

# In The Nations Service

## Slangies Coined By Irrepressible Yanks

American sense of humor has ever been a life-saver. Abraham Lincoln, we recall, could always relax for an instant under his crushing burden of care by recounting some droll joke. A humorous slant often gives a lift to the grimmest of situations. For instance, here are some choice slangies coined by irrepressible fighting Yanks.

An "angel's whisper" is not a blissful dream, but a bugle call, in the air service; while a "barker" is not a dog, but a heavy artillery gun. A "bean gun" is not a gun at all, but a rolling field kitchen. A dishwasher is called a "bubble dancer," and a tank driver is known as a "care boy."

To "buzz a town" means to fly over it, and the silver eagle decoration worn by a Colonel is irreverently termed a

"buzzard." A Garand automatic rifle is a "Chicago atomizer," and "Clara" is not a pretty girl, but a term meaning "all clear" after an air raid.

Duty, before reveille, such as performed by cooks, buglers and mechanics, is known as "dawn patrol." "Down wind" means befuddled, or in a predicament. "Duff" is slang for edible sweets, and U. S. war balloons are known as "fat friends," while a "flower pot" is nothing more ornamental than a power turret on a fighting plane. When you follow the course of a river, you "fly wet." "Geese" are bombers in formation, and a "grunt" is an electrician's helper in the Signal Corps.

The new style deep steel helmet is known as a "head basket," while chevrons are "hooks." A "kid" is a pilot on a bomber, and a "kiwi" is a non-flying officer in the air corps.

We have made loans to the British, and from them we have borrowed the term "Archie," which means artillery shells overhead. "Badgy" means an under-age enlistee.

When motorized forces step on the gas they "let 'er eat," and the 37 mm gun used in A.T. (or anti-tank) warfare is known as "little poison."

"Mae West," "Mickey Mouse" and "Mona" are present too, in modern warfare—meaning a life-preserver, a bomb-releasing lever and an air raid siren, respectively. "Roger" means O. K., baked pork and beans are "stars and stripes" and beef is "tiger meat."

And finally, but most important, is that precious letter from the girl friend back home, known as "sugar report."

## Sons of Mansurs Wed Classmates

Many Highland Parkers will be interested in the announcement of the weddings of the two sons of the Charles Isham Mansurs of Highland Park and Tucson, Ariz.

On September 26th, Charles Bergen Mansur was married to Mary

Elizabeth Thom, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Mylrea, of Wausau, Wis., where the wedding took place.

The bride and groom were fellow-students at the University of Arizona. The groom is at present employed as industrial engineer at Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Co. in Tpscon, where the couple will make their home.

Miss Joann Huddleston and Ensign Morton Jourdon Mansur were married on Sept. 18, in Scottsville, Ariz., home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd V. Bergen. The reception was held at the Bergens' colonial home, "The Refuge," used during the Civil War for the hospitalization of soldiers. The bride and groom were also fellow-students at the University of Arizona. The couple will reside at some western base where the Ensign will be stationed.

Lieut. Ruth Pipenhagen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pipenhagen, Bradley Place, Chicago, and formerly a teacher in the Physical Education department of the Highland Park High School, is now stationed at the Shick General Hospital, Clinton, Ia. Her work, which she finds very interesting is in the Physical Therapy Department.

Lieut. Everett Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, 907 Berkeley Road, a navigator, will soon complete an intensive course in combat flying at the Alexandria Army Base at Alexandria, La. He will then be sent overseas to a combat area. He is a member of a Flying Fortress crew trained by the Second Air Force, which has the task of readying all four-engine bomber crews for overseas duty. Listed among the instructors at this Base are more than 250 officers and enlisted men who have seen action in every theater of war. These veterans direct crews through training conditions that simulate actual combat.

Having completed his seven-weeks' boot training at Great Lakes U. S. Naval Station, Apprentice Seaman Robert Early is spending a 9-days' furlough with his wife at 325 North ave. He will be assigned to Radar training school at the end of his furlough.

Due for a ten-day leave is Apprentice Seaman Wm. B. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Anderson of 436 Lincoln Place. Anderson was graduated from Highland Park high school in '42 and attended Lutheran College at Decorah, Ia., before entering service. At present he is studying to become a naval chemical engineering officer at

Newberry College, Newberry, S. C., where he has already completed one year of work.

Pvt. Richard Schneider has been assigned to basic infantry training at Camp Wolters, Texas. A recent selectee, Pvt. Schneider, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schneider, 439 Oakwood ave.

Chief Petty Officer William Marshall, aviation machinist in the Navy, whose wife and two children live at 104 So. Second St., left recently for San Diego, Calif. He entered the service in February, 1942, and expects overseas duty on an aircraft carrier. Mrs. Marshall has two sons, also in service. Cpl. Roy Wilson, stationed at Camp Claiborn, La., and recently home on furlough, and Kenneth Wilson of the navy, who is taking basic training at Camp Scott, Idaho.

Pvt. Alex Hainchek radio man in the U. S. Marine Corps, and now stationed at Camp Elliott, San Diego, Cal., expects soon to be sent overseas for advanced training. He is the son of Mrs. Joseph Borgini, 207 Jeffrey Pl. Highwood.

Mrs. Charles Goodrode, 404 Waukegan Ave., Highwood, has two sons overseas. Pvt. Ray Kampling is stationed with the Army Infantry in the Hawaiian Islands, and Cpl. Technician Norman Kampling, of the signal corps is stationed in England. He was formerly in Iceland.

Ensign Leslie Rankin, of the Navy Reserves, is home on a 15-day furlough. He has been stationed at Pensacola, Fla., where he was awarded his wings on Friday, Oct. 15. During his furlough he will be married to Miss Elaine Kauffman, of 2243 S. Sheridan road, and will return to Pensacola for a time, where he will act as instructor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rankin, Sr., of 627 Vine ave.

James Rankin, Petty Officer 2nd Class, of the Navy, the twin brother of Leslie, took part in the invasion of Sicily. He was stationed for a time in Italy, but has now returned to a base in North Africa.

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The telegram from the war department stated that a full report would be sent the Zimmer family when it was received.

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## Ballenger Reports For Army Induction

Walter F. Ballenger, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ballenger, 221 Vine avenue, was ordered on September 24 to report at Camp Custer, Mich., for induction into the army and is now receiving his basic training at Fort Benning, Ga.

He enlisted in the army on May 28, at the age of 17 and was permitted to finish his first semester of pre-medical school at Northwestern university.

## Hallowe'en Party To Be Given By Royal Masons

Highland Park Chapter of Royal Arch Masons have invited all Masons and members of the Order of the Eastern Star and their families to attend a Hallowe'en dance and party at the Masonic temple in Highland Park, Wednesday evening, Oct. 27.

The hall will be decorated with shocks of corn, pumpkins, black cats and witches. Apple cider will be served throughout the evening. Coffee and light refreshments will also be served at the conclusion.

A five-piece orchestra will furnish the music for the dancing. Those who don't dance may participate in card games.

Although dress is optional, all are invited to wear Hallowe'en costumes and masks. Prizes will be awarded for the most original costumes.

The business men and women, who are members of the order, have contributed door prizes aggregating nearly \$150.

At midnight all will join in a grand finale, or grand march, which will be reviewed by a committee of judges who will select the four best costumes, (2' womens' and 2 mens') for which prizes will be awarded.

The committee in charge consists of the regular officers of Highland Park chapter who are:

- V. Wm. Briddle, Excellent High Priest
- Edwin Palmer, King
- Wm. Stuppig, Scribe
- Bessie Aten, Chaplain
- Charles Sanborn, Secretary
- John Bloomdahl, Treasurer
- Leonard Frieble, Captain of The Host
- James Whitehouse, Principal Soloist
- Charles Steiner, Royal Arch Captain
- William Sharp, Master of The First Veil
- K. J. Robinson, Master of The Second Veil
- Clifford Wade, Master of The Third Veil
- Reuben Tidman, Sentinel
- Edward D. Cribbe, Steward
- Robert Schneider, Organist

Edwin Palmer is chairman of the entertainment committee.

## U.S.O. Volunteers' Conference Planned

A U.S.O. volunteers' conference will be held on three successive Thursdays, Oct. 28, Nov. 4 and 11; from 8 to 9:30 p. m. at the Community center.

A training institute for volunteers will be conducted by national leaders of the U.S.O. General sessions will be held at each meeting and then the volunteers will be divided into small groups according to the particular work each is doing.

## Local Persons Give Blood In Chicago

The following persons from Highland Park and Deerfield gave their blood at the Red Cross Blood Donor service, 5 N. Wabash avenue, Chicago, during the period from Sept. 27 to Oct. 2:

Lawrence R. Fry, 1250 Stratford road, Deerfield; Roland Friedlander, 2125 Ashland place; Virginia Lundin, 2130 S. Ashland place, third time donor, and Herbert Holding, 1241 S. St.

Baby Boy Born To Former Resident

Word has been received of the birth of a son to Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton of March field, Riverside, Calif., on Wednesday, Oct. 13. Mrs. Stratton is the former Catherine Croke of Highland Park. The baby has been named Donald Kenneth.

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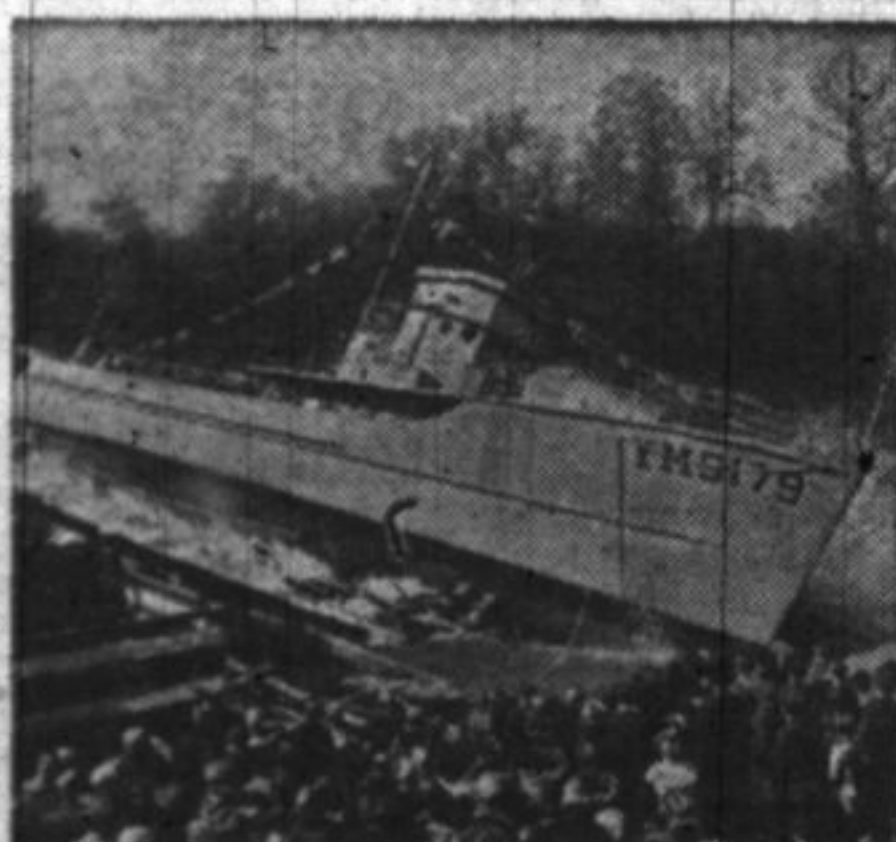
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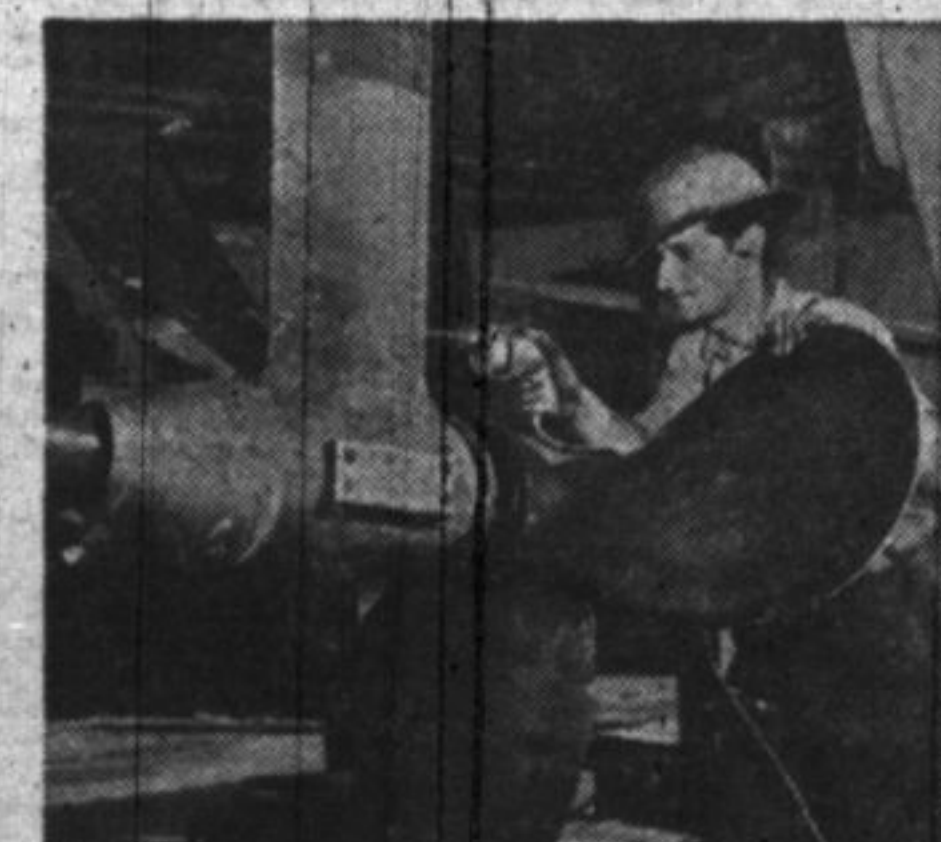
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