

# THE OUTPOST

FROM CAMPS AT HOME

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about 2 months ago. I am pretty sure of staying here for a while. It is a big change from Anti-Aircraft to Infantry. But, it doesn't effect me much, as I still work as a mechanic. I'll bet there aren't any more Back-Mountain boys in this camp, unless they came here from Camp Stewart, Georgia.

I would rather be in California than Texas. But, I wouldn't trade the old home town for any state I have been in, so far.

Well, Howard, I guess that is all for this time. Here's hoping I get a Post real soon. Thank you for putting-up with my changing my address so many times.

Sincerely,  
Pvt. Richard Gibson  
Camp Howze, Texas.

● Don't kid yourself. S/Sgt. Abdon Kupstas is with 60th Bn. 15th Reg. IARIC and Pvt. Thomas Dickinson is with IRTC. Kupstas comes from Alderson the same as you do, and Dickinson comes from East Dallas.—Editor.

### Sherman Was Right

Dear Mr. Risley

I've certainly traveled a long way since Larry and I were in your office two weeks ago. I'm back again in the sunny South but right now that seems to be a misnomer. Since I returned we have had nothing but cloudy or rainy weather. In the mornings it is downright chilly. I have seen plenty of sunny weather though. Too much to please me. Especially when the thermometer soars to 120 degrees in the shade early in the morning and just hangs there all day and every one wears the least clothes the regulations and decency will allow to try to relieve it a trifle.

The only consolation that I have since I returned is the fact that it is a lot warmer here than it is at home. Still I would gladly shiver and shake around home for a few weeks until I became accustomed to the cold if they would only allow me to stay. And so would a thousand other fellows who are undoubtedly a lot worse off than I am.

We had a big parade in town today to celebrate (?) Pearl Har-

or. They had a squadron of men from Ft. Benning that marched behind us and another group from Darro Tech., a primary flying school on the other side of town from here. Turner field sent out 700 aviation trainees including yours truly. It would have been a very impressive sight, we had Com-mando Kelly to lead us, I guess his fame is well enough known that I needn't say more; but of course, it had to rain and we all were soaked. Everyone had a rain coat on but after standing in the rain as long as we did it soaked right on through. As I am writing this I have the sniffles and probably will wake up tomorrow with the cold I have now about twice as bad. Oh, well, the medics wouldn't have much to do if someone didn't go on sick call now and then.

I'm anxious to hear how the deer hunting is coming along and also I would like to hear how you are coming along with that library you mentioned while we were there. I think it's a wonderful idea and hope you can succeed in swinging it. Keep me posted and if I could possibly do anything to help, I would like to.

Do do you know that I had to leave home just the day before deer season opened! I would have given almost anything to have been able to stay for the first few days. Sherman really knew what he was talking about, didn't he!

Sincerely,  
Donald King  
Turner Field, Ga.

● Well, Don, the deer season hasn't been so good. I don't believe I've heard of more than a half dozen being killed. You'd enjoy the winter weather we're having now. There's plenty of snow and more of it coming tonight. Some of the hunters have been marooned in the mountains by drifts. We've had three meetings on the library and have an active committee at work making preparations to purchase a building. Enjoy your visit and your letter. With best wishes for the holidays.—Editor.

### For The Love of Mike

Dear Mr. Risley:

Crew 7316 of the fighting Amphibs has gone to Texas, and taken the neighbor's boy with it. Almost the first thing that happened to me was the theft of about \$20 worth of my gear, among which was my one and only pen. What really burned me up was the fact

## BELGIAN CIVILIANS KILLED BY GERMAN ROCKET BOMB



THIS GRIM AND HISTORIC PHOTO was taken a few minutes after a German rocket bomb hit the intersection of a main street in an unidentified city in Belgium. It shows bodies of Belgian civilians, mostly women and children, lying piled up in grotesque positions of death amid the scat-

tered wreckage caused by the blast. The Germans have been hurling rocket bombs into liberated areas daily and have been recently boasting that giant V-3 rocket bombs will be fired on New York by the end of the month. U. S. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International Soundphoto)

that every thing they took was clean; I had just washed it, and it was drying when they took it. Guess it doesn't pay to have clean gear.

Interested in what I have been doing? Really doesn't make any difference if you are or not. I am going to tell you anyway. The major part of my time is divided into three parts, namely, eating, sleeping, and going on liberty. Occasionally however, I break down, turn-to, and do a little work. For instance-one job for one day for thirty men went something like this. Unload three railroad cars of ammunition-each one containing 700 cases, each case weighing 121 lbs., load it all on trucks which carried it about 1/2 mile, then un-

load the trucks. Here is one sailor who is glad he doesn't do that very often.

To give you an idea of what I mean by sleep, yesterday I had 17 hrs. of sack duty, without once waking. Too bad this life can't last forever. Then, by way of eating, (my favorite occupation) for breakfast I had seven pancakes, 4 pieces of bread, 2 cups of coffee, 2 boxes of cornflakes, and three pieces of sausage. Three hours later I was eating one of the biggest chicken dinners I have ever seen.

You may have heard that George is in Texas, too. Don't think he is much more than 500 miles away from here, in a place called Pyote. If everything goes well, I may get

around to seeing the guy. His better half is in Buffalo. Think I'd get married, too, if I could find a woman who could support me; but alas, it will be a long time before I can find her.

Huston is the best liberty town I have ever seen, with the excep-

tion of Dallas. There is something to suit every taste. Believe it or not. I have even been ice-skating. Six times since I have been on

this base I have had guard duty. First, I have to get in the mood, by eating too much; so I don't feel good. Then, I tip my hat over one eye and wear a frown on my face. On my hip I carry a 38 pistol, and then I am just as tough as they come. To show my full importance, once in a while I pick up the phone, and with a businesslike voice I call the M. A.'s shack, or the gate, and shoot the breeze for a while. Maybe it isn't all in the line of duty, but it helps to pass away four hours. The men are beginning to think I lie awake nights thinking of ways to be nasty, but I don't. It comes natural to me.

The boy and the girl stood on the deck, The girl, her arms around his neck. The boy was burning, not the deck.

And so we leave the boy and girl and me and Houston. Take it away, Dallas.

As ever,  
Dick Phillips  
Huston, Texas.

● Come in neighbor's boy. This is Dallas shivering under a blanket of snow and ice that would cool the ardor of any sailor cookin' on the deck. Ask your brother. He breezed in from Texas with his wife the other morning at 3 A. M. He's trying to persuade her to leave Buffalo and go back to the sage-brush with him. Funny. You like Texas. He doesn't. Wait til you get a wife to support you, you won't either. Met a swell looking girl in a hot dog stand in Luzerne the other day. Said she lo-o-o-ved to read Dick Phillip's letters. She's married. Take it away, sailor, take it away.—Editor.

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