



# THE OUTPOST

Where those at home and the men and women in the armed services from the Back Mountain Region—in camps and on the fighting fronts—keep contact with their fellows throughout the world.



## FROM CAMPS AT HOME

### From California Gang

Dear Editor:  
I am just dropping you a few lines letting you know where I am and what I am doing. We have been moved so much that I didn't have time to send anyone my address.

We left Sampson on Nov. 10, and were drafted into the Sea Bees at Camp Endicott, Rhode Island. We were only there a week and then were shipped out here in California for an advanced training. The training is not much different than what we had in Sampson. I guess it is just to keep us in good shape. We were moved into four different barracks before we were put in this barracks where we expect to stay for awhile. We are now in the 19th battalion that just came back from overseas. They were supposed to be on construction work but were fighting side by side with the Marines. But someone has to do the fighting and there is no use kicking because it won't do a bit of good. I have found that out already. While we are here we have every other night off and every other weekend off. If you go out everytime you can. It is

kind of hard on the pocket. There is not enough time to do anything on night liberty so I just take the weekends. I had the last weekend and saw some professional golf players playing golf. I wish I could see them play every weekend.

I was split up from the rest of the fellows I started with. Joe Hughes, Bill Husted, and Bob McCarty were put into the 40th battalion. When we leave here we will get split up for good, but I hope we see each other once in a while. Don't know of anything else to say, so I'll close.

A friend,  
Dick Dymond S 2/C  
Camp Parks, Calif.

● Marvin Karkhuff is in California now, too. He is a fireman.—Editor.

Dear Editor:

Just a line to let you know that I have been transferred to the A & R shop at Naval Air Station Alameda, Calif. After completing the school at Jacksonville, and sure would appreciate it if you would send the Post to me here, as I sure do miss the hometown news. California is nice country, but can't compare with the hills of Pennsylvania.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone back there a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,  
Gilbert F. Husted, S 1/C  
Alameda, Calif.

## PUT THESE IN YOUR BIRTHDAY BOOK!

The Post assumes no responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of this list, compiled each week from the card index of soldier information on file at the Post.

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## CONTACT

For Service Men



### Wins Silver Wings

Napier Field, Ala., Dec. 23—Clayton Lee Cairl, 20, of Dallas, Pa., today received the silver wings of an Army Air Force pilot and was sworn in as a Flight Officer at ceremonies at Napier Field Alabama, an advanced single engine pilot school of the AAF Training Command.

Son of Captain and Mrs. William F. Cairl, Jr., Fort Missoula, Missoula, Montana, F/O Cairl is a graduate of the Dallas Borough High School in Dallas Pa. Previous to his acceptance for aviation cadet training he was employed with the Klisch Flying School in Fort Fort, Pa.

### Wagner Graduates

Madison, Wis., Dec. 20.—Pvt. William L. Wagner, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wagner Lincoln avenue, Dallas, has been graduated from the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Trux Field where he studied the servicing of radio equipment used on U. S. bombers and fighter planes, it was announced today by the post commander.

Trained primarily as a technician, he also studied defense against chemical warfare, aircraft identification, and related AAF subjects designed to fit him for combat duty.

Depending upon needs of the AAF throughout the world he may be assigned to an advanced school or to another center as an instructor in radio mechanics.

Theodore Reed, S2/C, has returned to Bainbridge, Md., after spending a nine-day leave with his parents.

Clinton Brobst has returned to the Naval Training Station at Sampson, N. Y., after spending seven days here.

Pvt. Sherman Kunkle is at home having completed his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. After two weeks he will report to Camp Ord, California. His wife the former Betty Case has been with him for the past three months at Fort Knox.

Cpl. Thomas Girvan of Westover Field, Mass., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Girvan of Lake street. Mrs. Helen Girvan Lewis and Mrs. Joseph Girvan whose husbands are both on foreign soil, also had dinner with them.

So long all,  
A Post fan,  
S/Sgt. Joseph J. Hudak

seven or eight days. It hasn't rained for over a month now. Today we have Captain's inspection in Dress Blues, but I didn't have to go. I just came back from Sick Bay; I was playing football yesterday and turned it quite a bit, so I have a light duty slip which enables me to take it easy or Goldbrick.

I won't have a white Christmas, but I expect to have an enjoyable one. One of my class-mates who lives in Los Angeles has invited me up for Christmas. I rate a 46 hour pass for the holiday. Not much time, but we can have a lot of fun in that short a time. This will be my second Christmas away from home, I spent the last one in Kansas City, Mo.

That's enough of my blabbering, I want to thank you for sending the Post; and I hope this coupon will enable you to keep it coming my way.

Say hello to Mr. post and Mr. Fink for me.

I remain,  
Eddie  
Edward Tutak, Jr., S 2/C

**YOUR WASTE PAPER  
MAKES AMMUNITION CASES  
—KNOCKS OUT NAZIS**

## "Christmas Visions"

There he lay, on the hard, cold ground  
Senseless to war, senseless to sound,  
His war torn body resting in sleep  
Where he'd thrown it down in a tired heap.

'Twas Christmas Eve at home tonight  
And his slumbers carried him back in their flight,  
The little old town he knew so well  
And o'er the deep snow a sounding bell.

At last he came to a familiar street  
And he hurried on with anxious feet,  
Of course, they knew he would come tonight  
For all the windows at home were alight.

Oh, what a scene of joy he beheld  
As he entered the door where loved ones dwelled,  
There were cries of delight, a wealth of cheer  
And on Mothers face a silent tear.

There stood the tree in its Christmas attire  
Sparkling and gleaming like a thing afire,  
And underneath its fragrant boughs  
Were little gifts, pledging family vows.

Is it any wonder he smiled in his sleep  
A smile that would make an angel weep,  
For through the sorrow he'd found o'er the foam  
This one night, he knew the peace of home.

He opened his eyes and greeted the dawn  
He rose and stretched, and his dreams were gone,  
But on this strangest Christmas day  
He opened his heart, to God, to pray.  
—Florence Adams,  
Kingston, Pa.

## THE SAFETY VALVE

### Urges Silent Prayer

To the Post:

Vice Commander Paul Shaver and Charles Stookey, representing the Daddow-Isaacs Post 672, American Legion, decorated the Dallas Honor Roll and the small trees with Christmas lights in memory of our boys and girls in the service of their country.

It might be well for us to pause a moment in passing this beautiful memorial to our illustrious sons and daughters and say a silent prayer for all those who have so nobly given their all for this great cause.

Frank J. Ferry, Commander,  
Daddow-Isaac Post  
American Legion.

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## Overseas Mail May Carry Insect Pests

Harrisburg, Dec.—Pointing out that some of the Nation's most destructive plant pests and diseases came "by accident" from foreign countries, all relatives and friends of servicemen overseas are cautioned to examine carefully any plants or seeds sent to them through the mails from war areas, and to destroy any that might contain insect eggs, grubs or suspicious-looking scale.

Existing infestations of the European corn borer, Japanese beetle, gypsy moth, Mediterranean fruit fly (bean weevil, vetch weevil and various other insects that annually cause losses amounting to millions of dollars to Pennsylvania crops, can be traced to imported fruits, vegetables or seeds, according to Dr. Thomas L. Guyton, director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, State Department of Agriculture.

Because gifts from overseas servicemen might be potential carriers of some plant pest new to this country packages usually are examined by Federal inspectors at the port of entry. If they are cleared the packages are stamped "Entry Permitted" or "Inspected and Released." Persons receiving packages of seeds, bulbs, roots or plants that are not so marked, and there is reason to suspect the presence of some form of insect or disease, the package may be sent to the State Bureau of Plant Industry at Harrisburg for examination.

## IDETOWN

Mrs. Al Rinken and Mrs. Esther Davis have received word that S/Sgt. Clifford Davis arrived safely somewhere in the South Pacific.

Mr. Harold Connor, of Pottsville, spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Renshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Boice have received word that Cpl. Howard Boice, Jr. is somewhere in North Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kitchen left on Thursday to spend the rest of the winter in Florida.

Mrs. Charles Ellsworth of Hamlin spent last weekend with Mr. and

A lighted window beckons  
Through curtains clean and neat;  
Dim is the hearth, and stilled,  
The patter of little feet.

Here tears and laughter mingled  
In sweet and wellow blend,  
And crowning all with holiness,  
Love that will never end.

By TSgt. Harold Powell, (Marine  
Corps Combat Correspondent).

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