



I'M IN THE ARMY NOW

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I was looking around this big air field the other day searching for some soldier news, and I happened to come to the end of the flying ramp. There I saw eight huge trucks. They interested me, for some unknown reason, for I had seen them there before.

I discovered these seven-and-a-half ton trucks, that have 32 tires, contained some of the gas used by the giant B-24 Liberator bombers we have at this field.

We have a transitional training school here where pilots get their first taste of handling four-engine ships.

Golly! . . . I learned these planes use 50,000 gallons of 100 octane gas daily—and this is only one field among the scores of others where men are taught to fly.

That 50,000 gallons of gas would fuel your car, Highland Park, for 750,000 miles. And the 800 gallons of oil would keep your motor lubricated for 4 years.

Ho, Hum—Pin-ups . . .

In spite of the tirade this column carries on against the poor pin-up girl, she keeps appearing in the newspaper—wasting newsprint, labeled "The Girl With Whom We'd Like Most To . . ." and so on.

Press agents have missed one name for the poor creature.

This column has a suggestion—

"Girl-Who-Like-Most-To-Go-On-Detached-Service-With."

That's a new one!

Significant Fact . . .

It's significant, I think, that a

pin-up girl (to my knowledge) has never been named, "The Girl We'd Like Most To Come Home To" . . . or . . . "The Girl We'd Like Most To Marry."

I asked one of the toughest sergeants I know about this.

(Skipping the funnies, features, and sports, this rugged character always races through the newspaper's pages in search of a pin-up girl.)

His Answer . . .

"Well, it's this way, Corp," he said out of the side of his mouth. "We like to look at these here girls—but we wouldn't like to marry 'em. They're not the kind that makes a good wife or mother. We don't have much respect for 'em."

Nazi Nurses . . .

Stories keep coming back from the front lines that bring a grim smile from this corporal.

A few weeks back came the story about American officers returning six Nazi nurses to the Nazi commanding posses. This in itself is not amusing—but it shows we're good sports anyway.

But what amused me was the Nazi officer who greeted the Allied officers who returned the nurses.

Remember what he said in rather an embarrassed tone?

"It's a hot day, isn't it?"

Emily Post Says . . .

Exacting Emily Post—and thank the Lord we still have persons who demand quality living!—wrote in her column the other day that a man should always wear a coat and tie to dinner. It's proper, she says, but it's kinda warm, too, don't you think, Miss Post?

S/Sgt. Richard Stupey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stupey, 100 Walnut, and Pfc. Harlan Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rogers of Ft. Sheridan, met recently at an English base, according to a late letter. The W. H. Rogers formerly lived in Highland Park.

Harold Kramer, 17-year-old June graduate of the local high school, has reported at Great Lakes for his basic training upon completion of which he will continue his studies in Navy radar under the V-6 course. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Kramer, 373 Orchard.

Frank Miller, Jr., in civilian life an electrician at Davis-Maurine Electric service, and now electrician's mate, 2/c, USN, is in the So. Pacific area, where he is serving on board a mine sweeper. He has also served in the European area, taking part in the invasion of Sicily. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, 623 Homewood.

Pvt. Richard Schaafl, who has been receiving instruction at the Ordnance Automotive School, Fort Cook, Nebr., is now at Flint, Mich., studying tank engines at the Michigan Army School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schaafl, 200 Ravine.

Lauded by both civil and army authorities for his engineering services with regard to electric and water supplies in Rome, Italy, Cpl. Tony Manzetti is now leading a company of combat engineers in the European area. He is the brother of Mrs. Angelo Colo, 134 Highwood Ave., Highwood.

Sgt. Donald Ugolini, who served in the European area for 27 months, taking part in the campaigns of North Africa, Sicily and Italy, is spending a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Ugolini, 219 Everts Place, Highwood.

UP TO NOW

Highwood politics, which, during the past few weeks have shown a surface calm, are still anything but quiet underneath that deceptive surface and may, at any time, erupt again, throwing faction against faction and creating a situation which will be quieted, and then only temporarily, with the approach of the elections next spring.

One ingredient in the political brew, exciting general and particular interest is the appointment of a new chief of police. Many observers wonder why this should be so in view of the fact that the tenure of office is, as a rule, brief at best, (John DeSnidt was a notable exception) but even the fact that the sure time in office for a new chief would be only until the elections next spring has failed to quiet the controversy raging around this appointment.

Mayor Charles Portilla has indicated that he will appoint a former Cook county deputy sheriff and Chicago department store detective, Charles Singer, to the post, and in view of the unflattering criticisms leveled at other members of the force, by members of the council, it might have been expected that the importation of new talent might have found some support. However, even those who have been sharpest in their denunciations of the present force, have viewed this development with a jaundiced eye, declaring against the appointment of an "outsider." Whether this disapproval stems from a meddlesome political strategy, based on the fact that it is always good politics to declare for home talent, or whether the opponents have a dark horse ready for presentation is problematical, but their opposition is none the less present.

However, this opposition, well-based or not, is likely to have little effect upon the ultimate appointment. Mayor Portilla has a long and well established habit of appointment. Veteran observers of the

which come under his powers of appointment. Veteran observers of the Highwood scene have not forgotten how he used to appoint Pete Andreotti to the police force every week (just to make it legal) over the determined opposition of most of his council. These observers point out that Pete is still there and opine that if Charlie has to appoint a new chief on a week to week basis he will not hesitate to do so.

The question of the Harold Snavelly tavern is another issue which may touch off political py-

rotechnics. Thus far, state rulings have been with the mayor in his contention that it is too close to the Highwood Methodist church, the attorney General, George F. Barrett, having ruled that the measurement of the distance between a tavern and a house of worship should not be computed on a basis of property line to property line, but the tavern is still operating. All indications are that if it is closed at all it will be closed only after a long, costly and bitter court battle.

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In The Nation's Service

The story has just caught up with us, or vice versa, of a dashing young cavalryman, now stationed in the Admiralty Islands, who received some ribbing during a recent furlough in town, about the classy girl friend he was piloting around. He took the kidding with a laugh in the sleeve, but said girl friend was 'guess who'—his mother.

2nd Lt. John Kelly, brother of Mrs. Donald J. Schwalbach, 611 Central, who entered the service in January, 1943, and received his wings at Freeman Field, Ind., the following August, writes that he is now stationed in England, serving on evacuation missions. Prior to entering the service, Lt. Kelley was an employee at the Central Hardware store.

Mrs. Julia Nardini, 321 Grove, Highwood, has two airmen in the family. Her son, Eyo Mini, stationed in England, is radio waist gunner A/C Albert Mini is now taking his primary flight course at Dorr Field, Arcadia, Fla. He expects to be joined there soon by his wife.

Sgt. Robert Roeber is spending a short furlough with his wife, Sally, at 369 Central. He is stationed at Camp Ham, Calif., with an anti-aircraft battalion.

Pfc. Louis Crovetti, having completed his radio course at Madison, Wis., is stationed with the Army air forces at Pratt, Kansas, as operator of a radio control tower.

Sgt. Claude VanderBloemen, formerly stationed at Alliance, Nebr., is now with a B-29 squadron in Fresno, Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John VanderBloemen, 213 North.

Private Miriam Cohen, sister of Mr. Nathan Cohen, 363 Cedar Ave., Highland Park, who has been stationed at the training center of the Women's Army Corps at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., has been assigned to WAC Detachment, Romulus AAB, Romulus, Mich.

A/C Edward W. Hart, Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart, Sr., 965 N. St. Johns Ave., Highland Park, has arrived at the AAF Training Command's Altus Army Air Field, Altus, Okla., to begin the final nine weeks phase of his military pilot training. After flying 70 hours in two-engine training planes and taking 70 lecture-hours of combat subjects in ground school, Hart will be awarded the silver wings of Army Air Forces' pilot.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Fell, 514 Midlothian, have two sons in the service. Sheldon, 21, a 1941 graduate of the local high school, has been in the Army for nearly one and one-half years. He is at present stationed with a hospital evacuation unit at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Jerry Fell, 17, a June graduate, has enlisted in the Navy and will be

sworn in on Friday, July 21.

Capt. Dehn Tjaden, famed for his splendid work in taking transports "over the hump" in the India-China theater, has arrived at Rosecrans Field, near St. Joseph, Mo., where he will serve as flight instructor. During his overseas duty Capt. Tjaden received many honors for his accomplishments in this most dangerous field of action, including the Presidential citation. Mrs. Tjaden, the former Dorothy Mailfield, is with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Smith, 614 S. Linden, had as their guest last week their daughter, Lt. Louise S. Phillips of the Marine Corps women's reserve, stationed at Camp Lajeune, N.C., who was returning to her base from duties on the west coast.

Lt. Phillips has two lieutenant brothers—Lt. (j.g.) Alth R. Smith of the Navy and Lt. Denton Smith, Army, stationed in the So. Pacific area.

Pvt. Samuel Smith, former local justice of the peace, is in town on furlough, visiting his wife and family at 864 Ridgewood. He has been stationed with the Army medical corps at Camp Grant.

Pvt. George Koller of the Army field artillery, has been for two months stationed in Hawaii. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Koller, 190 Beverly, and was formerly employed at Abbott Laboratories.

Norman Peterson, gunners mate, 2/c, USN, on board an aircraft carrier for several months, is home for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Bessie Peterson, 626 Glenview, after which he will report back to Boston.

His brother, Robert "Bocker" Peterson, carpenter's mate 3/e, USN, is serving aboard a minesweeper in the Pacific area.


After spending a month in town, Ens. Francis Sheahan has reported to Jacksonville, Fla., for naval indoctrination training of one month, after which he expects to receive a two months' course in amphibious training at Norfolk, Va. Ens. Sheahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sheahan, 681 Central, was graduated from the Annapolis U. S. Naval Academy on June 7.

Arthur H. Swanson, USN, who has been for one year attending Purdue University under the V-12 program, has begun his pre-midshipman's training at Asbury Park, N.J. Recently he spent a leave with his parents, Com. and Mrs. Arthur Swanson, Sr., 375 Orchard Lane.

Pvt. Robert Austin has left for his new post at San Antonio, Texas, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin at 1352 Broad-

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