the American armed forces. Away back in 1802 they took Derna, in Libya, recently taken by the British. They were fighting pirates in the Dutch East Indies in 1835; in Tripoli in 1840 and Formosa in 1867. Their range has been north and south from the Arctic to the far South Seas, and east and west around the globe. Without disparagement to other forces they have come to symbolize tough fighting prowess and capacity for fast catch-as-catch-can milling anywhere.

YOUR INCOME TAX

In the event of failure to make and file an income tax return as required by law within the prescribed time, a certain percent of the amount of the tax is required to be added to the tax unless failure to file the return within the prescribed time is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioner to be due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

The amount to be added to the tax is 5 percent if the failure is for more than thirty days, with an additional 5 percent for each additional thirty days or fraction thereof during which failure to file a return continues, not to exceed 25 percent in the aggregate.

A taxpayer who files a return and wishes to avoid the addition to the tax for delinquency must make an affirmative showing of all facts, alleged as a reasonable cause for failure to file the return on time, in the form of an affidavit which should be attached to the return. Alleged ignorance of the law does not constitute reasonable cause for delinquency.

Taxpayers should make every effort to file their returns within the time prescribed by law and thus avoid the possibility of the additions to the tax for delinquency in filing returns.

Do not forget that single persons or married persons not living with husband or wife, who earns as much as \$14.43 a week for the 52 weeks of the year, and married persons living together who have aggregate earnings of as much as \$28.85 a week for the year, are required to file returns.

New Federal 'Use Tax' Regulations

New and additional regulations, governing the Federal motor vehicle "use tax" stamp, have just been issued, according to information received by the Illinois Automobile Club from the Chicago office of the United States Bureau of Internal Revenue. This stamp, the latest regulations say, should be displayed in the lower right hand corner of the windshield of a passenger car and the upper right hand corner of the windshield of a truck. This differs from the original plan of placing stamp on the instrument panel, windshield, or some other place believed to be conspicuous.

When a stamp is lost, stolen or destroyed, the purchaser should file an affidavit with the Collector of Internal Revenue who, on verifying the purchase of that particular stamp, will issue a certificate to the purchaser to be carried by him. No duplicate stamps will be issued. To have the necessary information with which to fill in the affidavit, all motor vehicle owners should keep a record of where the stamp was purchased, motor number of vehicle for which purchased and date of purchase. Affidavits may be obtained from the Illinois Automobile Club, by writing to Collector of Internal Revenue in the district in which the motor vehicle owner lives, or by going to that office in person.

Motor vehicle use tax stamps are not transferable and must remain on the windshield of the vehicle. When a vehicle displaying a stamp changes ownership, the new owner will not be required to purchase another stamp.

Motorcycles and motor boats also come under this law, the amount of tax on the latter being determined by the size of the boat.

BIRTHS

Highland Park Hospital
January 30: Mrs. Melvin C. Mullins, 204 Second street, boy.
February 2: Mrs. Julio Carani, 653 W. Park, boy; Mrs. Fred Schweiger, 534 Gray, boy.
February 3: Mrs. William Summers, Mundelein, boy.
February 4: Mrs. Oliver Zanarini, Highland, boy.
February 6: Mrs. Henry Nielsen, Deerfield, boy.
February 7: Mrs. Walter Lips, Jr., 1913 Deerfield road, boy; Mrs. Gustav A. Miller, Deerfield, a girl.
February 9: Mrs. George M. Olsen, Berwyn, boy; Mrs. Lionel Seguin, Northbrook, boy; Mrs. Frank McCleary, Highland, boy.
February 10: Mrs. Arthur Bernardi, Highland, girl.



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LAKE MICHIGAN NAVIGATION STUDIED BY COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

The Tuesday night meeting of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Second Flotilla, First Division, held at the Sheridan Shore Yacht Club, was devoted to navigation on Lake Michigan. James Crabb and Mason Warner, both of whom have done considerable cruising on Lake Michigan, handled the subject. Miniature buoys and lights were used and spotted on one of the large Lake Michigan charts prepared by the War Department. A very thorough discussion on this subject was made.

Preceding the discussion on navigation, the group worked for more than an hour on semaphore, which was handled by Bruce Karnes, Ensign U. S. Coast Guard, who is the Port Captain of Milwaukee and is a member of the Second Flotilla. Ensign Karnes demonstrated the speed and accuracy in signalling, which is insisted upon by the Coast Guard and the United States Navy.

Chief Boatswain John Kimenunen and Chief Radio Operator Paul Schowald both of the United States Coast Guard, Wilmette Station, worked with the group in perfecting their signalling.

Captain Sam Clark, Commander of the First Division of the Coast Guard Auxiliary was elected Vice Commodore of the Chicago District at a meeting held in Chicago by all Flotillas last week.

KIWANIS

The Highland Park Kiwanis club met at Hotel Moraine Monday evening at 6:30 o'clock for their regular dinner-meeting. Walter Sadler, Lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis district was an official guest.

Marion Bard's Compositions to Be Played Wednesday

Miss Marian Bard will present her own compositions, assisted by the Music Club's chorus, a string quartette and Helen Abbott Byfield at the Music Club's evening meeting, Wednesday, February 18th, in the Community Center at 8:15.

Miss Bard is a graduate of Sarah Lawrence College and has studied at the American Conservatory of Chicago. She was a pupil of Leo Sowerly until a year ago.

Her program will consist of a string quartette in three movements, "Jamaica Moon," to be sung by the chorus, a piano quartette in one movement and three songs for soprano, to be sung by Helen Abbott Byfield.

Legion Bingo Party Feb. 21st

The Dumaresq Spencer Post of the American Legion of Highland Park, will hold a mid-winter bingo party at the Masonic Temple Building on Saturday evening Feb. 21st. A full evening of entertainment and dancing will follow the bingo playing.

The Legion will also hold its monthly business meeting on Thursday evening, February 12th.

Mr. Edward E. Burwell of the commercial department of the Highland Park high school will give a brief talk commemorating Lincoln's Birthday.

Mrs. Russell J. Anderson, 495 Sheridan Place left today for Seattle, Wash. to join her husband, who is stationed at Fort Lawton, Washington.

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