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THE 45th Division, composed partially of the Oklahoma National Guard, was cited as a unit for distinguished conduct on the beachhead below Rome. This announcement was the first official statement as to the location of the 45th.

Numerous alumni are attached to the Division, particularly Field Artillery officers. Many of them have been decorated for valorous action in Sicily and Italy.

► Lt. Richard O. Trent, '40-'42, Oklahoma City, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious action in the South Pacific. Overseas since last June, he was injured in August and grounded until November.

He has taken part in more than 50 missions, transporting supplies and troops over territory patrolled by enemy aircraft.

► Lt. E. Douglas Lewis, '38-'42, Coyle, member of a Bombardment Squadron, has been awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for meritorious achievement in aerial combat flights against the Japanese in the Pacific war zone. He recently completed his 45th mission.

► Capt. Hershel S. Carver, Jr., '38-'41, Marine dive-bomber pilot from Holdenville, was awarded the Air Medal with gold Oak Leaf Cluster for successful missions against the Japanese at Rendova, Bougainville, Munda and the Russell Islands.

Captain Carver has returned from the South Pacific to the Marine Corps Air Station near Santa Ana, California.

► Lt. Claude R. Fletcher, '39-'41, Norman, has been awarded the Air Medal for distinguished work as a navigator with the 13th Air Force in the South Pacific. Mrs. Fletcher, the former Hazel Moore, '42ed, teaches school in Oklahoma City.

► Capt. Glenn D. Kelley, '34-'37, Norman, flight commander with the Air Force in England, has been awarded the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster. He recently visited with Lt. Col. James E. Ensey, '28med, in England with the Medical Corps.

► Lt. J. S. Munsey, '38-'42, Norman, has been awarded the Air Medal for service as a bomber pilot with the Eighth Air Force in England. He recently wrote Football Coach "Snorter" Luster, under whom he played quarterback in both Norman High School and the University, that he has been on a number of raids on Berlin.

► Lt. James W. Amis, '37-'38, Hobart, pilot of a medium bomber, has been awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for service with the Air Force in the European theater of operations. He was formerly principal of Hexit Consolidated High School.

► Lt. Patrick H. Watts, '36-'40, Waurika, navigator-bombardier in the South Pacific, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to



FILMED ATTU LANDING
Navy Lt. Harold Tacker, '40fa, was decorated for meritorious conduct as officer in charge of filming landing operations on Attu.

add to his previously won Air Medal for service with the Air Force.

► Lt. Everett F. Goins, '35ba, Rocky Ford, Colorado, former director of the Port of Nisida, Italy, has received a commendation from his commanding admiral for the excellence of his work on that assignment.

Lieutenant Goins was recently transferred from Nisida to Anzio where he was in command of a beach battalion. He also participated in the action at Salerno.

► Lt. Earl C. Garey, '38-'39, Comanche, former Oklahoma state highway surveyor, received the Air Medal for "courage, coolness and skill" displayed as navigator on a Flying Fortress during five combat bomber missions over Europe.

► Lt. Alfred H. Locke, '39-'40, Eufaula, pilot and crew commander of the Liberator *Heaven Can Wait*, received the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy-occupied continental Europe. He was recently promoted to first lieutenant at his base in England.

► Lt. Paul D. Cummings, '39law, former Alva attorney, was awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in the Mediterranean theater last fall. A member of the Signal Corps, Lieutenant Cummings participated in the invasions of Sicily and Italy.

► Lt. Chester C. Kennedy, '35, Konawa, pilot of a Flying Fortress, has returned from a tour of duty in the Southwest Pacific with

an accumulation of decorations including the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, two Air Medals and a presidential unit citation.

Lieutenant Kennedy was assigned to the Army Air Forces Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida, for his next assignment.

► Lt. Col. Edward F. Stephenson, '40 m.ed, Oklahoma City, commander of a 45th Division Infantry battalion throughout the Battle of Sicily and the early days of the Italian campaign, was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries received at Salerno.

After he was injured, Colonel Stephenson was sent back to North Africa, to serve at a battle training school for young officers and later was transferred to the United States for a new assignment. He relinquished his command in Italy to Lt. Col. Quentin Spradling, '32bus, '40m.ba, Norman.

► Lt. Joseph L. West, '37-'39, Oklahoma City, pilot of a transport plane, received the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism in flight and accomplishment above and beyond the line of duty in the Southwest Pacific.

Lieutenant West has participated in more than 50 missions, dropping supplies and transporting troops over territory continually patrolled by enemy aircraft.

► Lt. Harold Tacker, '40fa, Norman, Navy photographer, was awarded the Legion of Merit for the excellence of the photographic record he made of military operations on Attu in May, 1943. The award was presented in ceremonies at sea somewhere in the Central Pacific.

Lieutenant Tacker participated in the landing on Kiska, the occupation of the Marshall Islands and the raid on Truk. Before entering the Navy, he had charge of photography at the University.

► Capt. Billy E. Carson, '38-'40, Jet, pilot of a heavy bomber, was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to add to a previously won Air Medal for bravery in action.

He took command of a formation over Burma when the flight leader, the deputy flight leader and two other aircraft in the lead group had to fall back because of engine failures. The citation stated that Captain Carson took the lead despite the fact that three generators in his plane were burned out.

► Lt. (jg) Joe D. Mitchell, '41, Navy pilot from Davidson, Oklahoma, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism and extraordinary achievement during action against the enemy in the Solomons.

Lieutenant Mitchell has participated in numerous flight missions against Japanese bases in the Pacific, and once scored a direct hit on an enemy destroyer in Kahili Harbor. On one mission he was shot down

and spent two months behind enemy lines before reaching his home base.

► Lt. Joseph D. McGovern, Jr., '41bus, Wewoka, co-pilot of a Flying Fortress based in England, was awarded an Air Medal and an Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious service with the Eighth Air Force. He was in the Field Artillery before transferring to the Air Force.

► Lt. Frank P. Hawk, '40, Norman, bombardier on the Flying Fortress *Superstitious Aloysius*, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters for his participation on 25 flying missions with the Eighth Air Force.

► Lt. Col. James E. Mills, '36eng, Norman, of the Marine Corps, received the Silver Star for conspicuous gallantry in action on Tarawa from Adm. Chester W. Nimitz in ceremonies held in the South Pacific.

Colonel Mills supervised the movement of an artillery battalion on Tarawa while under constant enemy fire. He has been in action on Guadalcanal and Tulagi and in other Pacific campaigns. His brother, Lt. John Mills, '40geol, was on duty in Africa.

► Capt. John E. Johnston, '36-'38, Oklahoma City pilot, returned to the U. S. recently with the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with eight Oak Leaf Clusters. He took part in aerial combat over Tunisia, Sicily and Italy.

► Maj. William A. Lucas, '36ba, Tuttle, was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries received in the European-African theater of war. A Field Artillery officer, he participated in the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns. In civilian life, Major Lucas was an official with the Civilian Conservation Corps at Duncan.

► Lt. John R. Couch, '40law, Pryor, was awarded the Air Medal with seven Oak Leaf Clusters for performance as a bombardier and navigator on 40 bombing missions. He recently returned to the U. S. and was assigned to the Air Forces Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida, for a new assignment.

► Lt. John W. Colby, '40-'41, Vinita, was awarded the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters for participation in bombing raids over North Africa, Italy and Sicily. He recently returned to the U. S. and was assigned to the Air Forces Redistribution Station at Miami Beach.

► Lt. J. W. Amis, '37-'38, Hobart, bombardier with a Pathfinder squadron in England, has been recommended for the Air Medal and two Oak Leaf Clusters.

Deaths in Service

Lt. Donald Davis, '41-'42, Middleton, Wisconsin, died in England of injuries received February 3 on his fourteenth bombing mission. He was navigator of the Flying Fortress *Palace of Athens* and held the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for service with the Eighth Air Force. Survivors include an aunt, Mrs. A. F. Blaschke of Middleton.

► Carl W. Staats, Jr., '42-'43, Bartlesville, aviation student in the Army Air Force, died February 4 in the Station Hospital at Fort Crook, Nebraska, of scarlet fever and pneumonia. He entered service last July and was in training at Creighton University in Omaha. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Staats, Bartlesville.

► Lt. Gene Jones, '41, Sayre, member of an Air Force Bombardment squadron, was killed on January 21 when his plane crashed in a routine take-off from his base in England. He was buried at Cambridge, England. Lieutenant Jones held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newlin Jones, Sayre, and his wife, Mrs. Mary Hampton Jones, of Oklahoma City.

► Ensign Richard H. Flynn, '35ba, '36 m.ed, Elgin, Kansas, died December 24 in the U. S. Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland, following an illness of 14 months. Ensign Flynn enlisted in the Navy in January, 1942, and received training as a radio technician at Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was stationed in the Bureau of Aeronautics in Washington, D. C., when he became ill. Before entering service, Ensign Flynn taught school at Kaw, Stigler and Mutual. Survivors include his wife and his mother, Mrs. C. H. Flynn, of Elgin, Kansas.

► Word was received of the death last November 30 of Lt. Warren H. Finley, '39bus, Pampa, Texas, who was killed in a plane crash near Kansas City, Missouri. He was

stationed there at the Air Forces Instrument Training Center. Lieutenant Finley received his commission at Ellington Field, Texas, in December, 1942. At the University he was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary business fraternity. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Bessie Finley, Pampa, Texas, and two sisters, Flora D. Finley, '36-'40, and Frances Finley, '34-'35.

► Lt. J. B. Long, '41pharm, May, Oklahoma, Army Air Force pilot who has been listed as missing in action for the last year, must be presumed to be dead, the War Department has announced. The announcement stated that nothing has been heard of Lieutenant Long since he left his base in England on February 16, 1943, for a mission over enemy territory. Lieutenant Long has been awarded the Air Medal posthumously, in recognition of the work he did with the Eighth Air Force between October, 1942, when he first went to England, and the next February. He entered the Air Force in July, 1941, shortly after graduating from the University. At O.U. he was a member of Rho Chi pharmaceutical society, Phi Delta Chi honorary pharmacy fraternity, Galen leadership society for pharmacy students and Acacia fraternity. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Long, of May.

► Lt. Lambert C. Root, '39ba, Santa Monica, California, was killed February 24 in an airplane crash in England, where he was stationed as a Field Artillery liaison pilot. Lieutenant Root entered service in November, 1940, receiving his wings in December,



HIGHEST RANKING SOONER MARINE

Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift (left), commandant of the Marine Corps, gives the oath to Col. William P. T. Hill, '32ba, at Marine Corps Headquarters, Washington, D. C. Colonel Hill was promoted to the rank of brigadier general and named quartermaster of the Marine Corps.

—Official U. S. Marine Corps Photo.

1942. He went overseas last January. Survivors include his father, J. B. Root, of Santa Monica.

Missing in Action

Lt. Harold G. Evatt, '36-'38, Shawnee, bomber pilot stationed at a Mediterranean base, was reported missing in action after failure to return from a raid over Germany February 22.

► Lt. Robert L. Whittet, '37-'41, McAlester, member of an Air Force Bombardment squadron based in England, has been missing in action over Germany since February 27.

► Lt. Joe Bishop, '37-'38, Ponca City, has been missing in action over Berlin since March 8 when he made his fifth raid over enemy territory. Before entering service, he was a laboratory technician with the Continental Oil Company.

► Sgt. Louis F. Tormohlen, Jr., '42, Oklahoma City, aerial gunner with the Air Force, has been missing in action since his failure to return from a mission over Germany on February 25.

► Lt. Everett P. Brown, '42bus, bomber pilot from Oklahoma City, has been missing in action over Germany since March 2. He was awarded the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

► Lt. Cecil M. Dorsett, '39law, Norman, member of the Air Transport Command stationed in Canada, has been missing in action with the Air Force, presumably over Labrador, since February 29. The War Department announced that search for him has been abandoned.

Mrs. Dorsett (Phila Furry, '36lib.sci, '39law), former staff member of the University Library, is an attorney for the Hercules Powder Company in Wilmington, Delaware. Lieutenant Dorsett's father, Ralph D. Dorsett, '29ba, '32ma, is assistant professor of mathematics at the University.

Injured in Service

Capt. R. G. Cates, Jr., '39pharm, Atoka, of the 45th Division, was wounded in the fighting at the Anzio beachhead on March 1. He received wounds in his left shoulder and scalp and his left eye was grazed by a piece of shrapnel.

Captain Cates was with the 45th in the fighting at Sicily, Salerno and Verno.

► Capt. James L. McDonald, Jr., '37bus, Norman, was injured in the fighting on the Anzio beachhead on March 14, his birthday. A bullet from a German plane passed through his chest, missing the heart by three-eighths of an inch.

Captain McDonald wrote his parents two days after the injury, "You should have seen the doctor's face before and after my X-ray. He couldn't believe I was alive." He was to remain in a hospital near the front until he could be transported to a base hospital.

► Lt. Col. Wayne Johnson, '30ma, formerly on the faculty of Central State College at Edmond, was wounded in action with the 45th Division on the Anzio beach-

head. Both his legs were injured by shell fragments. He was reported to be recovering satisfactorily in a base hospital.

► Lt. Melvin M. Smith, '31-'35, Oklahoma City, was assigned to McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, Texas, for treatment of wounds received in Italy where he was an observer with the Field Artillery.

Prisoners of War

For the benefit of friends of Lt. Harry Lorenzen, '42law, El Reno, a prisoner of war in Germany, who would like to write to him, his address is as follows: Prisoner of War No. 3010, Oflag No. 64, Germany.

► Lt. Jack R. Foster, '41, Chickasha, has been reported a prisoner in Germany by the International Red Cross. He failed to return from his seventh mission, escorting bombers over their target in enemy-held Europe.

► Lt. Roy D. Clem, '39-'42, Granite, missing in action in the Mediterranean theater since January 14, has been reported a prisoner of war of the German government by the International Red Cross. The Red Cross also reported that he was wounded, but could give no details. Lieutenant Clem was pilot of a Mitchell bomber based at an air field near Naples. He went overseas last summer, participating in the invasions of Sicily and Italy.

► Lt. Charles P. Ray, '39, Oklahoma City, who has been listed as missing in action over Germany since January 29, is being held prisoner in Germany, the War Department has announced.

Rescued From Sea

Lt. Leonard R. Burnett, Jr., '39-'40, Ardmore, was one of the two surviving crew members of a Marauder which crashed into

the English Channel while returning from a raid over Europe.

The plane was severely damaged by anti-aircraft fire as it left the coast of the continent and the crew members were forced to bail out into the ocean. Only Lieutenant Burnett, who was co-pilot, and the pilot survived the jump. They floated on dinghies for 74 hours before being picked up by a British seaplane.

During that time, they dodged bullets from dogfights above them, saw flashes of gunfire from a Naval engagement and were nearly hit by bombs dumped from a Liberator en route home from a raid. The men were reported not seriously injured.

► Lt. James M. Mahaffey, '40-'42, Norman, was among crew members of a Mitchell bomber rescued from the sea after the plane was forced down following a bombing mission over an enemy airdrome in the Admiralty Islands.

The crew escaped to life rafts and were spotted by two Thunderbolt pilots four hours later. Soon after that a Navy Catalina Flying Boat picked them up. Lieutenant Mahaffey received a cut on one leg in the crash landing.

Commended

Pvt. Gerald F. Keen, '39-'43, Norman, has received a commendation from the commanding officer of the Army Specialized Training Unit at the University of Delaware, Newark, for his excellent work in connection with the unit's intramural sports.

Private Keen conducted intramural contests between 20 touch football teams and 16 basketball teams composed entirely of ASTP men. The letter of commendation pointed out that Private Keen's work had been voluntary, and that it had contributed greatly to the morale of the unit.

Returns on Foot

Lt. Gene F. Adams, '40-'42, Norman, became a member of the Walk-Out Club when he was forced down in the jungles of Burma and had to walk back to his base.

The club is composed solely of fliers of the India-China Wing who have had to crash land or bail out in the jungle because of bad weather, motor trouble or enemy attack. Membership includes more than 100 pilots, some of whom have "walked out" two or three times.

Lieutenant Adams holds the Distinguished Flying Cross.

In New Battle Zone

Capt. Zale Chaffin, '36med, Army physician from Oklahoma City, was with American troops in the recent action on Los Negros Island in the Pacific. He was mentioned in dispatches filed from Salami Plantation on the islands, telling of the difficulties of getting food and water to the troops.

Before entering the Medical Corps, Captain Chaffin was a member of the Oklahoma City Health Department.



TWAIN MEET
Somewhere in New Guinea Lt. Fred C. Moore, Jr., '41bus, Oklahoma City, looks over the souvenir stock of a friend.

—U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.

Promotions

Clint T. Johnson, '19ba, Oklahoma City, commanding officer of the Avon Park Army Air Field, Avon Park, Florida, has been promoted to the rank of full colonel. Colonel Johnson, a pioneer in commercial aviation and barnstorming veteran of the early days of American aviation, holds the ratings of command pilot, combat observer and airplane observer. He served as a second lieutenant in World War I, retaining his reserve commission when the war was over. He re-entered service in 1941 as a lieutenant colonel. The Avon Park Army Air Field, which Colonel Johnson commands, covers more than 220,000 acres and includes the nation's largest bombing range. It is a final phase training base for Flying Fortress combat crews.

Recently promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel were the following: Lanson D. Mitchell, '19ba, former WPA executive in Oklahoma City, now director of services at the Aloe Army Air Field, Victoria, Texas; James H. Hammond, '37 med, former Tulsa physician with the Air Transport Command in Miami, Florida; Fratis L. Duff, '39med, Denver, chief of the department of tropical health in the School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field, Texas.

And L. H. Ritzhaupt, '21, Guthrie, physician and former state senator, Selective Service Medical officer for Oklahoma; Alfred Todd, '36bus, Chelsea, with the Air Force in the Southwest Pacific; Bill Harrison, '37law, former Oklahoma City attorney at U. S. Army headquarters in England; Luther E. Patterson, '30geol, '32ms, Oklahoma City, in the South Pacific.

And Elton W. LeHew, '30med, Pawnee, overseas with the Medical Corps; William E. Lobit, '33ba, Dickinson, Texas, with the Cavalry in the Pacific area, and Donald N. Maidt, '28-'30, Oklahoma City, who has been stationed in India for two years. Colonel Maidt was awaiting passage home when he was promoted.

New majors among the Sooners in service include the following: Lloyd W. Taylor, '41med, Hugo, Medical Corps officer in New Guinea; Joe T. Dickerson, '21law, Edmond, with the Air Force in Italy; Winston V. Cruzan, '32-'33, Oklahoma City, dental surgeon at the Army Air Field, Greenville, Texas; Robert K. Henderson, '35eng, Oklahoma City, in Australia with the Air Force.

And Holly L. Anderson, '24law, Tulsa, with the Air Force Technical Training Command at Greensboro, North Carolina; Jerome Byrd, '35eng, Oklahoma City, on duty in Memphis, Tennessee; Murray E. Gibbens, '38med, Oklahoma City, with the Medical Corps at Camp Berkeley, Texas; Raleigh Francis, '36bus, Blanchard, in England with the Ordnance.

And Donald Royle, '35bus, '35law, Elk City, Anti-aircraft gunnery instructor at Camp Haan, California; John H. Wheatley, '27eng, Tulsa, chief of the policy and publication unit of the construction utilities section at Air Service Command headquarters, Patterson Field, Ohio; Josh J. Evans, '40law, Rush Springs, at Sheppard Field, Texas.

And G. Scott Hammonds, '33eng, Oklahoma City, on duty with the Board of Economic Warfare in Washington, D. C.; John F. Cheadle, '39law, Cherokee, on foreign duty; Leonard Long, '32med, Madison, Wisconsin, at Fort Knox, Kentucky; Floyd H. Norris, '35law, Oklahoma City, Infantry officer on duty at Service Command headquarters in Los Angeles.

And Alden W. Suderman, '37eng, Chickasha, Ordnance officer on maneuvers in the California-Arizona area; Edward D. McKay, '35med, on the staff of Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; John B. Wilson, Jr., '37law, Frederick, overseas with the Field Artillery, and G. Murray Gillespie, '41geol, Fort Worth, Texas, with the Air Force in England. He and Maj. James W. (Josh) Billings, '40eng, are in the same outfit.

Alumni who have recently been promoted to the rank of captain are as follows: D. B. Pearson, '41 med, overseas with an Evacuation Hospital; William J. Dancer, Jr., '40, Bartlesville, Army Air Field, Marfa, Texas; Bob Davis, '42eng, Woodward, Fort Dix, New Jersey; Ralph D. Gahl, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, with the Air Force in Nashville, Tennessee; David Fried, '40med, Des Moines, Iowa, overseas with the Medical Corps; Charles W. Freeman, '41med, Rocky, Fort Lewis, Washington.

And Ray M. Wadsworth, '42med, San Carlos, California, Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco; Robert T. Sturm, '38med, overseas; Worden Parrish, '34-'40, Madill, overseas; W. M. Aldredge, '41med, Hobart, flight surgeon in England; Kenneth W. Webb, '42eng, Sharon Springs, Kansas, with the Air Force in England; Charles W. Giffin, '36-'41, Oklahoma City, Lowry Field, Colorado.

And Andy O. Campbell, '34eng, Oklahoma City, overseas; Emmett C. Anderson, '30, Oklahoma City, Medical administrative officer in England; Paul R. Turnbull, '29eng, Corpus Christi, Texas, with the Air Force in England; Kenneth R. Shelton, '36-'39, Hollis, Hunter Field, Georgia; Melvin Pool, '28-'29, Durant, in Italy with the Air Force.

And William W. Woolley, '36pharm, overseas with the Field Artillery; Harry P. Frantz, '41bus, Enid, in Italy; Paul L. Getzoff, '35bs, Lockbourne Army Air Base, Columbus, Ohio; Theatus Greeson, '39jour, Duncan, in Ireland with the Field Artillery; Robert E. Ragsdale, '34, '40, overseas with a Quartermaster battalion; Harlan D. Johnson, '39 law, Cushing, overseas with the Field Artillery, and Earl C. Morris, Jr., '36-'39, Waurika, on duty at the Army Air Base, Sarasota, Florida. Captain Morris recently returned to active duty after recovering from a back injury received in making a forced landing overseas. He was on foreign duty for seven months.

Promoted from second to first lieutenant were Ben G. Southward, '41-'42, Norman, flying instructor at the Army Air Field, Independence, Kansas, and George McDermitt, '42eng, Norman, in Italy with an Ordnance company.

James W. Roberts, '39-'42, Holdenville, overseas with a Signal Service battalion, has been promoted to technical sergeant. Advanced to sergeant were Paul R. Loafman, '39med, Kaw City, instructor in the Pre-flight Cadet School at Sheppard Field, Texas, and Robert B. Allen, Jr., '36, former managing editor of the *Cushing Daily Citizen*, on duty at the Cavalry Replacement Training Center, Fort Riley, Kansas. The following have been promoted to corporal: Allan O. Woolard, '31-'38, Edna, Kansas, Army Air Base, Kearns, Utah; Sam Cobean, '37, Norman, with the Signal Corps on Long Island, New York, and Wilma Jane Stafford, '39-'42, Norman, overseas with the WAC.

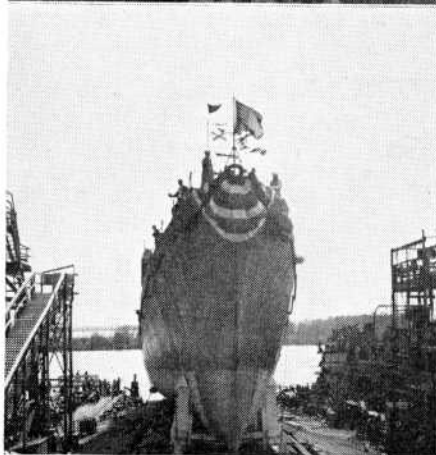
Noah Preston Wood, '36bus, Talihina, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps at his base in the Southwest Pacific. Member of the Marine Corps since graduation from the University, Colonel Wood has been overseas for nearly two years.

Gerster W. Brown, '30med, former Oklahoma City physician now overseas with the Navy Medical Corps, has been promoted to the rank of commander. He was commissioned into the Navy as a lieutenant commander in April, 1942.

Promotions to lieutenant junior grade have come recently to the following: D. G. Stowe, '39law, Tulsa, on duty aboard a cruiser; R. C. Van Vleck, '36bus, Oklahoma City, on sea duty; Thomas J. Lee, '40law, Eldorado, on sea duty; L. Raymond Dawson, Jr., '38geol, Oklahoma City, on duty in Miami Beach, Florida; Raymond M. Scraggs, '40bus, Oklahoma City, on sea duty, and Harrell McCullough, '35bus, Norman, Armed Guard officer. Lieutenant McCullough recently returned from service in Italy, where, he reported, he saw many Sooners.

Sanford H. Palmer, '41law, Oklahoma City, on duty with the Navy in the Pacific, has been promoted to chief yeoman.

Robert Huff, '33ba, Norman, on duty with the SPARS in New Orleans, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant junior grade.



SHIP CHRISTENED

Present for the launching of the U.S.S. *Naijeh* at Orange, Texas, were Mrs. Rathia Naijeh, Norman, mother of Lt. (jg) Alfred Naijeh, '40law, in whose honor the destroyer escort was named, and his two brothers, Lt. Bob Naijeh, '42, (left), now on foreign duty, and Sgt. Mitchell Naijeh, Clarinda, Iowa. The lower picture shows the U.S.S. *Naijeh* in the shipyard at Orange. Lieutenant Naijeh died in a Pacific Naval battle in 1942.

New Officers

Kenneth E. Farris, '43bus, Muskogee, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps at Quantico, Virginia. He was assigned to a two-months advanced training course at Quantico.

New second lieutenants in the Air Force, and the fields at which they received their commissions, are as follows: Bobbie L. Bernard, '42-'43, Yukon, and Charles L. Smith, '42bus, Fairview, both at Blackland Field, Texas; Jack B. Pitts, '43, Oklahoma City, Roscoe E. Norris, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, and Joseph J. Tackwell, '40-'41, Norman, all at Aloe Field, Victoria, Texas; James E. Fox, Jr., '41eng, Cambridge, Kansas, Army Air Field, Lubbock, Texas.

And Clifford L. Rea, '39-'42, Elk City, and William T. Harral, '42-'43, Erick, both at Foster Field, Texas; Edward G. Snow, '42, Willow, Oklahoma, Frederick Army Air Field; Johnson S. Miller, '43, Duncan, Pampa, Texas, Army Air Field; Jack E. Hughes, '39-'42, Altus, Eagle Pass, Texas, Army Air Field; Carl C. Ball, '35-'36, Tulsa, Altus Army Air Field; Thomas A. Fain, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, Moore, Texas, Army Air Field; Robert G. Jones, '37-'39, Oklahoma City, Foster Field, and Jack E. Brown, '43, Haskell, Pampa Army Air Field.

And James A. Fuller, '42-'43, Muskogee, Lubbock Army Air Field; Richard L. Bagggett, '38-'41, Wayne, Williams Field, Arizona; Roy G. Miller, Jr., '42, Snomac, Pampa Army Air Field; Charles M. Terry, '41, Norman, Air Force Technical Training school, University of Chicago, and James E. Fields, '40-'42, Bartlesville, Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Bennett E. Robertson, '41ba, Guthrie, received his commission in the Air Force at the Twin-Engine Advanced Flying School at Pampa. He had previously received an army commission at the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, and had been promoted to first lieutenant. He held that rank while taking flying training.

Capt. Robert K. Milburn, '39ba, Wichita, Kansas, received his pilot's wings at the Altus Army Air Field. William J. Logan, '41-'42, Tulsa, graduated at the Frederick Army Air Field as a flight officer.

Overseas

Lt. J. F. Malone, '37ba, Norman, with an Anti-aircraft unit in New Guinea, recently wrote friends in Norman a description of a baseball game he helped manage. "A few nights ago we staged one of the most unusual sports events in the Southwest Pacific," he wrote. "Before a huge crowd of enthusiastic spectators, our baseball league championship was brought to a thrilling climax in the first night ball game ever staged in this area. Searchlights threw a flood of light on the field and pierced the sky with all the flourish of a Hollywood premier. The game was reminiscent of the Big League shows back in the States, with the Artillery band furnishing martial music for the occasion.

"Grandstand vendors added a touch of comedy by passing out red hot atabrine tablets and ice cold insect repellent as substitutes for the usual popcorn and soft drinks. The publicity section was replete with photographers, reporters, public address system, and broadcasting facilities. I handled the press releases and the broadcast for the local radio station."

Lieutenant Malone also said that a short time before he had flown down to Australia on a temporary assignment with the Royal Australian Engineers at Wagga Wagga, New South Wales.

Lt. Robert E. Lewis, '41, Pryor, was among the men rescued by the Catalina flying boat *Arkansas Traveler* off Kavieng, New Ireland, recently in one of the most spectacular flying feats of the war. The Catalina made four landings and take-offs on the heavy seas under fire from Japanese shore batteries in order to rescue fifteen men from the water. Landing on the water made the ship's rivets pop, and it became badly overloaded, but the pilot managed to bring it home.

A recent column by Ernie Pyle, written in Italy, told of a sightseeing trip to Pompeii he made with Maj. Ed Bland, '34-'39, Oklahoma City, and Cpl. Harry Cowe, of Seattle, Washington. Mr. Pyle wrote, "Major Bland got fed up with flying and I got fed up with writing and Corporal Cowe got fed up with being a corporal, so the three of us said 'To hell with it' and got into Major Bland's jeep and came touring out to Pompeii. . . . We spent three hours in the ruins of old Pompeii and decided we enjoyed it, but the next time we go sightseeing we hope it can be through the less ancient ruins of Berlin."

Lt. Frank C. Sneed, '42ba, Lawton, is with the Air Force in England. A recent Associated Press photo showed him at his base just after he had returned from a

bombing mission over Frankfurt, drinking hot coffee and reading a letter from home.

Maj. Patrick H. Lawson, '29med, Marietta, is in charge of a Medical station on the Anzio beachhead in Italy.

Capt. Max K. Gilstrap, '37journal, Oklahoma City, is an associate editor of *The Stars and Stripes*, daily newspaper of the U.S. armed forces in the European theater of operations.

Tech. Sgt. Allen Nix, '27, Oklahoma City, recently went on his 25th bombing mission over Europe as engineer aboard the Liberator *Sooner Queen*, piloted by Capt. William Selvidge, '42law, Ardmore. It was the first time Sergeant Nix had flown with Captain Selvidge. Both men were in the group cited for bombing the Ploesti oil fields in Rumania last summer, and have since been transferred to the Eighth Air Force in England.

News of Capt. Robinson J. Andrews, '39-'39, Oklahoma City, was brought home recently by Lt. Douglas C. Conley, Wetumka, who was his tentmate for ten months in Sardinia. Lieutenant Conley came home on a rest leave after completing 40 combat

missions, and visited Captain Andrews' mother in Oklahoma City. He said that in Sardinia he and Captain Andrews attracted considerable attention when they painted the words "Downing Street" under the number of their tent, which was ten. During their off hours, they went sight-seeing around Sardinia on a German motorcycle.

A group of WACs in Italy who recently volunteered to give blood for wounded soldiers of the Fifth Army included Lt. Elizabeth Ray, '34ba, Oklahoma City. Twenty-two WACs gave a pint of blood each at a British Army transfusion station. Lieutenant Ray was on duty in North Africa before going to Italy.

Dispatches from Cape Gloucester, New Britain, recently told of the tactics used by Lt. William W. Bailey, '43ba, Vinita, Marine Corps officer, in defeating Japanese ambush parties in the jungle. At one time Lieutenant Bailey was leading his unit through the jungle undergrowth when he saw a man wearing a Marine helmet standing fifteen yards away, his face hidden from view. His suspicions aroused, Lieutenant Bailey challenged the man, and was answered with four hand grenades and a burst from Japanese machine guns. Lieutenant Bailey's platoon succeeded in wiping out the ambush with only one casualty.

On duty with the same Field Artillery unit in New Guinea are Maj. James L. Lain, '37bus, Oklahoma City; Maj. J. E. Boddy, '38bus, Tulsa; Capt. J. O. Givens, '38bus, Oklahoma City, and Cpl. Bernell Gilbert, '35-'38, Lawton.

Maj. Hervey A. Foerster, '27med, with the Medical Corps in England, wrote the Alumni Office that he has visited London, Liverpool, Birmingham and Scotland.

A small Sooner reunion was held recently in New Guinea when Capt. Floyd Sooy, '35-'38, and Tech. Sgt. Davis Funderburk, '32, both of Mangum, ran into each other. They are both attached to the Army Air Force, Captain Sooy as an intelligence officer and Sergeant Funderburk as a radio operator.

Staff Sgt. Kenneth G. Ward, '40fa, Lawton, in England with an Air Force Photographic Reconnaissance squadron, recently did a broadcast over BBC to the British Forces Network. Sergeant Ward has sung professionally in Oklahoma City and Chicago, where he studied at the Chicago Conservatory.

Lt. Charles P. Gotwals, '40law, Muskogee, is stationed in England as an assistant staff judge advocate. In a letter to the Alumni Office, he wrote, "The country seems full of Yanks and I have seen a lot of Sooners. . . . Most Britishers I've met don't know where Oklahoma is (one asked me if I didn't mean Indiana) and my home town of Muskogee is out of this world."

Maj. Ansel P. Challenner, '25eng, '33 m.eng, Oklahoma City, Signal Corps officer, is on the headquarters staff of ETOUSA (European Theater of Operations).

How Sooners Serve

ARMY	
Privates	972
Corporals	220
Sergeants	319
Cadets	283
Warrant Officers	37
Lieutenants	2,193
Captains	1,031
Majors	531
Lieutenant Colonels	150
Colonels	36
Major Generals	2
WACS	87
TOTAL	5,861
NAVY	
Seamen	535
Chiefs	54
Cadets	73
Warrant Officer	1
Ensigns	334
Lieutenants	389
Lieutenant Commanders	28
Commanders	10
WAVES	52
TOTAL	1,476
MARINES	
Privates	59
Corporals	4
Sergeants	13
Lieutenants	66
Captains	13
Majors	2
Lieutenant Colonels	6
Colonel	1
Brigadier General	1
Women's Branch	6
TOTAL	171
COAST GUARD	
Seamen	42
Petty Officers	4
Cadets	2
Ensigns	2
Lieutenants	4
SPARS	9
TOTAL	63
GRAND TOTAL	7,571

Army

In training at Maxwell Field, Alabama, as aviation cadets, were Donald C. Allman, '39-'42, Harold R. Miller, '40-'42, and William W. Upchurch, '40-'42, all of Norman.

Pvt. Robert W. Wheeler, '43eng, Oklahoma City, was in training with the Chemical Warfare Service at Camp Sibert, Alabama.

Capt. Jack Coleman, '34-'38, Waurika, doubled for Spencer Tracy in the flying scenes of *A Guy Named Joe*, recent picture about the Army Air Force which starred Tracy and Irene Dunne. Captain Coleman was given leave from Luke Field, Arizona, where he was assistant air inspector, to participate in production of the picture.

Lt. Paul D. Fielding, Jr., '42ba, Guthrie, was with a Field Artillery battalion at Camp Beale, California.

Stationed at Camp Cooke, California, were Lt. Jack Dundas, '39, New York City, with an Armored Signal company; Lt. D. F. Davis, '39-'42, Oklahoma City, with an Anti-aircraft battery; Pvt. James M. McCampbell, '43, Oklahoma City; Lt. John D. Richards, '30fa, '39m.ed, Anti-aircraft; Pvt. Robert E. Noland, '40-'41, Strawn, Texas, Corps of Engineers; Pvt. Leonard D. Francy, '42, Tulsa, Infantry, and Capt. Tom E. Grace, '36law, Field Artillery.

Lt. Chester Sappington, '28eng, Laverne, was on duty with the Coast Artillery at Fort Crockett, California.

Pvt. Richard L. Virtue, '44ba, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to the Replacement Control Depot of the Air Service Command in Fresno, California. Lt. Edward O. Roe, '38eng, Frederick, was on duty with the Signal Corps at Camp Pinedale there.

Frank C. Morris, '40eng, Oklahoma City, was on duty at Hamilton Field, California.

Sgt. John M. Pittman, Jr., '41-'42, Anadarko, was assigned to a Fighter Control squadron at Hammer Field, California.

Pfc. J. E. Tawney, '43, Clendenin, West Virginia, was attached to a Signal Training battalion at Camp Kohler, California.

Aviation Cadet William M. Jackson, Jr., '43ba, Roswell, New Mexico, was in training at War Eagle Field, Lancaster, California.

Capt. Floyd Graham, '29, Oklahoma City, was assigned to an Air Force Fighter wing at March Field, California. Lt. Burt E. Sheriff, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, was attached to a Bombardment group there.

Lt. Robert C. Harper, '41ba, Ponca City, was assigned to the Transportation division at Fort Mason, California.

Lt. Pren G. Hollingsworth, '42, Norman, was on duty at the Army Air Field, Merced, California.

Lt. Elmer C. Buchanan, '37-'39, Vinita, was attached to a Bombardment squadron at the Army Air Field, Muroc, California.

Capt. Estel B. McCollum, '32med, of the Medical Corps, has been transferred to the General Hospital at Fort Ord, California. With the Field Artillery there were Lt. Milton R. Moon, '43bus, Oklahoma City, and Lt. G. W. Warlick, '42ed, El Reno.



WEARS THUNDERBIRD
Former Alva attorney, Lt. Paul D. Cummings, '39law, was serving with the 45th Division in the Mediterranean theater.

Aviation Cadet John C. Walker III, '42, Bartlesville, was taking meteorological training at Pasadena, California.

On duty at Camp Roberts, California, were Lt. Max A. Pischel, Jr., '38law, Tulsa; Lt. Bill Putnam, '43ba, El Reno; Lt. Robert E. Cornish, Jr., '39-'43, Oklahoma City, and Lt. K. O. Wilbanks, '43bus, Holdenville, all Field Artillery officers. There with the Infantry were Lt. Tillman J. Johnson, '39-'41, Heresford, South Dakota, and Pvt. William C. Sneed, '42-'43, Madill.

Pvt. James B. Lloyd, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, was on duty at the Army Air Base, San Bernardino, California.

Lt. George L. Coffey, '39-'42, and Lt. Robert W. Coln, '39-'41, both of Norman, were members of an Army Air Force detachment at the Naval Air Station, San Diego, California.

Col. William C. Lewis, '18, Oklahoma City, is commanding officer of the Army Air Forces Redistribution Center at Santa Monica, California, where Air Force officers back from overseas duty are assigned for rest before being given new duties. Capt. Donald S. Will, '41eng, Oklahoma City, was assigned there upon his return from India, where he was stationed for two years.

On duty at Camp Carson, Colorado, were Capt. Cecil D. Baird, '27med, with a Medical detachment; Sgt. Coy A. Mowdy, '38law, Durant, with an Infantry unit, and Lt. Ewing Gafford, '41journal, Lawton, with a Field Artillery Pack battalion.

Maj. Olin G. Bell, '21ba, Houston, Texas, was on duty at the Army Air Base at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Capt. Edgar E. Bartlett, '36ba, Idabel, was stationed at Lowry Field, Colorado. There with a Technical School squadron was Cpl. Jerry C. Strong, '41-'43, Chickasha.

Maj. Glen W. McDonald, '34med, Altus, is on duty in the Surgeon General's Office in Washington, D. C.

Aviation Cadet John B. Hodge, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, was in training at the Air Force Technical School at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

Lt. Lowell D. Sollenberger, '41eng, Norman, was assigned to the Pratt and Whitney United Aircraft plant in East Hartford, Connecticut, as a representative of the Army Air Forces.

Lt. John K. Flowers, '41, Norman, was stationed at the Army Air Field, Dover, Delaware.

Lt. Guy McClung, '42-'43, San Antonio, Texas, is stationed at Drew Field, Florida, as navigator aboard a bomber. Lt. Sterling N. Grubbs, '41ba, Cushing, was attached to a Signal Air Warning company there.

In training at the Air Force Officer Candidate School at Miami Beach, Florida, were Edwin W. Sanford, '40-'43, Hobart; Robert W. Faulkner, '40-'43, Electra, Texas, and Jack Jacobs, '38-'42, Muskogee.

Lt. W. M. Sammons, '39-'42, Oklahoma City, and Sgt. R. T. Wyche, '38ba, Norman, have been transferred to the Army Air Field at Orlando, Florida.

Lt. Robert G. Loggie, '41bus, Wichita Falls, Texas, was attached to a Fighter squadron at the Army Air Base, Sarasota, Florida.

Lt. Boyd L. Barnett, '38bus, Ponca City, and Lt. Bill Huckin, '42ba, Muskogee, were on duty with the Air Force at Tampa, Florida.

Lt. Lee B. Spencer, '40-'41, Shawnee, was on duty in the Department of Training at Tyndall Field, Florida.

Lt. Frank J. Newkumet, '32-'37, has been transferred to Fort Benning, Georgia, with a Parachute Training regiment. Lt. Gerald S. Young, Jr., '38-'43, Duncan, was there with a Field Artillery unit.

Capt. Martin B. Schofield, Jr., '35-'38, Oklahoma City, was attached to a Bombardment squadron at Chatham Field, Georgia.

Lt. N. F. V. Barkett, '39med, formerly of Washington, D. C., member of the orthopedic branch of the Army Surgical Service, was stationed in Finney General Hospital, Thomasville, Georgia.

Capt. Emil H. Hastings, '34law, Tulsa, is assistant post judge advocate at Chanute Field, Illinois.

Lt. William T. Kritikos, '43eng, Tulsa, was with an Engineers unit at Camp Ellis, Illinois.

Maj. L. A. Sybert Johnston, '36med, former Holdenville physician, has been transferred to the Station Hospital at the Army Air Field, Dodge City, Kansas.

Aviation Cadet Walter R. Tait, '42ma, Wichita, Kansas, was in training at the Army Air Field, Independence, Kansas.

Lt. William G. McPheron, '42med, Medical Corps officer, is doing X-ray work at the Induction Station at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Pfc. Jasper K. Roberts, '43, Comanche,

has been transferred to a Field Artillery battery at Camp Phillips, Kansas.

Staff Sgt. James F. Berry, '41journ, member of an Infantry Service company, has been transferred to Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky.

At Camp Campbell, Kentucky, were Lt. E. J. Richards, '39-'42, Norman, with an Ordnance battalion, and Lt. Alan A. McDonald, '43eng, Norman, with the Field Artillery.

Lt. Wallis S. Ivy, '42bus, Duncan, was assigned to the Army Air Base at Alexandria, Louisiana, for advanced training after graduating from the Gunnery School at Kingman, Arizona. He already held his commission as a bombardier-navigator. Lt. John H. Roe, '33law, Frederick, was also on duty at the Alexandria base.

Lt. Robert W. Houghton, '39-'41, Bartlesville, was on duty at Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

Capt. Seldon D. Butcher, '23ma, Wichita, Kansas, was with the Corps of Engineers at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. Staff Sgt. Charles C. Harrell, '40m.ed, Boynton, Oklahoma, is attached to an Engineers Petroleum Distribution company there.

Capt. Howard M. Hawks, '41eng, Norman, was with a Field Artillery unit at Camp Polk, Louisiana. There with a Quartermaster Sales company was Laurence S. Guthrie, '39-'40, Clinton, technician fourth grade.

Lt. Max A. Turner, '40-'43, Cordell, Air Force meteorologist, was stationed at Selman Field, Louisiana.

In training at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, for their commissions as second lieutenants in the Ordnance are the following officer candidates:

Charles D. Axelrod, '40-'43, Cleveland, Ohio; Lewis H. Bond, '40-'43, Vernon, Texas; Morris Butkin, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Peter W. Cawthon, '40-'43, Lubbock, Texas; Roland L. Coit, '40-'43, Oklahoma City.

And Edgar L. Cralle, '40-'43, Norman; Gordon H. Dempsey, '40-'43, Blackwell; Ben Frank, '40-'43, Cheyenne; Richard R. Goodwin, '40-'43, Manhattan, Illinois; Ralph A. Herzmark, '40-'43, Ardmore; Tom Ingram, '40-'43, Fort Worth, Texas; Harold N. Keesee, '40-'43, Frederick; Maurice Lewis, '40-'43, Sayre; Eugene H. Lovering, '40-'43, Baytown, Texas.

And Duane D. Lunger, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Fred W. Lyon, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; James O. Melton, '40-'43, Hastings; Charles R. Moore, '40-'43, Hugo; Glenn P. Myer, '40-'43, Tulsa; Robert W. Oliver, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Roy D. Putty, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Fred S. Reynolds, '40-'43, Norman; Tom Scanland, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Venson Y. Stillwell, '40-'43, Holdenville; Jack H. Vestal, '40-'43, Arkadelphia, Arkansas; Kenneth R. Wasson, '40-'43, Chickasha, and Allan C. West, '40-'43, Ponca City.

Maj. Daniel I. Marker, '23med, Manhattan, Kansas, is chief of the medical service at the Station Hospital at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Pvt. Robert W. Wheeler, '43eng, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to the Chemical Warfare Laboratory School there.

Pfc. George R. Milner, '41-'43, Okmulgee, has been transferred to Camp Ritchie, Maryland.

Lt. James E. Fields, '40-'42, Bartlesville,

was on duty with the Bomber Command at Westover Field, Massachusetts.

Ralph Boggess, '27-'30, Ochelata, Oklahoma, was in training at the Judge Advocate Officer Candidate School at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Lt. C. L. Brattain, '20eng, Alton, Illinois, was an Ordnance officer on duty in Detroit, Michigan.

Lt. Marvin O. Breeding, '43bus, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi, where he is a Field Artillery officer.

Lt. E. E. Dale, Jr., '42ba, Norman, was assigned to an Infantry unit at Camp McCain, Mississippi.

If you have more recent information about any of the alumni mentioned in these news items, please notify Editor of Sooner Magazine, University of Oklahoma.

Lt. Don Machenheimer, '31-'33, Shawnee, was with a Field Artillery battalion at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Pvt. James W. Henderson, '39letters, '41ma, Norman, former secretary of the University College, was taking basic training at Camp Crowder, Missouri, preparatory to entering specialized work in the Signal Corps. Also at Camp Crowder were Lt. W. H. Jones, Jr., '28-'31, Tulsa, and Lt. Leon R. Stafford, '43eng, Hollis.

Lt. C. Harold Brand, '26-'28, Oklahoma City, has been named chief public relations officer at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He served as assistant public relations officer there for eight months before his promotion. Lieutenant Brand is a former Oklahoma City realtor.

Capt. Herbert A. Turk, '40ba, Norman, has been transferred to Kansas City, Missouri, where he is commanding officer of the Air Force College Training Detachment at Rockhurst College.

Lt. James A. Fuller, Jr., '42-'43, Muskogee, was assigned to a Troop Carrier group at the Sedalia Army Air Field, Warrensburg, Missouri. Also there was Lt. Thomas J. Warren, '40-'42, Norman.

Stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, were Lt. George P. Vlahakis, '43bus, Oklahoma City; Pfc. Owen M. Watt, '43bus, Tulsa; Lt. Edward A. Harbin, '39-'43, Borger, Texas, and Capt. R. G. Harrison, '42bus, Shawnee.

Staff Sgt. Herbert R. Antle, '33-'34, Ada, was attached to a Bombardment squadron at the Army Air Base, Harvard, Nebraska.

Capt. Louis E. Dilleshaw, '38pharm, Blanchard, was attached to a Bombardment squadron at the Army Air Field, Tonopah, Nevada.

Col. Gordon G. Bulla, '30med, Medical Corps officer attached to the Air Transport

Command, has been transferred to Manchester, New Hampshire.

Lt. C. L. Bookout, '43bus, Hartshorne, was attached to a Field Artillery battery at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

Taking advanced training at the Army Air Base, Alamogordo, New Mexico, were Lt. Bill G. Malone, '40-'41, Muskogee, and Lt. Earl E. LeVally, '42ba, Maysville.

Lt. Joseph S. Holbrook, '42-'43, Park Ridge, Illinois, was on duty at the Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Lt. Clyde Martin, '40-'42, Healdton, an Air Force meteorological officer recently commissioned in New York, was assigned to duty at the Army Air Field, Roswell, New Mexico.

Lt. Col. William Lloyd Lockett, '41ba, Norman, was assigned to the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, following his release from McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, Texas, where he was treated for a wound received in the African theater of war. With a Troop Carrier squadron at Pope Field, Fort Bragg, was Capt. H. M. Kennedy, Jr., '39-'42, Oklahoma City.

Lt. John Miskovsky, '38bus, former football coach at Capitol Hill High School in Oklahoma City, accompanied the boxing team from Camp Mackall, North Carolina, to the Golden Gloves tournament in New York this spring. Lieutenant Miskovsky was on duty with a Paratroop outfit at Camp Mackall. In training there with a Parachute Field Artillery battalion was Pvt. Jack Tapscott, '42-'43, Edmond.

Maj. John C. Farmer, '20law, Tulsa, was on duty with the Air Force Technical Training Command at Greensboro, North Carolina.

Capt. Byron P. Spears, '41eng, Louisville, Kentucky, was stationed at Seymour Johnson Field, North Carolina. In training there was Aviation Cadet Ernest M. Kraker, '41eng, Oklahoma City.

Lt. Charles A. Neal, Jr., '35-'39, Miami, has recently completed a course in depot administration and supply at the Army Service Forces depot in Columbus, Ohio. On duty at the Lockbourne Army Air Base there were Capt. L. Neil Calvert, '40bus, Rocky, and Pfc. John A. Rector, '39-'42, Fort Supply.

A memorial service was held in Purcell recently for Lt. Gus Kitchens, '38-'42, flier who was killed in action in New Guinea in April, 1942. Attending the service from Norman were Dale Arbuckle, director of athletics, and Dewey Luster, football coach. Mr. Luster spoke at the meeting. Lieutenant Kitchens was a football star at O.U. in 1940.

Lt. Harold V. Huneke, '41ma, Alva, was assigned to the Base Weather Station at the Ardmore Army Air Field. Also there was Cpl. Robert D. Alexander, '40-'43, Oklahoma City.

Aviation Cadet James E. Hope, '43bus, Lubbock, Texas, was in training at the Enid Army Air Field.

Maj. Wilburn Cartwright, '20law, McAlester, underwent an operation at Glen-



NO PAUNCHY PILOTS
Cpl. Cassius Gentry, '34, (left) O.U. All-America tackle, helps keep fliers fit at an Eighth Air Force base.

nan General Hospital in Okmulgee last month for injuries received in a jeep accident in Italy. He was on duty there as a member of the American Military Government.

Lt. Zelma J. McAllister, '40nurse, member of the Army Nurse Corps, has been transferred to the Station Hospital at Fort Sill. There with the Field Artillery were Lt. John N. Alley, '33ba, '34ma, Norman; Lt. Elmer Capshaw, '42fa, Norman; Capt. Stuart F. Brady, '36, Norman; Lt. Frank Elkouri, '43ba, Anadarko; Lt. Olbert G. Gage, Jr., '42eng, Newgulf, Texas; Lt. Richard W. Portis, '43geol, Fairfax, Missouri, and Capt. Jesse E. McDonald, '41, Kansas City, Missouri.

Assigned to Fort Sill to attend Field Artillery Officer Candidate School are the following:

Dale B. Abel, '40-'43, Tyrone; Max G. Allen, '40-'43, Norman; Ben A. Ames, Jr., '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Joe Basolo, '40-'43, McAlester; Joe K. Bass, '41-'43, Caddo; Wirt A. Batis, '41-'43, Ardmore; Howard T. Baugh, Jr., '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Theodore R. Beck, '40-'43, Bradford, Pennsylvania, and Robert K. Billings, '41-'43, Tulsa.

John M. Bingham, '40-'43, Okmulgee; Rodger D. Brightbill, '40-'43, Bethany; Joe D. Bruton, '40-'43, Kellerville, Texas; R. Wayne Carlisle, '40-'43, Laverne; William S. Chaney, '40-'43, Hugo; William C. Check, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Elmer B. Cole, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Clay N. Courter, '40-'43, Lahoma; Howard T. Craun, '40-'43, Sapulpa, and Glenn D. Dickinson, '40-'43, Prague.

Robert M. Dillon, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; John R. Ellinghausen, '40-'43, Sapulpa; Robert F. Faulkner, '40-'43, Electra, Texas; Drew V. Finley, Jr., '40-'43, Shawnee; Paul E. Fondren, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Gene Friedman, '40-'43, Wellington, Kansas, and Gilbert A. Frisbie, '40-'43, Guthrie.

Pleasant V. Furgason, '40-'43, Buffalo; David W. George, '40-'43, Cleveland; Samuel D. Haas, '40-'43, Alexandria, Louisiana; Daniel C. Hamilton, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Fred D. Harris, '40-'43, Tulsa; Winfred H. Henderson, '40-'43, Thackerville; Douglass Hendrix, '40-'43, Weleetka, and Edward Henley, '40-'43, Pond Creek.

John A. Horton, '40-'43, Meeker; Thomas D. Howard, '40-'43, Norman; Bill Ingler, Jr., '40-'43, Clinton; Douglas R. Jaeger, '40-'43, Tulsa; Harry

E. King, '40-'43, Enid; Gus J. Kiriopolos, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; John F. Krisher, '40-'43, McCurtain; Marion R. Lawton, '40-'43, Pawhuska, and Clayton E. Lee, '40-'43, Oklahoma City.

James H. Lepley, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Leslie H. Long, '40-'43, Tulsa; William E. Maltby, '40-'43, Bartlesville; John E. Marshall, Jr., '42ba, Norman; Donald L. Means, '40-'43, Wilson; John S. Miller, '40-'43, Tulsa; Charles L. Moon, '40-'43, Norman; Harry D. Moreland, Jr., '40-'43, Norman; Charles J. Murphy, '40-'43, Tulsa; Charles W. McCarty, '40-'43, Norman; Arthur M. McClelland, '40-'43, Oklahoma City, and James C. McGiboney, '40-'43, Sulphur.

James F. Nickel, '40-'43, Clinton; Glenn C. Norville, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Harold L. Osborne, '39-'43, Oklahoma City; Bruce B. Pettigrove, '40-'43, Dewey; Owen F. Renegar, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Edwin W. Sanford, '40-'43, Hobart; Sam G. Shackelford, '40-'43, El Reno; Alvin V. Shelden, '40-'43, Oklahoma City, and Alan B. Shinn, '40-'43, Alfalfa.

Vergil A. Shipley, '40-'43, Amber; Don M. Simecheck, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; John H. Smith, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; Howard M. Sowers, '40-'43, Gage; Glen R. Taylor, '40-'43, Medford; Stratford B. Tolson, '40-'43, Pawhuska; Gerald M. Tucker, '40-'43, Winfield, Kansas, and John J. Turner, '40-'43, Lawton.

Curtis E. Turney, '40-'43, Pawhuska; Clayton B. Turpin, '40-'43, Oklahoma City; David L. Walker, '40-'43, Cleveland; Jack D. Wettengel, '40-'43, Rush Springs, and Robert D. White, '40-'43, Norman.

Lt. Eldon L. Meigs, '42ba, Mutual, was stationed at Tinker Field, Oklahoma, as assistant weights and balance officer.

Lt. Herbert F. Defenbaugh, '42eng, Dewey, is attached to the Air Service Command at Will Rogers Field in Oklahoma City.

Capt. James M. Gordon, '27med, Lubbock, Texas, is on the staff of the Station Hospital at the Army Air Field at Woodward.

Staff Sgt. George Viney, '42-'43, Lawton, and Tech. Sgt. Wayne E. Larsh, '38, Pampa, Texas, were stationed at Camp Adair, Oregon.

Lt. John J. Coyle, '43med, Chandler, was in training with the Medical Corps at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Pfc. A. Truman Pouncey, '42, assistant professor of journalism on leave of absence, was stationed at Camp Reynolds, Pennsylvania, as a member of the Civil Affairs division of the Army. He recently was transferred from the University of Minnesota where he was enrolled in language, journalism and political science. He wrote, "For several months I ate in the same building with Cpl. Lou Gelfand, '42journal, and we had many an alumni banquet all by ourselves in a sea of olive drab and foreign accents." Mrs. Pouncey is with her parents in Dallas, Texas.

Navy

Bruce Chenault, '41, Tulsa, chief yeoman, took part in the recent action of Kwajalein and Eniwetok atolls, going to the Central Pacific from his base in Hawaii. After returning to Hawaii, he wrote a friend in Norman, "During my two months' junket in the Central Pacific I saw much of the sea and had many pleasant experiences aboard various ships. . . . Also, during this time our party covered practically every square foot

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Brodace Elkins, '43journ, Mangum, is taking graduate work in Chicago Theological Seminary at the University of Chicago. Other O.U. alumni enrolled there include Otis Joselyn, '39-'42; Ray Anderson, '41-'43; Parker Rossman, '41speech, and Charles Riddle, '37-'41.

Donna Greider, '43fa, Tulsa, appeared in the Tulsa Little Theater production, "Mr. and Mrs. North," in March.

HARPER-HINEY: Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Patricia Harper, '43ba, Oklahoma City, to George W. Hiney, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Miss Harper is a member of Alpha Phi sorority. Mr. Hiney is a yeoman second class stationed at the Naval Air Station, Clinton.

WHITE-LYON: Miss Peggy White and Pfc. Fred Lyon, '40-'43, both of Oklahoma City, were married February 28 in Oklahoma City. Private Lyon was stationed at Aberdeen, Maryland, in Ordnance Officer Candidate School.

SEE-McCLEAN: Miss Mary Jean See and Lt. Charles Waverly McClean, '41-'43, both of Tonkawa, were married February 28 at Salt Lake City, Utah. Mrs. McClean attended Phillips University, Enid. Lieutenant McClean was stationed at the Army Air Field, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Gar Moore, '41-'43, Oklahoma City, is currently appearing in Cole Porter's musical *Mexican Hayride* in New York City. Mr. Moore is former production manager of WNAD, O.U. radio station.

BURG-PHILLIPS: Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Nan Burg, O.U. senior from Oklahoma City, to Cadet Dudley C. Phillips, III, '40-'43, Bartlesville. Miss Burg is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. Mr. Phillips, a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, was taking pilot's training at Douglas Field, Arizona.

PHILLIPS-HEARTSILL: Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Jessie Aline Phillips, '42-'43, to Cpl. Osgood Milton Heartsill, Jr., '41, both of Ardmore. Mrs. Heartsill is employed in the supply office at the Ardmore Army Air Base. Corporal Heartsill was attending Boeing School for Airplane Mechanics in Seattle, Washington.

VARNELL-JOHNSON: Miss Virginia Lee Varnell, '41-'43, and Fred Eugene Johnson, '44eng, both of Oklahoma City, were married February 26 in Oklahoma City. The bride majored in home economics while attending the University. The couple will be at home temporarily in Oklahoma City.

GOODNOW-WHITT: Miss June Goodnow, O.U. junior, and Ensign Arthur Whit, '41-'43, both of Tulsa, were married March 1 in Tulsa. Ensign Whitt is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Eleanor Ann Wilcoxson, '43ba, Tulsa, is a translator in government service in Washington, D. C.

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Dale C. Byrd, '44eng, El Reno, was employed by Harrison, Foulhoux and Morris Ketchum, associated architects with offices in Rockefeller Center, New York City. Mr. Byrd will work on designs for a series of new servicemen's centers throughout the country. He received nation-wide recognition in student architectural competitions while attending O.U.

Beth Floyd, '44journ, Norman, has been employed as a reporter on the *Altus Times-Democrat*.

KIEHN-CALDWELL: Miss Hester Evelyn Kiehn, Pasadena, California, and Ensign John E. Caldwell, '43-'44, Oklahoma City, were married March 4 at Sulphur Springs, Texas. Mrs. Caldwell is a graduate of Pasadena Junior College. Ensign Caldwell, a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association, was stationed at Miami Beach, Florida, for sub-chaser training.

Durward McDaniel, '44, Norman, is practicing law in Oklahoma City with offices in the Colcord Building. Mr. McDaniel has completed work for a law degree from the University and will be graduated at commencement exercises in June. In addition to his practice, Mr. McDaniel serves as legal adviser for the C.I.O.

Alice Reynolds, '44journ, Copan, has been employed as assistant director of publications and the distribution of publications in the Selective Service System offices, Washington, D. C.

David J. Stark, '44eng, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, is employed as a technical assistant in the Shell Oil Company refinery at Montreal, Canada.

Alice Strong, '44he, Norman, is a student dietitian at Montefiore Hospital, New York City.



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of the major islands comprising the atolls of Kwajalein and Eniwetok. . . I've had intimate knowledge of fox-holes, assorted rations, and the mountainous heap of G.I. gear thrust upon the combatant. Have ridden in jeeps, ducks, alligators and other weirdly constructed amphibious contraptions, all of which left me either shaken, broken, or very, very wet."

In a letter to Dr. Ralph Biengfang, professor of pharmacy, DeLoyce Barton, '41, Norman, pharmacist's mate first class, stated that he set up the first pharmacy on Vella La Vella Island after American forces moved in there. Mr. Barton expected to receive the rating of chief pharmacist's mate soon, as he had passed his test with a grade of 3.57 out of a possible 4.

Lt. William A. Collier, '23-'27, former assistant county attorney of Oklahoma County, has been executive officer of a destroyer in the Mediterranean area for more than a year. He was home in Oklahoma City on leave in March, awaiting further assignment.

The following are stationed either at sea or at a Naval base overseas: Harold O. Hazen, Jr., '41-'43, radioman third class; Ensign Norman Stewart, '41geol, Mount Pleasant, Michigan; Lt. (jg) James E. Bates, Jr., '39bus, Muskogee; Lt. Stanley L. Drennan, '41med, Navy Medical Corps; Lt. Comdr. John A. Blue, '34med, Guymon; Ralph E. Williams, '35-'36, Dallas, yeoman first class; Lt. James M. Nelson, '34med, Aurora, Colorado; Ensign Frank Mullins, '40, Snyder; Lt. George L. King, '33eng, Muskogee; William L. Jones, '40-'43, Okemah, aviation radar technician second class; Robert L. Harris, '41-'43, Konawa, seaman first class; Ensign Robert N. Dawson, '42bus, Enid.

Ensign Robert D. Blinn, '42ba, Oklahoma City; Howard W. Thompson, '41-'42, Anadarko, aviation radioman second class; Ensign George E. McIver, '40ms, Moore; Ensign James H. Bragg, '36ms, Oklahoma City; Lt. Siler D. Lambdin, '33eng, Shawnee; Ensign J. Q. Adams, '41pharm, Noble; Lt. (jg) Ray Leon, '42bus, Sayre; Ensign M. T. Cochran, Jr., '39ba, Oklahoma City; Stanley R. Grimes, Jr., '43, Shawnee, seaman first class; Lt. Angus Jacks, '34-'37, Asher, and H. Milt Phillips, '22, Oklahoma City, chief electrician's mate in the Seabees.

Ensign W. T. Williams, Jr., '40bus, Ardmore, has been attending a school of indoctrination at Tucson, Arizona.

Lt. Leonard C. DeLozier, '29bs, of the Navy Medical Corps, has been transferred to Port Hueneme, California. Charles E.

Strange, '41-'42, Skiatook, was there with the Seabees.

Lt. Joe L. Duer, '32med, Woodward, member of the Navy Medical Corps, was on duty at the Marine base at Camp Pendleton, California.

Roy McCurley, '31ba, former editor of the *Sentinel Leader*, is a petty officer first class in the Seabees at Oceanside, California.

Ensign John B. Leake, '41-'44, Norman, was assigned to submarine training in San Francisco.

Ensign Billy R. Stokes, '41-'44, Shawnee, was ordered to San Francisco to await assignment to duty aboard a destroyer.

Visitors

Servicemen in the Army Air Forces and civilians connected with aviation were among visitors in the Alumni Office last month.

Those who signed the register included Lt. James T. Overbey, '43eng, Williams Field, Arizona; Lt. Harold V. Huneke, '41ma, Ardmore Army Air Field; Lt. Harry S. Culver, '40-'43, with the Air Force at Hobbs, New Mexico; Lt. Ray J. Hassler, '43ba, communications officer with the Air Force at Godman Field, Kentucky.

Josh Lee, '17ba, of the Civil Aeronautics Board, Washington, D. C.; Fisher Muldrow, '22, Ardmore, former president of the Alumni Association; Lt. Thomas A. Fain, '39-'41, Moore Field, Texas; James Robinson, '32law, faculty member at Northeastern State College, Tahlequah; Capt. Fred W. Adams, '43ba, Camp Wolters, Texas.

Lt. Charles E. Wright, '38-'42, with the Field Artillery at Camp McCain, Mississippi; Capt. C. O. Hunt, '40law, assigned to Woodrow Wilson General Hospital, Staunton, Virginia, and Mrs. Hunt, '31, Purcell; Lt. William N. Christian, '40-'42, Fort Sill; Mrs. Richard Smethers (Mima Magoffin, '43journ), McAlester.

Margaret L. Sanders, '43he, Guthrie teacher; Lt. Paul N. Haskett, '41eng, '42m.eng, and Mrs. Haskett (Virginia Lee Mitchell, '43fa), Bartlesville; Gene O. Sinex, '39eng, Oklahoma City; David Wood, '43, former *Daily Oklahoman* and *Tulsa World* reporter; Beth Floyd, '44journ, reporter on the *Altus Times-Democrat*; Pvt. Otto W. Walter, II, '43, Camp Reynolds, Pennsylvania.

Ensign C. W. Hendrickson, '44bus, Oklahoma City; John Loeffler, '43eng, formerly with Pan-American Airways at Brownsville, Texas; Sam Johnson, '42chem, and Mrs. Johnson (Elizabeth Mansfield, '39-'42), Pryor; Lt. Robert N. Starr, '43bus, and Mrs. Starr, Fort Sill; Ensign Oliver E. Benson, '32ba, '33ma, and Mrs. Benson (June Tompkins, '37ba), Oklahoma City.

Lt. Frank Elkouri, '43ba, Fort Sill; Lt. Gerald S. Young, '38-'43, with the Armored Forces at Fort Knox, Kentucky; Katherine Poulos, '44fa, Muskogee; Lt. John E. Carson, '32, dental officer at the Naval Air Technical Training Center near Norman, and Paul Updegraff, '30law, former Norman attorney now in the Navy.