



I'M IN THE ARMY NOW

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A 30-Year Man!

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When a soldier is extra conscientious and when he hews to that old line too closely, we call him an eager beaver, a soldier bucking for another stripe or promotion, or a 30-year man.

Just the other day I met a REAL 30-year man—that is, this old soldier has not only been conscientious, he's actually been in the Army 30 years! Imagine that!

He's the first 30-year man I've ever met and, boy golly, he still looks in fine shape.

He's Mr. Sgt. Luther Longworth, 65, from Carleton, Ky.

Spry old guy . . .
He's a very old fellow with a keen sense of humor. We talked a bit, then he said:

"I figure I've walked and marched 11,000 miles since I enlisted. And I've eaten 7,500 meals in Army mess halls all over the world. And all this marching and all this eating hasn't done me a bit of harm. I feel right chipper," he added, smiling, shaking his gray head.

Takes physical training at 63!

He told me he was going out for physical training every day up until his 63rd year. When he reached that age, it was suggested he take it easy, which he did.

Back in 1906 he went to Panama and worked several years helping to construct the Canal. For this work Teddy Roosevelt gave him a medal.

It was made out of brass from the old machinery the French had left.

When he came back to the States, he couldn't find work, so he enlisted. He was in the Infantry for awhile, and that's where he did all the marching.

He's in the Air Forces now.

Missed overseas duty . . .

"I missed going overseas in the last war by one man," he remembered. "Our officer told us to line up, which we did. Then he said, 'You men from here down, you're going to France. You other soldiers are going to Panama.' I went to Panama.

"I recall the day the Armistice came," he went on. "I was drilling some recruits and at about 11 a.m. one morning a messenger came running up and yelled that the war was over. Our officer dismissed us and we all stood around talking and making speeches. Then we went and really celebrated."

We Take His Picture . . .

We took the old gentleman's picture holding a fishing pole. He seemed right pleased about this and was smiling all over.

"Yep, I'm going to Colorado when they retire me at the end of this month. I'm going to fish for trout in those cold streams out there. So long."

And he left.

He had served his country faithfully for 30 years in uniform.

USO Salvation Army Random Shots

Knives—T/S Ignacius Cyzewski, RRC, who made one of the first knives in our Hobby Shop to send to his brother-in-law overseas, has received word that the knife has come in handy a number of times in hand-to-hand combat with the enemy. Some of the knives, made in the Hobby Shop, have been made for the days when the fellows can again go hunting and fishing, but the majority are shaped for more immediate uses.

For the collection corner—"Old Sarge," Mr. John Meyer, gave us an old Spanish revolver and Philippine knife to hang up with the others. Thanks a million!

Reprints—We have a few copies for collectors of the latest shoulder patch charts. Our own collection has grown considerably this week. If you want to "swap" we have several duplicates.

Gem Cutters—We now have on hand a small supply of the following stones—Amethyst, Opal, Amazonites, Lake Superior, Texas and Polkadot agates, Jade, Malachite and several others. First come, first served.

Antique—A 600 year old Borgia Poison Ring which had been passed down from generation to generation in the family was fitted with a new Jade stone in the Hobby Shop recently. This week Opal's seem to have the preference.

Something New—We now have a black light outfit and a small collection of fluorescent stones for those interested in studying minerals under the ultra-violet light.

Loses Life As He Misses Moving Coach On No. Shore Train

John Chilli, 57, of 15 Prairie Ave., Highwood, lost his life Friday morning as he slipped while trying to board a moving train at the Highwood depot, falling in front of the second coach, the wheels of which passed over him.

A resident of Highwood for about 10 years, Chilli was employed as gardener by R. P. Boynton, 204 No. Sheridan Road, Highland Park. He is survived by a niece, Mrs. Ciro Gilbertini, 427 Funston Ave., Highwood, a cousin in Detroit and three brothers and two sisters living in Italy.

Sermon Series Of Seven Topics At Lutheran Church

A sermon series of seven topics on "The Miracles of Jesus" will be the subject of discussion for seven Sundays beginning June 18 at Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran church, 587 West Central avenue.

The view-point to be presented will stress that "God is helpful where men are helpless." The assumption is that Christ's miracles were recorded to emphasize this as a fact. It is hoped that the uncertainties of the war-period with its many tragedies will make the discussion timely.

- Sunday, June 18, "Christ Heals the Lame." Matt. 9:1-14.
- Sunday, June 25, "Christ and the Army Officer." Luke 7:1-10.
- Sunday, July 2, "Christ Still the Tempest." Luke 8:22-25.
- Sunday, July 9, "Christ Restores Two Blind Men." Matt. 9:27-31.
- Sunday, July 16, "Christ Helps an Outcast." Matt. 12:10-13.
- Sunday, July 23, "Christ Restores a Mentally Unbalanced Child." Luke 9:37-43.
- Sunday, July 30, "Lazarus Resurrected." John 11:1-44.

"Old Sarge" Is A Familiar Figure At The Railway USO

Quite a character is 83-year-old retired 1st Sgt. John Meyers, and a familiar figure in Ft. Sheridan, Highwood and the Railway Ave. USO. The Club's liaison officer, he knows many Sheridanites, and is always on hand to keep the boys informed on the activities of the Club, appearing, on special occasions, in full military regalia, with medals.

The boys and girls love to hear about his exploits in the Montana Indian skirmishes, and his experiences in the Spanish-American war and on the Mexican Border.

Three times mayor of Highwood, "Old Sarge" tried to reenlist in 1917 and again in 1941, but is obliged to content himself with doing his bit by seeing that the GI's have fun.

Deerfield Parents Receive Cheering News of Aviator

Mr. and Mrs. Mathian Hoffmann, 748 Waukegan Ave., Deerfield, have received the Air Medal and a certificate which stated that their son, T/Sgt. Hoffmann, aerial engineer on a Flying Fortress, reported lost over Germany, is entitled to three oak leaf clusters. They had been notified that their son is missing.

More recently, however, a personal letter has been received stating that the entire crew of Hoffmann's plane was seen to bail out after the craft was crippled.

T/Sgt. Hoffmann had written that he was nearly due for a leave. He has been with the air force in England since last November.

Dancing, Bridge At Local U.S.O.

Friday, June 16, at 12:30 the Wives' club luncheon will be served. In the evening, the Kenilworth G.S.O. will sponsor a special party for the O.G.U. at Great Lakes. The 34th army band will play for dancing. At 9:30 Mrs. Rooney's group will serve cake and coffee.

Saturday, June 17, at 6 p.m., there will be a "Dagwood Special" supper served by Mrs. Biddle's Winnetka group. Keno, a sing-song, and informal dancing complete the evening. Overnight sleeping is available as well as Sunday morning breakfast.

Sunday, June 18, the Service Mother's club will provide and serve the Java club breakfast at 10 a.m. The bowling and horseback riding groups leave the club in the afternoon. A buffet supper will be served from 7 to 9. At 8 there will be a feature movie and at 9 the 34th army band will play for dancing.

Dance instruction by Mrs. Lucy Smith starts the regular Monday dance night program. At 8, the Braeside Hill-billies will play for the country dancing. At 9:30, Mrs. Dunham's group will serve refreshments.

Tuesday, June 20, the Camp Skokte band will play for a Wilmette G.S.O. dancing party. There will be a variety show and at 9:30 refreshments.

Wednesday, June 21, the Married Couples club will meet at 6 for supper at the U.S.O. Colored movies follow and then Mrs. Gertrude Woods instructs in bridge. Informal dancing and special craft work complete the evening.

In The Nation's Service

Don Farmer At Tarawa

Every truthful veteran admits that when he first goes into battle he knows fear. And we are told that fear is a good thing in battle—it stimulates the adrenal glands and loads the blood supply heavily with oxygen. Pfc. Don "Muscles" Farmer, USMC, found a new use for fear at Tarawa. "I shook so," he writes, "that no bullet could possibly have hit me!" But that's his story.

Back in June, 1941, the Highland Park high school graduating class included a group of young stalwarts from Mr. Finch's advisory group whimsically known as "Finch's Fairies." Several of the group, including young Farmer, are now members of that "toughest outfit," the Marines.

Young Farmer received his basic training at San Diego, Calif., in January and February of 1942. Then for a time he dropped out of sight. Presently we learned that, among other bases, he had been stationed in New Zealand, Australia, Hawaii, was in that famous "first wave" at Tarawa, and is now at an undisclosed rest camp recuperating from his experiences.

Girls? Don hasn't seen any white ones since he left New Zealand, but he is firmly convinced that nowhere are there any like those in the good old U.S.A., and often speaks of his old friends in Highland Park.

He is the son of Mrs. Mary Agnes Farmer of Chicago, and the grandson of Mrs. Dennis Driscoll of this town.

Soon to receive his silver pilot's wings and officer's bars is A/C Howard Montague Jackson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jackson, 104 Clifton Ave., according to a report from Pampa Army Air Field, Texas.

An alumnus of the Highland Park high school, A/C Jackson was appointed to flight training in November, 1943, receiving his primary flight training at Sikeston, Mo., and his basic flight at Winfield, Kansas.

At the completion of his present rigid course at the twin-engine advanced flying school at Pampa, he will be assigned to duty as an instructor or combat pilot.

James Golden, husband of Kay Golden and father of young Sherry, living at 660 Deerfield Ave., last week enjoyed a brief leave from Great Lakes Naval Training Center, where he was recently graduated as Mail Specialist, 3/c. Before entering the service he served for seven years as local mail carrier.

Pvt. Robert Golden, U. S. Army, is stationed at Indiantown Gap, Pa. They are the sons of Mrs. Agnes Golden, 126 So. First St.

Recently returned to sea duty in the Atlantic area are Lt. Joseph J. Daly and Edward P. Daly, Seaman 1/c, of the U. S. Navy, after spending several days on leave at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Daly, 2407 Indian Tree Road. Both are married, and Lt. Daly has an 18-months-old daughter, Judy.



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UP TO NOW

With some 2,000 Highland Park boys in the service, with the long awaited invasion of the Fortress Europe in full swing, and with an already impressive list of Highland Park boys dead or wounded on the far-off fronts, the natural assumption would be that the only problem facing the local Red Cross bandage-making program, would be that of finding sufficient working space for the volunteers.

Such is not the case. A comparatively small handful of faithful workers are doing their best to get out Highland Park's share of the eight million bandages needed from the Chicago area during the months of June and July. Inevitably, some of those millions of bandages are going to be needed—desperately needed—by Highland Park boys.

Just what duties or activities, of such paramount importance as to overshadow such a need, are engaging the time of Highland Park's women to do even a few hours a week to this work, is hard to imagine.

Of course, rolling bandages is not glamorous. Neither is a piece of shrapnel in the belly. Several hours of banding over a table rolling bandages is not as pleasant as an afternoon tea on a shaded porch. Neither is lying in the mud on Normandy battlefield, hoping a medic shows up before you bleed to death. However, there is no mud and no sniper or shellfire in evidence at the Red Cross project here in Highland Park.

Every afternoon at the Second General hospital in England (and the same thing happens in other army hospitals) a ward boy would appear with huge sheets of cheese cloth used in casts. They were distributed among the patients, boys back from raids on Germany, from the battlegrounds of Tunis and Bizerte. Almost all of the patients took part in preparing the bandages. Some of them, although willing, didn't. They tried, but found that without the arm they had a few months earlier, they couldn't do the work. Even so, they went from bed

to bed collecting the bandages rolled by others, who still had two hands, whatever else they might be lacking.

The Red Cross meets Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Highland Park Wmwan's club, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Tuesday evenings, from 6:30 to 9:30. Every Highland Park woman who has a member of her family in service should be afraid not to go. She should be haunted by the fear that perhaps HER BOY MIGHT NEED THAT BANDAGE.

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COMMUNITY CHEST MEETING

The annual meeting of the Community Chest will be held Monday evening, June 19, in the Community center auditorium at 8 o'clock. Annual reports of officers will be made and seven new members will be elected to the board. All subscribers, who are members of the Chest, are asked to be present.

BOYS GRADUATE FROM LAKE FOREST ACADEMY

Highland Park boys who graduated from Lake Forest academy Saturday morning were David Aubrey, the last of four Aubrey brothers to graduate from the school, Bruce Kay Goodman and William Hamilton Sinker.

Legal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of School District No. 118, Lake County, Illinois, that a public hearing will be held on the tentative budget and appropriation ordinance for School District No. 118, Lake County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1944, and ending June 30, 1945, at the Highland Park High School in the English Club Room, East Building, in said school district on the twelfth day of July, 1944, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., Central War Savings Time.

The tentative budget and appropriation ordinance for said school district for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, 1944, and ending the thirtieth day of June, 1945, is now on file in the office of the Secretary, and is conveniently available for public inspection.

Dated this 29th day of May, 1944.

BOARD OF EDUCATION of Deerfield-Shield's Township High School District No. 118, County of Lake, State of Illinois.

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