



## I'M IN THE ARMY NOW

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### Odds and Ends

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#### CHANUTE FIELD, ILL.—

**TOO FAR AWAY FROM HIGHLAND PARK, ILL.—**  
Bill Mann, youthful Highland Park, is captain of the University of Illinois' swimming team. Recently-commissioned Lt. Tim Starrels, only son of the Joel Starrels, is at Chanute Field, Ill., where he's taking a very special course.

Lt. Ed Moroney, one time Highland Park high football ace, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Moroney of 573 Glenview, is a P-51 Mustang pilot with a crack fighter outfit in England. Ed has been awarded the second and third oak leaf clusters to his Air Medal. He became the proud papa of a daughter recently.

That pretty blond model you're seeing lately in the nation's better magazines is Highland Park's lovely Bobbe Bosworth — just in case you've been commenting, "I've seen her somewhere before."

**NEAT TRICK** . . . This story comes our way . . . It seems a 75-year-old farmer from Tongonoxie, Kans., visited Chicago recently. He was walking down Boul Mich by the Drake, with friends, when his eyes happened on one of the attractive shops. "Women's Exchange!" he exclaimed. "Can you really bring your wife here and exchange her for another one?"

#### THESE CHILDREN . . .

We smiled when we heard this yarn . . . Little Lucy, aged four, spent most of her time with kind, old grandfather. He was a wise man and knew the value of money. Unobtrusively he taught Lucy that a dime tip here and a quarter tip there made life run a bit more smoothly. Lucy was not neat about her toys. She left them scattered about the floor and her mother, a dignified woman, frequently stumbled over small, wooden tanks, airplanes, and soldiers. One day Lucy's mom came home weary and grouchy. She tripped over some toys and almost fell. "Lucy, you must pick up these play things. If you don't I'll have to give you a spanking," she told her twinkling-eyed daughter.

Lucy frowned, smiled, then said: "Mommie, I'll give you a quarter if you pick 'em up for me!"

#### TOP THIS ONE . . .

A ribbon-bedecked sergeant, just back from the bitterest fighting at the front, went into a Chicago restaurant searching for a tasty meal. He asked the waitress for a slice of butter when his dinner came. She, in turn, rolled out the hackneyed, "Say, Sergeant, don't you know there's a war going on?" The sergeant then leaned over towards her and whispered: "Do you think we'll get in it?"

#### ON PROMISES . . .

One frequently muses about GI promises . . . If all promises we've been given were kept, we thought the other day, this corporal would be a captain, waiting for his majority. How about that?

#### JUST WONDERING, THAT'S ALL . . .

I'm wondering . . . If tin foil will be used on cigarettes after the war? . . . If we'll put ethyl gasoline in our autos in post-war years? . . . Where F.D.R. gets HIS smokes? . . . If we'll want so much steak and butter at war's end? . . . Why the thirsty American public gladly spends seven billions of dollars on booze in a year (they did in '44) and then remains hesitant about cleaning up slum areas and giving to the Red Cross? . . . Why there's so much space devoted to "leg" art and scandal when there is a newsprint shortage? . . . How many pieces of butter the "leaders" were allowed at Yalta? . . . Where is all the good food going? . . . We were just wondering, that's all!

er, 689 W. Park, and his wife and brand-new son, Edward Frederick, Jr., who live in Chicago.

A bronze star, for heroic achievement in action in Tunisia, has been awarded Sgt. Herman C. Lenzi, of Highwood. He is stationed in Italy.

Pfc. Elmer Gerken, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gerken, 302 N. St. Johns, who entered the service in 1942, and at first served with a tank destroyer command, has been transferred to the infantry at Camp Gruber, Okla.

Pft. John Duffy, stationed in the European area since last July, who received a head injury in action, has recovered and is at present stationed in Belgium.

Pfc. Ray Paganelli, former meat market proprietor in Highwood, recently visited his wife and daughter at 236 Highwood Ave. He entered the service over a year ago, and is stationed at Camp Lee, as butcher in the Quartermaster school.

#### OVERSEAS VETERAN IS HOME ON 30-DAY VISIT

T/5 Leslie Williams, mentioned in last week's issue as now stationed in Belgium, arrived in town last Wednesday evening, to spend 30 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams, 672 Deerfield. He was one of the 20 local men to be dismissed from service as over 28, and then recalled when war was declared. Since then he has served three years overseas, in Iceland, England, France, Belgium — and twice in Germany, retreating once before an enemy drive and then recovering the lost ground. T/5 Leslie considers his branch, the medical corps — the best in the service.

#### Help in Preparing Surgical Dressings

The gauze needed to prepare the 43,000 dressings required for the month of March, has arrived. Women are asked to report at the Woman's club on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., or on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., to help prepare these dressings. The need is urgent.

#### NAVY MAN TO TRAIN FOR NEW ASSIGNMENT

Lt. (j.g.) Eric Haessler, USN, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Mildred Haessler, 1737 Rice, for the past two weeks.

A 1942 graduate of Dartmouth, Lt. Haessler has been a member of the navy since that time, and has just completed an assignment in the European theater of war in which he was commander of an LCI boat. He left this week for Norfolk, Va., where he will train for a new assignment.

#### VETERAN OF THREE EUROPEAN CAMPAIGNS VISITING IN TOWN

Cpl. Harry Lindstrom is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eloff Lindstrom, 844 W. Park.

Cpl. Lindstrom, a former gunner with a tank battalion, and veteran of campaigns in Africa, Italy and France, was seriously wounded while serving in France on July 28, and is now a patient at the Percy Jones hospital, Battle Creek, Mich.

#### RAILWAY AVENUE USO TO HONOR WOUNDED VETS

A series of Tuesday night parties will be held at the NCCS-USO in Highwood, honoring Purple Heart veterans of World War II. Edward Kramp, director, has an-

nounced. Other service men and women are welcomed, as well as the guests of honor.

These parties will be gala affairs, with music by the 19-piece, prize-winning 344th U. S. band at the Fort, as well as other attractive features. Victory Belles will act as hostesses and dancing partners. Refreshments, including homemade pie, will be furnished by the Highwood Service Mothers' club.

#### Schultz Family Hears Of Imprisoned Son

Their many friends and acquaintances rejoice with the L. C. Schultz family, 347 N. Linden, in having received direct, though unofficial news of their son, Lt. Louis Schultz, 27, who has been missing in the Philippines since the fall of Corregidor. An officer in Lt. Schultz' regiment (the Philippine Scouts) was recently rescued from a Manila prison, and arrived in San Francisco last Friday night. On Saturday he telephoned his own family in Chicago and asked them to inform the family of Lt. Schultz that he knows the lieutenant well, and last saw him after the surrender of Corregidor. That Schultz was in the best of physical condition, and was one of a group of officers transferred to Japan as prisoners of war.

This is the first word received by the family since a letter received from their son December 8, 1941. They are now endeavoring to establish contact with him through the Red Cross.

#### JOHN LIDICKER NOW A SECOND LIEUTENANT

Appointment of John E. Lidicker, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lidicker of 1844 Deerfield road, as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force was announced recently at the headquarters of the Ninth Air Force B-26 Maulrauder station

in France.

Lt. Lidicker had completed three combat missions as a co-pilot of a Maulrauder before he was notified of his promotion. He had been a flight officer, his rating upon graduation from the advanced flight training school at Columbus, Miss.

#### RECENT ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Johnston, 1124 Marion avenue, with their small daughter, recently arrived from New York city and took up residence at the above address. Mr. Johnston is an engineer for the Livingston Plastic Co. of Northbrook.

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## IN THE NATION'S SERVICE

Mr. and Mrs. John Pasquesi, 216 Railway, Highwood, have been greatly cheered by letters from an English woman who has entertained their son, Pvt. Henry, 21, as houseguest during his furloughs. An infantryman, he suffered wounds in the left hand and arm, and has done limited service since his discharge from the hospital. He has served overseas since September, 1943.

Last November he was visited at the army hospital by his brother, Pfc. Angelo, 23, who arrived in England in October, and is now serving with the armed infantry, probably in Germany.

A Japanese battle flag, taken on Saipan, was sent home recently by Ens. Tom Stern, son of the Alfred Sterns, formerly of this town, but now living in Chicago. Ens. Stern is serving on an LST boat, in the Pacific area, and writes that he has taken part in five major landings.

Corporal Ralph S. Higgins, 593 Central, gunner on a B-24 Liberator, has recently been assigned to an Eighth Air Force Liberator group and is now flying in bombing attacks on targets in Germany.

The airman is a member of the 392nd Heavy Bombardment group commanded by Col. Lorin L. Johnson of Payson, Utah. The unit has participated in the long struggle to decisively cripple German's war machinery. Its 100th mission was made on D-day in conjunction with the initial landings in France, the 200th on Armistice day.

Cpl. Higgins attended Elm Place grammar school and Highland Park high school. He entered service in February, 1944, and graduated from gunnery school in August, 1944. He was employed by the Higgins & Son service station in Highland Park. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Higgins, also live at the Central avenue address.

A/C William "Bill" Pomper, having completed his basic training as a pilot at Courtland, Ala., is receiving his advanced training at the same base. In a recent letter he speaks of having met Mr.

R. H. Price, former Elm Place principal, on the train platform at Decatur, Ala. Pomper's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pomper, 320 Maple.

2nd Lt. James Garrity, husband of Mrs. Rose Garrity and father of 16-month-old Daryl, 233 Oakridge, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. His infantry division, fighting in Luzon, has received much praise for its recent achievements. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garrity, 224 Burchell, Highwood.

Sgt. Roger W. Rubin, with a signal corps company of the U. S. army, who was inducted into service in September, 1943, has arrived at an overseas base in France. He is 20 years old, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rubin, 138 S. First.

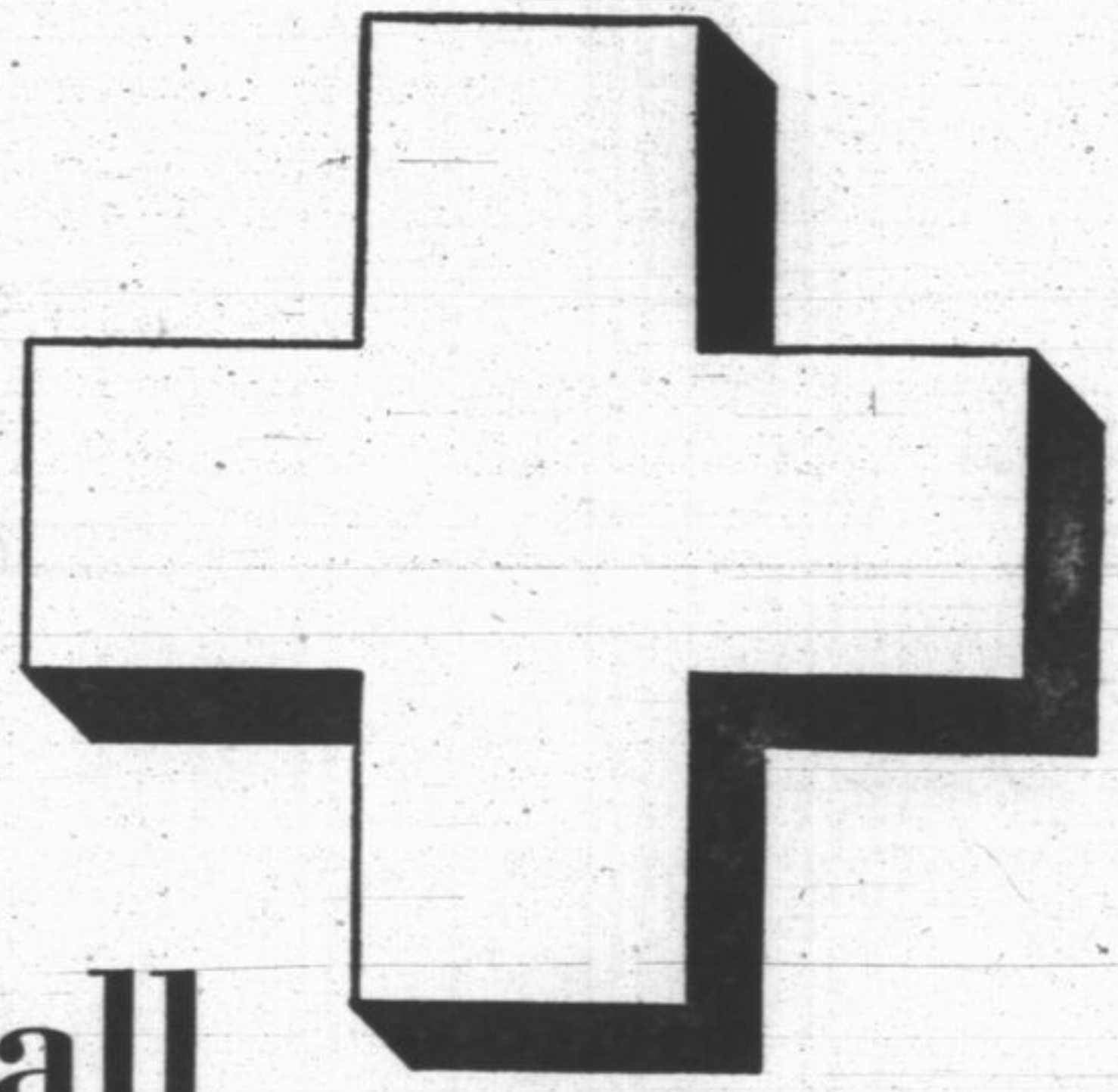
Pfc. Charles Barnes, 20, now stationed in the European area as ambulance driver with the army medical corps, has been promoted to the rank of corporal. Inducted into service in May, 1943, and overseas since last August, he is the son of Mrs. George Perry, 320 Palmer, Highwood.

2nd Lt. John M. Pearce, stationed in England since last September, and veteran of 13 completed missions as pilot of a B-24 bomber, was recently promoted to the rank of 1st lieutenant and awarded the air medal. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pearce, 315 N. St. Johns.

Ezekiel Forcer, P. O. 1/c, in aviation radio, left last week for his base in the Caribbean area after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Farmer, 25 Deerfield. He entered the service in June, 1942.

Pvt. Joseph Morini, radio man, is now stationed with the AAF in India. He is 20, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Morini, 236 Highwood avenue, Highwood.

2nd Lt. Edward F. Fischer, stationed in Greensboro, N. C., was home last week for a brief visit with his mother, Mrs. Alice Fisch-



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