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AT THE FORMAL military ceremony somewhere in China observing the first anniversary of the Chinese-American Wing of the 14th Air Force, Maj. Garner G. Coliums, '19ba, Chickasha, read the order of the day from the commanding general. Those present at the ceremony included General Chow-Chi-Jou, commander of the Chinese Air Force, General Chennault, 14th Air Force commander, and other high-ranking American and Chinese officers.

Major Collums, who has served part of the time during his assignment in China as wing commander of an Air Base, was previously in similar service in India. Before entering the Air Force, he was business manager of Oklahoma College for Women at Chickasha, a position he held for 20 years. He went overseas in the summer of 1943 as executive officer of a fighter squadron.

Deaths in Service

▶ Lt. Edward R. Bowlby, '35-'37, Oklahoma City, was killed in an accident at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, on November 24. The nature of the accident was not disclosed. He was attached to an Armored division at Camp Chaffee. Before entering the Army Lieutenant Bowlby was an employee of the federal government in Washington, D. C. He was a member of Phi Delta Phi honorary law fraternity. Survivors include his wife, the former Rosemary Spears, '38fa, three children, Edward R., Jr., William and David, and his mother, Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, all of Oklahoma City.

▶ Lt. G. Don Hille, '41-'43, Tulsa, was killed in action on November 8 in France, where he was pilot of a P-47 fighter plane. Lieutenant Hille enlisted in the Air Force in April, 1943. A student in the College of Engineering at the University, Lieutenant Hille was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. H. L. Hille, Tulsa, and three brothers, Lt. Col. H. L. Hille, '30-'31, New Guinea, Lt. C. D. Hille, '41ba, with the Air Force in England, and J. W. Hille, member of the Seabees in the Pacific.

▶ Pfc. Sidney F. Ditmars, Jr., '42-'43, Muskogee, was killed in the recent Leyte fighting in the Philippine Islands. He was with an Infantry company attached to the 96th Division. At the University Private Ditmars was a student in the University College. Survivors include his parents, S. F. Ditmars, '17, and Mrs. Ditmars (Jewell Risinger, '19ba), Muskogee.

▶ Robert M. Kersey, '38eng, Oklahoma City, civilian pilot with the Army Ferrying Service, was killed in the crash of an Army transport plane at the Omaha, Nebraska, municipal airport on December 7. Seventeen pilots were killed in the crash, which occurred when the plane apparently had engine trouble after reaching an altitude of 700 feet after the takeoff. Destination of the transport was Cimarron Field, Oklahoma, where most of the pilots were stationed. Mr. Kersey joined the Ferrying Service in 1942. Previously he was associated with the Otis Elevator Company in Oklahoma City. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kersey, and his wife, Mrs. Ruth Jarrett Kersey, all of Oklahoma City.

▶ Pfc. Robert W. Lessert, '36, Ponca City, was killed in action with the Seventh Army in France on November 4. He was earlier reported missing in action. Private Lessert entered the Infantry in December, 1942. Before that he was employed at the Darr School of Aeronautics in Ponca City. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Lessert, Ponca City, and his wife, Mrs. Dorothy June Lessert, Bartlesville.

▶ Capt. John W. Kayser, '38journ, Chickasha, was killed on November 14 while fighting near Metz with the 95th Division of the Third Army. Captain Kayser went overseas last August after training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Camp Swift, Texas, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and in California desert maneuvers. Before entering the Army he was associated with his father in the publication of the *Chickasha Star*. In 1938 he was one of a group who sailed to Point Barrow, Alaska, to erect a monument at the scene of the crash in which Will Rogers and Wiley Post were killed. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Captain Kayser's survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kayser, Chickasha; his wife, Mrs. Sarah Askew Kayser, and their daughter, who live in Amarillo, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Gilbert, '32ba, Duncan, and Mrs. Louise Fortson, '34ba, Chickasha, and a brother, Pvt. Robert Kayser, '42, in England.

▶ H. Mark Sponseller, '40-'41, North Canton, Ohio, was killed in action in France on August 6. He was an Infantryman attached to the 83rd Division. Mr. Sponseller entered service in November, 1942, and trained at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, and Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky, before going overseas last April. At the University he was a student in the College of Arts and Sciences. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Mary Sponseller, North Canton.

▶ Lt. George V. Rollow, '39-'41, Wynnewood, was killed November 17 in a plane crash south of Wynnewood while on a routine flight from

Will Rogers Field, near Oklahoma City. Lieutenant Rollow entered the Air Force in January, 1942, receiving his wings last September 7 at La Junta, Colorado. At the University he was a student in the College of Business Administration. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garner Rollow, Wynnewood, and a brother, Capt. Garner Rollow, Jr., '37-'41, Fort Riley, Kansas.

▶ Staff Sgt. Guy N. Matlock, '28-'29, Sherman, Texas, died of a tropical disease on October 18 in New Guinea. Sergeant Matlock went overseas last spring after training at Camp Wolters and Fort Bliss, Texas, and Camp Gruber. Before entering the Army he was employed with the Cities Service Oil Company in Bartlesville and the Petroleum Towers Corporation in New York. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Matlock, Sherman.

▶ Sgt. Samuel Willis, '34-'35, formerly of Hartford, Connecticut, was killed in action in Europe on September 28. Before entering the Army he was head of the cost accounting system at the Colt Firearms Company in Hartford. In addition to O. U., Sergeant Willis attended the University of New Hampshire in Durham. He was graduated from high school in Hawaii. Sergeant Willis was a skilled athlete, specializing in football, basketball and track.

Missing in Action

Lt. Jack S. Callaway, Jr., '40-'43, Oklahoma City, has been listed as missing in action since his failure to return from a bombing mission over Yap Island in the Pacific on July 15. Lieutenant Callaway was co-pilot of the plane, a B-24, which was forced down at sea because of a fuel shortage. The mission had been completed and the plane was on the way home when the engines failed and the pilot, Lt. Gayle Kizer, '39, Apache, had to make a landing on the water. The force of the crash buckled the plane and it sank immediately. Members of the crew swam clear of the wrecked plane and climbed on life rafts. Two days later two of the rafts were sighted by a Navy Catalina flying boat and the men, including Lieutenant Kizer, were picked up. The other raft, with Lieutenant Callaway on it, has not been found.

▶ Lt. Louis L. Surber, '37-'40, Norman, pilot of an A-20 bomber, has been missing in action over Italy since November 18. Lieutenant Surber, who went overseas last May and had completed 49 missions at last report, holds the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, and a Purple Heart.

▶ Capt. Don L. Sutliff, '40, Blackwell, has been reported missing in action in the South Pacific. A fighter pilot, Captain Sutliff has twice before been missing but has been found and returned to his base each time. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star and an Air Medal.

▶ Lt. Robert O. Douglas, '38-'39, Tulsa, has been missing in action over Holland since September 17. He was bombardier aboard a B-17. Lieutenant Douglas trained as a cadet at Hemet and Victorville, California, and joined a combat crew at Alexandria, Louisiana, for advanced training before going overseas.

Injured in Service

Capt. Nicholas A. Tinker, Jr., '40eng, Hobart, was included in a list of wounded in action released December 1. Captain Tinker is with the Armored Field Artillery in the European theater. No details were made known as to the extent or nature of his injury.



SHORT GRASS REUNION

Congressman Victor Wickersham, of the seventh Congressional district, visited Lt. Frank Spence, '41journ, Sayre, while in England on a war front tour.

► Lt. William C. Woodward, '42zool, Norman, was wounded in action in France on November 11. He is an officer with the Field Artillery. No details about his injury were released.

► Pvt. William N. Kinney, '43, Tulsa, was wounded slightly while fighting in Germany on November 20. Holder of the expert Infantryman's badge, Private Kinney went overseas last October.

► Pfc. William W. Jamar, Jr., '43, Tulsa, member of the Infantry, was wounded in action in Germany on November 18. His injury was reported to be slight.

► Lt. Robert C. Craig, '43, Shawnee, was a patient in Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Texas, recovering from injuries received in a plane crash last summer.

Prisoners of War

A message from Maj. Ralph W. Hubbard, '32 med, former Oklahoma City physician now a prisoner of the Japanese government, which was sent out on a Japanese propaganda radio program, was intercepted by government monitors and sent to his wife by the provost marshal. The message stated that Major Hubbard has received some letters and packages from his family, and that he was all right.

► Lt. Norman M. Barker, '40, Norman, paratrooper who was reported missing in action as of September 17, is a prisoner of war of the German government. Lieutenant Barker was taken prisoner after the invasion of Holland. He earlier participated in the Normandy invasion, returning to England to take a pathfinder's course before going into Holland.

► Lt. Carl W. Remy, '40-'43, Oklahoma City, is a prisoner of the German government, having been captured September 28. He had been overseas since August as an Air Force bombardier.

► Lt. Marshall Hanna, '40-'41, Oklahoma City, is a prisoner of war in Germany. Pilot of a P-39, he was captured on September 17. Lieutenant Hanna went on foreign duty with the Ninth Air Force last May.

Back From Battlefronts

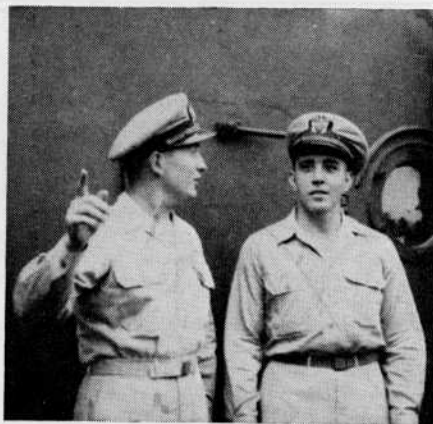
Maj. Edgar Baxter, '33eng, former Oklahoma City engineer, returned from foreign service and was assigned to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill for advanced training. He was overseas for two and a half years, serving in Ireland, England and France.

► Lt. Col. Jay Sherman, '25-'29, Lexington, returned to the United States last fall after spending three years in Africa, Italy and France. Colonel Sherman was with the Field Artillery.

► James Jackson, '40-'42, Chickasha, has been promoted to chief yeoman in the Navy. He recently was home on leave after completing eight round trips across the Atlantic as secretary to the commander of a division of destroyer escorts.

► Tech. Sgt. E. Wayne Hartpence, '40, Sayre, has returned to the United States after 14 months overseas. He is the holder of the French Croix de Guerre, an Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters, the Order of the Purple Heart and two Presidential Unit Citations. Sergeant Hartpence completed 279 hours, comprising 62 missions, in combat operational flying in the Mediterranean theater. He was gunner and photographer aboard a B-26 Marauder. Upon his return to this country, Sergeant Hartpence was sent to the Air Force Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida.

► Capt. Joe H. Powers, Jr., '38, Tulsa, has returned to this country after flying 89 combat missions as pilot of a P-47 based in England. Holder of the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Captain Powers was stationed at Abilene, Texas, upon his return. He shot down 15 German planes while he was on foreign duty.



MEET ON LST

Lt. (jg) Mack Hiatt, '42ba, (left) and Lt. (jg) Carlton McKinney, '42 eng, lived across the alley from each other in their senior year at O. U. but didn't get acquainted until they were assigned to the same LST. They are shown aboard the ship of which Hiatt is executive officer and McKinney engineering officer.

► Maj. James L. Lain, '37bus, Oklahoma City, has returned to this country from the Southwest Pacific, where he was stationed for 20 months with the Field Artillery. Holder of the Bronze Star, Major Lain reported to Miami Beach, Florida, for reassignment.

► Lt. Warren Myers, '40, Norman, was in the United States last fall on a 30-day leave from his duties with the 45th Division in France. An officer in the battalion commanded by Lt. Col. Hal Muldrow, '28bus, also of Norman, Lieutenant Myers saw action in Italy and Sicily before going to France.

► Lt. Field Duskin, '37-'41, Oklahoma City, spent a leave at home recently, having returned to the United States after nearly three years of service in England, Africa and Italy.

► Lt. Col. Evert E. Stong, '34eng, Oklahoma City, veteran of action in Tunisia, Sicily, France, Belgium and Germany, and holder of the Silver Star, is back in the United States on duty in the operations division of the War Department in Washington, D. C.

► Maj. Francis Mills, '32-'37, Oklahoma City, spent a 30-day leave at home upon his return to the United States from France, where he was a Field Artillery officer with the First Army under General Bradley. Major Mills was on foreign duty for a year and wears three major campaign stars. He was to report to Washington, D. C., for duty.

► Sgt. Earl F. Perry, '42, Tulsa, was back in the United States after serving with the Marines in the Southwest Pacific since March, 1943. He was on Guadalcanal for five months, and has also seen action at New Georgia and in the Bismarck Islands.

► Maj. Edwin R. Page, '38eng, '40m.eng, Norman, has returned to the United States after serving 12 months as an Ordnance officer with the Eighth Air Force in England. He was sent to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, upon his arrival in this country.

► Capt. Mark H. Donovan, '32-'34, spent an emergency furlough at his home in Oklahoma City last fall due to the death of his father, D. E. Donovan. Captain Donovan reported back to his post in a Station Hospital on the island of Trinidad at the end of his leave. He has been in Trinidad nearly two years, doing work mainly in the field of tropical medicine. He received his degrees from St. Louis University and Notre Dame.

► Lt. Louis Gresham, '42, Guthrie, was a

patient in Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, after being wounded in action in the European theater of war.

► Cpl. Otis Schellstede, '41, Blackwell, wounded in combat in the European theater, was a patient in Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Before entering O. U., Corporal Schellstede was a member of the 1941 all-state high school football team.

► Lt. Jack G. Barker, '37-'40, Norman, has been ordered back to duty inside the continental United States by the War Department under the policy of returning men when their families have already had losses in the war. One of Lieutenant Barker's brothers, Maj. Forrest H. Barker, '34-'40, has been missing in action with the Air Force in Italy since last April, and another, Lt. Norman M. Barker, '40, is prisoner of war in Germany. Lieutenant Jack Barker was attached to an Infantry unit overseas.

Decorations

Lt. Col. Wendell J. Kelley, '37-'40, Lexington, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement in aerial flight over enemy-occupied Europe. Colonel Kelley, who also holds the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, is pilot of a P-51 Mustang attached to a fighter group which recently shot down 100 German planes in a ten-day period. Earlier, the same group set a distance record for British-based fighters by escorting heavy bombers on a 1,600-mile round trip to targets in Poland.

► An Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters has been awarded to Capt. Thomas N. Keltner, '39-'42, Tishomingo, who has flown 64 combat missions as pilot of a twin-engine bomber based on Corsica with the 12th Air Force. Captain Keltner has been on missions over Rome, Florence, Toulon, Marseilles and Bologna.

► Lt. (jg) Everett J. Athens, '41law, Tulsa, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious conduct and heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Middle East last May. The presentation of the medal was made following retreat at an Army post near Cairo, Egypt, where Lieutenant Athens was stationed with the Naval Strategic Services. Since receiving the award Lieutenant Athens has returned to the United States, having been overseas for more than a year.

► Lt. Edward G. Snow, '42, Willow, Oklahoma, has been awarded an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as co-pilot of a Liberator bomber in the Mediterranean area. He has participated in more than 40 missions since going overseas last July.

► Lt. Charles L. Smith, '42bus, Fairview, has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial action against the enemy in the Mediterranean theater. Since going overseas last August he has taken part in 15 missions.

► Tech. Sgt. Harry J. Hendricks, '41bus, Oklahoma City, home last fall after a tour of duty with the Air Force in England, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters and a Presidential Unit Citation. Sergeant Hendricks participated in the invasion of Normandy.

► A Presidential Unit Citation has been awarded to the Eighth Air Force Fighter group to which Capt. Victor H. Croxton, '29law, Norman, is attached as intelligence officer. The citation was given for the extraordinary heroism, gallantry, determination and esprit de corps exhibited by the Fighter group during the period from March 5 to April 24, 1944, when its P-51 Mustang pilots destroyed 323 German planes, 189 in aerial combat and 134 by strafing.

► Lt. Leroy G. Lewin, '33-'39, Tulsa, has been

awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for shrapnel wounds he received during the landing on Hollandia, New Guinea. He has recovered from his injuries and has returned to active duty. Lieutenant Lewin has been overseas since September, 1943.

► Maj. Oscar Stegall, Jr., '41eng, Seminole, has been awarded a Bronze Star for meritorious service in action. The citation accompanying the medal stated that Major Stegall was responsible for the supply of all ammunition for the Fourth Armored Division during the Normandy and Brittany campaigns and the division's present combat. "During the fighting south of Avranches," the citation said, "Major Stegall traveled with the ammunition trucks to insure their safe arrival at their destination. He led the columns through strafing and bombing at the Avranches bridge and over the little-used roads skirting Avranches, rather than direct that the Truck company make the trips without division representation." While Major Stegall is overseas, Mrs. Stegall and their daughter Becky are living in Sallisaw.

► Lt. Sidney P. Upsher, '41-'42, Oklahoma City, has received the Air Medal for his work as pilot of a B-17 with the 15th Air Force in Italy. He flew his first mission last September over Belgrade.

► Maj. Isaac N. Taylor, '40eng, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for participating in bombing missions against German installations in Europe. A command pilot, he was promoted to major last spring.

► Capt. J. C. Grimes, '40journ, Oklahoma City, who was recently awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in action, is officer in charge of the *Beachhead News*, a GI newspaper started at Anzio and subsequently published on the front lines in Italy and France. The paper serves the Sixth Corps, composed of the Third, 36th and 45th Divisions. Before entering the Army Captain Grimes was Boy Scout executive for a West Texas district.

► Lt. Robert J. Standerfer, '39, Norman, has been decorated with the Bronze Star for valorous conduct in action with the Third Infantry Division in Sicily. Lieutenant Standerfer is now fighting with the Third in France.

► Maj. William H. James, Jr., '38geol, Kansas City, Missouri, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious service with a Liberator squadron of the 15th Air Force. Recently appointed commanding officer, he previously served 10 months as its operations officer, and has flown 46 missions against the enemy in the Balkans, northern Italy and Germany. He also holds the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

► Lt. Lester W. Morris, '35-'36, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in Eighth Air Force bombing raids on vital German industrial and military centers. Lieutenant Morris is co-pilot of a B-17.

► Capt. Charles W. Cleverdon, '33bus, Oklahoma City, has been awarded a Bronze Star for meritorious service in action as intelligence officer with a Field Artillery battalion in Sicily and Italy. The accompanying citation stated that he was responsible for the excellent state of training of all personnel in combat intelligence, counter-intelligence and censorship requirements. Captain Cleverdon is attached to the 45th Division.

► Lt. William H. Buchan, '34ba, Tulsa, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action as a member of the Navy Medical Corps in the Southwest Pacific. He recently returned to the United States after serving for 20 months overseas, seeing action in the Solomon and Marianas Islands. Just before he came back to this country he was attached to a Marine battalion on Guam.

► An Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal held by Flight Officer William Pustilnik, '39-'41, Long Beach, Long Island, New York. He is bombardier aboard a Flying Fortress attached to the Eighth Air Force. His Flying Fort-

ress group led the first American bombing attack on Berlin.

► Maj. Jeff G. Ray, '35eng, Lubbock, Texas, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in France as an air observer with the Field Artillery. On September 27, Major Ray directed fire and maneuvers against enemy tanks with great effectiveness. Major Ray was earlier awarded the Air Medal for distinguished service as an air observer. He left his regular duties as executive officer of an Artillery battalion to become an air observer.

► Lt. Col. Varley H. Taylor, '32law, Tulsa, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service as commander of a Field Artillery unit during the period from July 22 to October 27, 1944, in England and France. The award was given for Colonel Taylor's leadership during the training period preparatory to combat as well as during the actual fighting. His unit has made an impressive record as part of the Third Army in France. Colonel Taylor has been on duty since late in 1940.

► The third Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. John W. Paul, '41-'42, Tulsa, for courage, coolness and skill during bombing attacks on Germany. Lieutenant Paul is pilot of a Flying Fortress attached to the Eighth Air Force.

► Lt. Robert B. Click, '42-'43, Nowata, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in bombing attacks upon German military and industrial targets. He is co-pilot of an Eighth Air Force Flying Fortress.

► Lt. John W. Coyle, Jr., '41-'43, Oklahoma City, has received an Oak Leaf Cluster to add to the Air Medal he was previously awarded. Lieutenant Coyle is co-pilot of a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force.

► Capt. W. B. Armstrong, '40geol, Tulsa, was awarded a Bronze Star for his part in the battle of Rome. A Field Artillery officer, Captain Armstrong was formerly a geologist with the Mid-Continent Petroleum Company in Tulsa.

► Lt. William V. Amrein, '39-'42, Noble, has been awarded the Air Medal for his work as a fighter pilot during the invasion of the Marianas Islands. He took part in strafing and dive-bombing attacks on Japanese forces on Tinian,



ON LONGEST ROUND TRIP
Lt. Col. Wendell J. Kelley, '40, Mustang pilot, helped set a distance record for British-based fighters escorting heavy bombers on a 1,600-mile round trip to targets in Poland.

Guam, Pagan and Rota as a member of the Vampires squadron of the Seventh Air Force.

► Maj. Andrew Dee Pickard, '37-'41, Norman, has been awarded a Silver Star and a Bronze Star for the excellence of his work as an Armored Field Artillery officer with the Third Army in France. He also holds the Purple Heart. Major Pickard has been overseas for more than a year.

► Lt. Col. George S. Bozalis, '35med, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Bronze Star and recommended for the Legion of Merit for his work with an Evacuation Hospital in France. The citation particularly mentioned Colonel Bozalis' superior professional ability and untiring devotion to duty during the period from August 1 through September 18. The hospital to which he was attached cared for wounded men of the Third Army. Since that time he has been transferred to the command of a Field Hospital in France.

► The Silver Star has been awarded to Capt. John J. (Jack) McCafferty, '41bus, Ponca City and Oklahoma City, for gallantry in saving a fellow officer's life in France at the risk of his own life. Captain McCafferty was one of an advance group entering a French village when one of the American tanks was hit by a shell. He saw a wounded man fall from the tank and ran to drag him out of the way although the area was under fire from four German tanks. He cared for the officer's wounds until the medics arrived. Captain McCafferty holds the Purple Heart. He has been at the head of an Armored column driving through France since last summer.

► Lt. Victor P. Farris, '43, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as navigator aboard a Flying Fortress over Europe. Lieutenant Farris received his commission at the Army Air Field at Hondo, Texas.

► Maj. Joseph H. Kennedy, '29law, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement as a Field Artillery officer in the European theater of war. Overseas for more than a year, Major Kennedy has seen action in Belgium, France and Holland. Before entering the Army he practiced law in Muskogee.

► Lt. Warren J. Bale, '43eng, Lodge Pole, Nebraska, is a member of a Liberator bomber squadron of the 15th Air Force which has been given a Presidential Unit Citation with a bronze Cluster for "outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy." Lieutenant Bale is a navigator.

► An Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Lester W. Morris, '35-'36, Norman, co-pilot of a Flying Fortress attached to the 95th Bombardment group of the Eighth Air Force.

► Capt. Thomas M. Miller, '42, Oklahoma City, has been decorated with the Bronze Star for meritorious service as a Field Artillery liaison officer with the Third Army in France. The award was made for his efficient handling of the fire of his battalion during the fighting around St. Lo last summer. Captain Miller has been overseas nearly a year.

► Sgt. Doris Clay Robinson, '27-'28, Altus, who was home on leave from foreign duty recently, has been honored by the French government for her work in connection with the establishment of storage facilities for pipelines set up in Southern France during the Allied invasion. She was given the decoration, a leather plaque with gold crossed torches, at the same time one was given to her commanding officer, Col. G. H. Vogel, head of the petroleum section. Sergeant Robinson was in the first contingent of WACs to go to North Africa two years ago. She was to return to her overseas post as soon as her leave was up soon after the first of the year.

► Maj. Al D. Sims, '39bus, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Legion of Merit for the excellence of his work as a Field Artillery officer in France. Major Sims and Capt. William K. Garnett, '37law, also of Oklahoma City, were officers of the honorary gun crew which fired the 100,-

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000th combat round fired by the 634th Field Artillery battalion, to which both are attached. Those rounds of ammunition were fired by the battalion during 320 days of combat in Sicily, Italy and France. Major Sims and Captain Garnett have both been with the battalion since the Sicilian campaign. Captain Garnett also took part in the North African invasion.

► Lt. John R. Naeher, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in France. Lieutenant Naeher is commander of an Infantry company with the 45th Division. No details were released as to the extent of his injury.

► Lt. George A. Meacham, Jr., '40-'42, Clinton, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross with two Oak Leaf Clusters and an Air Medal with three Clusters for his work with the 14th Air Force in China. Lieutenant Meacham has 103 missions as pilot of a fighter plane to his credit. He was home on leave in December, but expected to return to China.

► The Order of the Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to Lt. Harrell Q. Quattlebaum, '41-'42, Chickasha, who was killed in action over Sardinia on August 9. Lieutenant Quattlebaum was pilot of a Marauder bomber.

► The second and third Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Fred A. Huston, '43, Oklahoma City, bombardier on a Flying Fortress attached to the Eighth Air Force.

► Maj. Murble H. Pearson, '38med, Spearman, Texas, has received the Bronze Star for meritorious action in France on D-Day as a member of the Medical Corps. He is attached to the First Army.

New Officers

Walter R. West, '41fa, Kansas City, Missouri, has been commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve and assigned to duty on Treasure Island, San Francisco. He was formerly a printer third class. Others who have been commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve are Marvin (Jack) Hogg, '42-'43, Lake Creek, Oklahoma, at Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Kenneth V. Doughty, '44eng, Martha, who was ordered to the Indoctrination School at the University of Arizona in Tucson; Jerrold A. Johnsen, '41-'44, Oklahoma City, assigned to a Construction battalion at Camp Parks, California, and Don R. Bolton, '44, Seminole, who is now on sea duty.

Among those commissioned second lieutenants in the Army Air Force were Clifton M. Speegle, '41ed, Oklahoma City, former O. U. football star; Don E. Welch, Jr., '40-'41, Madill, and Jack B. Hermansorfer, '41-'42, Drumright, both at Luke Field, Arizona; James O. Worell, '40bus, Hollis, Navigation School, San Marcos, Texas, and Fred Cobb, Jr., '44, Norman, at the Bombardier School at Big Spring, Texas. Lieutenant Cobb received an award as the best athlete in his class when he was commissioned. His father, Fred Cobb, '23eng, is a former O. U. track star.

Robert M. Helton, '33ba, Grandfield, and Gordon G. Marcum, '37-'38, Ada, have graduated as flight officers from the Air Transport Command Training School at Ellington Field, Texas.

J. Horace Davis, '42geol, Mountain View, in Iran with a Railway Operations battalion, has been commissioned a second lieutenant direct from the ranks.

William Morris, '43, Oklahoma City, and Sid Dunken, '31, Dallas, were graduated from the Marine Corps School at Quantico, Virginia, recently as second lieutenants. Lieutenant Dunken was assigned to duty at Camp Pendleton, California.

Promotions

John A. Way, '31bus, Prague, who has been in the Air Force for more than ten years, has been promoted to full colonel. Colonel Way entered training with the Air Force at Randolph Field in March, 1932, receiving his commission

in February, 1933. He has been stationed at numerous fields in this country, served a tour of duty in North Africa, and was most recently stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The following have been promoted to lieutenant colonel: Francis S. Livermore, '36bs, Amarillo, Texas, Ordnance officer at a base depot in Brisbane, Australia; Edward F. Hubbard, '38 bus, Frederick, with the Air Force overseas; Lloyd J. Martin, '38-'40, Wichita, Kansas, commander of a heavy Bombardment squadron with the Eighth Air Force; James W. Billings, '40eng,

The Alumni Office urgently requests the co-operation of all alumni in securing as complete data as possible on University casualties of this war. If you have any information about a Sooner who has died in service, is missing in action or a prisoner of the enemy, please send all the facts you have IMMEDIATELY to War Records Secretary, Alumni Office, University of Oklahoma.

Norman, overseas with an Air Service Command; James D. Fellers, '36law, Oklahoma City, Air Force Intelligence officer in Europe.

Louis E. McCarter, '36bus, Pond Creek, with the Air Force in the South Pacific; Hawley C. Kerr, '25law, former attorney with the Skelly Oil Company in Tulsa, on duty at Buckley Field, Colorado, as post judge advocate; T. Garrett Logan, '23law, Tulsa, on duty in the contact inspection division of Air Force headquarters in Washington, D. C.; Byron E. Williams, '34ba, Fairfax, with the Field Artillery at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and John T. Cooper, '36ba, We-woka, commander of a Parachute Field Artillery battalion in France. Colonel Cooper has rejoined his battalion after recovering from a foot injury. He took command of the unit when its previous commander, Lt. Col. Hugh A. Neal, '27bs, Ada, was injured in action and returned to this country. Colonel Neal was assigned temporarily to Fort Sill.

Promoted to major were the following alumni: Ab D. Walker, '33phys.ed, Tonkawa, with the Military Police at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Sam Gribi, '21-'22, Chickasha, on duty at the Army Air Base, Pueblo, Colorado; Glenn H. Staley, '37 law, in the Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C.; Olin W. Jones, Jr., '40ba, Altus, who is serving his second tour of duty in the Pacific with the Marine Corps; Gail C. Aldridge, '38, in France with the Field Artillery; Gordon G. Murphy, '32-'36, Norman, overseas with the Field Artillery; Ralph W. Wolverton, '35eng, overseas with the Field Artillery, and James B. Bratton, '39-'40, former news editor of the *McAlester Democrat*, now a member of the Inspector General's department with Seventh Army headquarters in France.

Recently advanced to the rank of captain were Marcus H. Smythe, Jr., '32-'33, Oklahoma City, overseas with the Medical Administrative Corps; Paul O. Waggoner, '36-'38, Ponca City, at the Air Force Navigation School, Hondo, Texas; Richard G. Renz, '37-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas with the Air Force; John F. Binkley, '40eng, Oklahoma City, at North Camp Hood; Texas, with the Field Artillery.

Ben H. Barbour, Jr., '26-'31, Norman, Medical Corps officer at the Army Air Field, Coffeyville, Kansas; William C. Wallace, '36-'38, Oklahoma City, flight leader of an A-20 group in the Southwest Pacific; Finis E. Hendrick, '41eng, Tuskahoma, Selfridge Field, Michigan; R. O. Herigstad, '42eng, Minot, North Dakota, with an Ordnance company at Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Crawford D. Bennett, Jr., '32law, Oklahoma City, overseas with the Chemical Warfare Service; Samuel J. Storm, Jr., '37-'40, Nor-

man, on duty at a training post for Chinese soldiers in India.

Owen Townsend, '40law, Marietta, on duty in the legal office at the Army Air Base, Salinas, California; Fred T. Hargrove, '34med, Stillwater, on the staff of Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado; Harry J. Stockman, '41eng, Wichita, a flight control officer on duty with the Air Force in Colorado Springs, Colorado; Charles W. Allen, '42law, Guthrie, with the Infantry at Camp Hood, Texas; Lawrence L. Irwin, '42, Leedey, Marine Corps officer on duty at the Naval Air Station, New Orleans, Louisiana; Dorman W. Sims, '40, Pocasset, on duty at the Army Air Base, Walla Walla, Washington; Crandall D. Jones, '42eng, Cisco, Texas, engineering officer of an Italy-based Liberator group; John R. Runyan, '31-'37, Oklahoma City, on duty at headquarters of the European theater of operations, and Robert E. Kent, '38-'42, Oklahoma City, with the Field Artillery in the Dutch East Indies.

Captain Kent wrote the Alumni Office that there are several Oklahomans in his outfit, among them Capt. John Spradling, '41ba, Oklahoma City, Capt. John McNaughton, '39ba, Miami, and Lt. Norman Reynolds, '41ba, Oklahoma City.

Barbara A. Nelson, '41-'42, Tulsa, chief of the mail and records section of the Los Angeles Port of Embarkation, has been promoted to first lieutenant in the WAC.

Advanced to sergeant were John E. Circle, Jr., '40-'43, Jackson, Ohio, overseas with the Corps of Engineers; Howard LaPlant, '41, Oklahoma City, with the Air Force in Italy, and Elbert R. Spears, '34-'36, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, aircraft mechanic with the 15th Air Force. Manville R. Redman, Jr., '44, Oklahoma City, with the Field Artillery at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, has been promoted to corporal.

Francis R. Drake, '26-'29, Muskogee, on duty at the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, Texas, has been promoted to the rank of full commander. Promoted to lieutenant commander were J. P. Puffinbarger, '33med, former superintendent of schools at Sperry, now a Naval liaison officer at California Selective Service headquarters in Sacramento; Egbert Clement, Jr., '24-'31, Norman, on duty in the operations division of the Naval Air Station at Dutch Harbor, Alaska; Hugh F. Owens, '34law, former Oklahoma City attorney, on board a destroyer in the Pacific, and Jack Levering, '39bus, Tulsa, an aviation supply officer on duty in the Pacific. Commander Levering was in the Marianas at last report.

New lieutenants senior grade include Richard W. Carpenter, '34law, Tulsa, at the Armed Guard School, San Diego, California, and Joe J. Summers, '37fa, '38m.fa, Supply, an instructor at the Chemical Defense School, Little Creek, Virginia. Also at the school there is Ensign Roy M. Franks, '42eng, Oklahoma City.

Those who have recently added the half stripe of the lieutenant junior grade are Eugene F. Corrotto, '39ed, Fort Smith, Arkansas, on duty at the Amphibious Training Base at San Diego, California; G. Sturgis Wassam, '42ba, Enid, on sea duty; Henry T. Bingham, '40eng, Norman, at the Naval Air Station, Tillamook, Oregon; B. G. Christopher, '42eng, Norman, base engineer at the Naval Repair Depot, San Diego, California; Elliott Fenton, '37law, Oklahoma City, and Joseph S. Thompson, '35law, Miami. Lieutenants Fenton and Thompson are on duty aboard the same ship in the Pacific, which participated in the landings on Leyte. Lieutenant Fenton is a gunnery officer, while Lieutenant Thompson is in Intelligence work. Also on board the ship is Lt. Jack S. Roberts, '39bus, Little Rock, Arkansas.

David E. Phillips, '25ba, '35m.ed, Edmond, has been promoted to chief storekeeper at his base in the Pacific.

Speaks at Dedication

Lt. Comdr. Franklin C. Morris, '26eng, '30arch, officer in charge of construction at the Marine Corps Air Station, Edenton, North Carolina,

gave the dedication speech when a new swimming pool was opened recently at the station. A water carnival was held in connection with the dedication, with exhibitions of swimming and diving.

Commander Morris poured water from both the Atlantic and the Pacific, symbolizing the strength of our two-ocean Navy, into the swimming pool, and made a few remarks on its construction and purpose. He was formerly a member of the O. U. faculty.

In Leyte Action

Lt. Col. James Mills, '36eng, Norman, was taking part in the fighting on Leyte Island, according to dispatches from that area. Colonel Mills has been overseas for nearly three years, and has seen action on Guadalcanal, Tulagi and Tarawa. He was awarded a Silver Star by Admiral Nimitz for gallantry in action against the Japanese on Tarawa.

Californians Hear Suite

A suite for string quartet by Kenneth Harris, '40fa, '41fa, musician second class from Norman, was performed by a Navy string quartet in San Diego, California, recently, and received favorable comment from music critics there. Mr. Harris is an arranger at the Fleet Music School in San Diego.

The suite, consisting of four movements, Gavotte, Sarabande, Blues and Gigue, was written since he was stationed there.

Adventure in the Indies

His adventures in a crash landing in a remote mountainous section of the Dutch East Indies and rescue by natives and a group of Australians were recounted in a letter home recently by Lt. George E. Summers, Jr., '40-'41, Tulsa.

Lieutenant Summers was piloting his ship back to base after an all-day flight, when he got lost in a severe storm and ran out of oxygen at the same time.

Searching desperately for a hole in the clouds and a level space in the mountains to land on before the crew passed out from lack of oxygen, Lieutenant Summers finally picked out a place. "I told the crew chief to check all emergency equipment, asked the radio operator to send out an SOS, told the co-pilot to say a prayer and came in," he wrote.

The landing was a good one, and soon the plane was surrounded by friendly natives. Upon being offered a pack of cigarettes one of the natives agreed to go for help, and took a note to an Australian outpost some distance away. The next morning a rescue party headed by an Australian sergeant came, helped the crew strip the plane of everything they could carry off, and they all started on the 22-mile walk back to the Australian post. Under a blazing sun, over one hill after another through grass ten feet over their heads, the party pushed on, finally finishing the trek in pouring rain.

From the Australian post Lieutenant Summers got word to his commanding officer, who picked them up four days later. On the way out they flew over the plane they had abandoned, and saw from the air the natives had built a fence around it and posted a guard over the wreckage. Concluded Lieutenant Summers in his letter, "We're all safe and sound, not a scratch on anybody. It was a great experience, but one which I could have done without."

Around the World

Lt. Col. John L. Smith, '36bus, Lexington, famed Marine Corps ace, has returned to duty in the Pacific after a tour of duty in the United States. Colonel Smith distinguished himself as a fier in the early days of the South Pacific conflict, winning a Congressional Medal of Honor. He has 19 Japanese planes shot down to his credit. At the present he is executive officer of a Marine Aircraft group in the Pacific.

Among Sooners attending an Oklahoma reunion party at an American Red Cross Club in London were Lt. T. J. Lucado, '40-'41, Okla-

homa City, Lt. Woodrow W. Gray, '35-'36, Hobart, Maj. Albert J. Braun, '33bus, Hobart, and Lt. Frank Spence, '41journ, Sayre. Special guest at the party was Victor Wickersham, Mangum, representative from Oklahoma's seventh Congressional district, in England with a Congressional group touring war fronts. While in England Mr. Wickersham also saw Lt. Frances Bidly, '42nurse, Blair, member of the Army Nurse Corps.

The field goal which cinched the overseas Air Force football championship for the 20th Tactical Air Force Maroons in their game against the Ninth Air Force Thunderbirds 12 miles from the German frontier last fall was made by Thurman Garrett, '41-'42, Blackwell, who was on the freshman team during his year at O. U. Played on a Sunday late in November in a cow pasture in Holland, the game wound up with a score of 3-0. Correspondents reported that Garrett, whom one termed "the human tank," tipped the scales at 290 pounds. He is in Europe with the Military Police.

Sgt. Everett R. Thomas, '35bus, and Capt. Leslie Byron, '31geol, both of Norman, ran into each other in India recently when Captain Byron passed through Sergeant Thomas' post on his way to his own station. In a letter to his father, A. E. Thomas of the University Comptroller's Office, Sergeant Thomas commented, "I was surprised to see someone from Norman over here, and he was just about as surprised as I was."

Lt. Van Heflin, '32ba, motion picture star and Academy Award winner now in the Army, was with the Bomber Command in France, heading a photographic crew which parachuted into Normandy to film the invasion. A United Press feature recently reported that Lieutenant Heflin's baby daughter Vanna uses her father's "Oscar," won for his performance in *Johnny Eager*, to cut her teeth upon, and that the small statue now has a slightly chewed-up appearance.

The Liberator bomber, *Take Me Back to Tulsa*, based at a 15th Air Force station in Italy, has among its crew two O. U. alumni, Lt. Sidney R. Davis, '35-'37, and Lt. Floyd N. Martin, '40-'41, both of Tulsa. Commanding officer of the base is Col. Earl Sneed, Jr., '37law, also of Tulsa.

Other alumni recently noted on foreign duty are Cpl. John T. Nesom, '43bus, Eufaula, Signal Corps; Cpl. Cecil J. Pickett, '42-'43, Ryan, Field Artillery; Pvt. W. H. Pruitt, '40-'42, Norman, Quartermaster Corps; Capt. Edward H. Geiger, '42bs, Sapulpa, Glider Field Artillery; Lt. Charles D. Axelrod, '40-'43, Cleveland, Ohio, Ordnance; Lt. John G. Belcher, '39bus, Infantry; Lt. Joseph E. Elliott, Jr., '42, Tulsa, Field Artillery.

Lt. Herman A. Welch, '41, Holdenville, Air Force; Capt. Walter B. Blevins, Jr., '38bus, Oklahoma City, Field Artillery; Edwin K. Chase, '40-'41, Oklahoma City, Anti-aircraft; Lt. Robert H. West, '43journ, Idabel, Field Artillery; Staff Sgt. Vernon Rice, '31ba, Artillery; Sgt. Vernon Collins, '41law, Cherokee, Civil Affairs; Lt. Joseph J. Tackwell, '40-'41, Norman, Air Force; Sgt. William P. Siard, '41-'43, Duncan, Air Force.

Capt. William B. Clayton, Jr., '41bus, Oklahoma City, Engineers; Lt. W. H. Tabb, '41ba, Altus, Air Force; Lt. Joel F. Buchanan, Jr., '42 bus, Ardmore, Quartermaster Corps; Maj. Robert J. Woolsey, '31law, Tulsa, Field Artillery; Capt. Paul D. Sullivan, '41, Oklahoma City, Field Artillery; Lt. Joe W. Phillips, '35-'37, Alva, Air Force; Maj. William H. Strang, '38eng, Ordnance; Tech. Sgt. James D. Carmichael, '41ba, Chickasha, Field Artillery; Lt. William G. Skinner, '43eng, Okmulgee, Engineers.

Lt. Carl E. Blackwell, '39-'41, Lexington, Air Force; Pvt. John B. Kennedy, '34, Healdton, Airborne Engineers; Capt. O. J. Blankenship, '39 law, Norman, Air Force; Lt. Jane Lloyd, '40nurse, Ada, Army Nurse Corps; Maj. William A. Loftin, '33-'35, Idabel, Air Force; Capt. H. R. Huff, '39pharm, Field Artillery; G. H. Hunt, '39ed, McAlester, Infantry; Capt. Walter R. (Waddy) Young, '36-'40, Cushing, Air Force.

Calling the Roll

By ELIZABETH LEES

~1912~

The responsibilities of the radio in a democracy and the relationship between the radio industry and the federal government were discussed by Paul A. Walker, '12law, member of the Federal Communications Commission, in an address before the third annual radio conference sponsored by Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri, in November. Mr. Walker said he believed broadcasters have a growing social consciousness and sense of their responsibility, evidenced by the increasing number of educational programs, particularly forum discussions of problems of current public interest. "If democracy is to achieve its maximum effectiveness," Mr. Walker said, "we must have more of this type of broadcasting... Networks and local stations can contribute much by providing plenty of time on the air for the broadcast of facts and varying points of view on matters of public concern."

~1925~

Mobley Lushanya, '25, soprano with the San Carlo Opera Company, sang the title role in *Aida* when the company presented the opera in Oklahoma City last month. Formerly a member of the Chicago Opera Company, Miss Lushanya is touring the country this season as a member of the San Carlo Company. She has studied in Berlin and Rome, and appeared with acclaim in Florence, Alexandria, Cairo, Gothenburg, Sweden, and London.

~1927~

Quinn M. Dickason, '27law, has been placed on inactive duty by the Army and has returned to his law practice in Tulsa. Mr. Dickason, a former lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General's Department, served two and one-half years in the Army. He has resumed practice in his old office at 904 Atlas Life Building.

~1930~

SMALL-CROSTON: Mrs. Dorothy Bert Small, Neodesha, Kansas, and Maj. George C. Croston, Jr., '25-'30, Sapulpa, were married October 22 at Brunswick, Missouri. Major Croston, a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, recently returned to the United States after serving for 18 months with the Air Force in Africa. He was assigned to the Army Air Base at Kansas City, Missouri, where the couple are at home.

Dorothy J. Dustin, '30, Oklahoma City, is in Australia as an American Red Cross staff assistant with the armed forces. Before joining the Red Cross, Miss Dustin was employed with the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company in Oklahoma City.

~1933~

COWLEY-CULWELL: Miss Virginia Cowley, Atlanta, Georgia, and Lt. Frank M. Culwell, '33, Norman, were married November 12 in Atlanta. Former Oklahoma newspaperman in Seminole and Oklahoma City, Lieutenant Culwell was recently transferred to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, preparatory to going overseas. He returned to the States last spring after serving a long stretch of duty in the Aleutians with the Field Artillery. Mrs. Culwell, who is employed in Atlanta, will remain at her home in Atlanta after her husband goes overseas.

Mrs. Elizabeth Willis, '33lib.sci, former public librarian at Ada, has been appointed head librarian at Bethany-Peniel College in Bethany. Succeeding her at Ada was Mrs. Verna B. Riddle, '33ed, '34lib.sci, who helped organize and open the public library there in 1936.

~1934~

SULLIVAN-DALE: Miss Barbara Louise Sullivan, Quincy, Massachusetts, and Lt. (jg) Vincent Dale, '29-'34, Guymon, were married on September 1 in Quincy. Mrs. Dale, formerly employed with the First National Bank in Boston, is living in Quincy while Lieutenant Dale is on sea duty. A graduate of the University of Missouri Law School, he was associated with the Federal Bureau of Investigation before entering the Navy.

Lt. William J. Wallace, Jr., '31-'34, and Mrs. Wallace have selected the name William Jones Wallace, III, for their baby son born recently in Oklahoma City. Lieutenant Wallace is on foreign duty.

~1936~

Mrs. Mary V. Burns, '36journ, has been promoted to editor of the *Woodward Daily Press*. She first went to work on the *Press* as a reporter and society editor in 1936, quitting in 1939. Several months ago she rejoined the staff as news editor.

John D. Upham, '36chem, and Mrs. Upham (Marion Burnett, '37soc.wk) have chosen the name John Burnett for their baby son born October 21 in Washington, D. C. The Uphams, formerly of Bartlesville, now live in Arlington, Virginia.

WILLIAMS-CONWAY: Miss Mildred Williams, '36bs, Hobart, and C. James Conway, Elk City, were married November 6 at Coldwater, Kansas. The couple are living temporarily in Elk City, where Mr. Conway is employed on a federal construction project.

~1937~

SMITH-BLACK: Mrs. Evelyn M. Smith, Providence, Rhode Island, and Lt. Fred M. Black, '37law, Oklahoma City, were married on October 28 in a chapel at Fort Ord, California. Mrs. Black, a graduate of Pembroke College in Providence and the University of Chicago, is a representative of the Red Cross at Fort Ord. Lieutenant Black, stationed there as assistant staff judge advocate of the Army Ground Forces depot, is a member of the Order of the Coif, Phi Eta Sigma scholastic fraternity for freshman men and Phi Delta Kappa education fraternity. Before entering the service he was an attorney in Oklahoma City. Lieutenant and Mrs. Black are making their home at Carmel-by-the-Sea, California.

HEROD-BOWERSOCK: Miss Virginia Herod, and Lt. David Bowersock, '35-'37, Clinton, were married November 1 in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Bowersock is a graduate of Southwestern Institute of Technology at Weatherford and has worked on her master's degree at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles and the University of Colorado at Boulder. Lieutenant Bowersock, a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, was in the insurance business in Texas before he entered the Navy in 1942. He has been on foreign duty in the Caribbean. The couple were temporarily at home in Hutchinson, Kansas, where Lieutenant Bowersock was stationed.

Maurice L. Clancy, '37ba, has been appointed a South American field representative for Wyeth International, the ethical drug division of American Home Products Corporation, with which he has been associated in New York City for the last five years. During this month Mr. Clancy will visit company plants in Pennsylvania and Canada, after which he and Mrs. Clancy (Lucy MacKenzie, '37journ) will go to South America, probably Peru.

Mrs. Alice E. Gibson, '37ba, Kingfisher, has accepted a Civil Service position involving higher mathematics at Langley Field, Hampton, Virginia.

Lt. Col. Bunn D. Hale, '35-'37, and Mrs. Hale, Galveston, Texas, are the parents of a baby son Derek Nichols, who was born in August in Augusta, Georgia. Colonel Hale is stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

J. L. Medlock, '37m.ed, and Mrs. Medlock (Alma Wendt, '23he) left the employ of the

Douglas Aircraft Company in Long Beach, California, in November after working there for two and one-half years. Mr. Medlock worked for 744 days without missing a day or taking a vacation. Mrs. Medlock also was continuously on the job except for the time she took off to attend the funerals of her parents. The Medlocks returned to Oklahoma last month to make their home in Pauls Valley.

Pfc. Harlan Mendenhall, '37journ, and Mrs. Mendenhall are the parents of a baby son Harlan Vincent born October 21 in Gulfport, Mississippi. Private Mendenhall is stationed at Keesler Field near there.

~1938~

Annette Burford, '35-'38, Oklahoma City, sang the leading role of Norina in *Don Pasquale*

Directs National Park

An article describing the establishment and development of Big Bend National Park in Texas, which is headed by Dr. Ross Maxwell, '29geol, '31ms, appeared in a fall issue of the *Saturday Evening Post*. The article was accompanied by a number of color illustrations. Dr. Maxwell has been with the National Park Service for ten years, becoming superintendent of Big Bend Park last July when it was opened. Almost as large as the state of Rhode Island now, the park will be doubled in size when Mexico develops a similar tract of land just across the Rio Grande to be essentially a part of the same establishment.

when it was presented in New York last month by the Juilliard School of Music. Miss Burford, in private life Mrs. William G. Stuart, has won considerable acclaim for her performances with the Juilliard opera group.

Lt. (jg) Henry R. Hansen, '38, and Mrs. Hansen (Mary Margaret Steward, '39) have chosen the name Russell Ward for their baby son born November 6 in the Naval Hospital at Norman. Lieutenant Hansen was on duty at Hollywood, Florida.

HENDRIX-NASH: Miss Mary Frances Hendrix, Idabel and Tulsa, and Lt. Norman C. Nash, '36-'38, Edmond, were married October 15 in Idabel. Mrs. Nash is a graduate of Oklahoma College for Women at Chickasha, where she was elected "Miss OCW" in her senior year. Lieutenant Nash, a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, recently returned to the United States after a tour of duty aboard a submarine in the Pacific. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. The couple established a home in San Francisco, where Lieutenant Nash is stationed.

Ensign Frank P. Vance, Jr., '38eng, and Mrs. Vance have selected the name Thomas Coates for their baby son born October 28 in Washington, D. C. Both Ensign and Mrs. Vance are from Oklahoma City.

~1939~

William Harrison Ford, III, was the name selected by Lt. William H. Ford, Jr., '38-'39, and Mrs. Ford for their baby son born November 9 in Oklahoma City. Lieutenant Ford is on foreign duty.

Ted Hefley, '39bs, '41ma, Norman, sang in the performance of *The Messiah* presented December 28 by the Choral Society of Philadelphia. Mr. Hefley, former member of the O. U. Men's Glee Club, is employed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Philadelphia.

DeFELICE-LEWIS: Miss Thelma DeFelice, New Orleans, Louisiana, and Capt. Bert H. Lewis, '39ba, Shawnee, were married October 31 in Shawnee. Mrs. Lewis is a graduate of the Charity Hospital School of Nursing in New Orleans, and has been on the staff there since graduating.

She has been head surgical nurse for the last year, and more recently acting supervisor of surgery. Captain Lewis, who received his medical degree from Louisiana State University and served his internship at Charity Hospital, returned last September from North Africa, where he commanded an Ambulance company for 14 months. He is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Louisiana State Medical Society. At the conclusion of his leave Captain Lewis was to report to Brooke General Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, for re-assignment.

Ralph L. Reece, '39bus, and Mrs. Reece (Eleanor Burton, '38ba) are the parents of a baby son Robert Allen born November 1 in Oklahoma City. Mr. Reece was an officer candidate in training with the Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia.

SHAFFER-SELVIDGE: Miss Frances George Shafer, '39letters, '40lib.sci, Oklahoma City and Denison, Texas, and Maj. William M. Selvidge, '42law, Ardmore, were married on November 17 in Denison. Before her marriage Mrs. Selvidge was law librarian at the state capitol in Oklahoma City. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, Phi Beta Kappa, and Chi Delta Phi honorary literary fraternity. Major Selvidge, a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and Phi Eta Sigma scholastic fraternity, returned shortly before his wedding from the European theater of war, where he was in action for 16 months as pilot of a Liberator bomber. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross. Before entering the Air Force, Major Selvidge was state representative from Carter County.

Lt. Col. James R. Williams, Jr., '39law, and Mrs. Williams are the parents of a baby son born November 4 in Oklahoma City. Colonel Williams is stationed at San Luis Obispo, California.

~1940~

RAY-AUSTIN: Miss Ethel Frances Ray, Swannanoa, North Carolina, and Lt. Harvey Austin, '39-'40, Wynnewood, were married October 25 in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Austin, who attended Western Carolina Teachers College, has been employed for the last two years in the War Department in Washington. Lieutenant Austin recently returned to the United States after a tour of duty with the 15th Air Force in Italy.

WILK-DANVERS: Miss Marjorie Louise Wilk, Houston, Texas, and Capt. Wallace M. Danvers, '40, Oklahoma City, were married October 28 in Houston. Mrs. Danvers is a former student of the University of Texas at Austin. Captain Danvers, a member of Sigma Nu fraternity, recently returned from foreign duty and was stationed at the Army Air Base at Coffeyville, Kansas. The couple are living in Coffeyville.

NORFLEET-GREGG: Miss Marian Norfleet, Norfolk, Virginia, and Lt. Clarence B. Gregg, '38-'40, formerly of Elgin, were married October 28 in Norfolk. Lieutenant Gregg, holder of the Navy Air Medal, is on duty at the Naval Air Station at Norfolk, where the couple are making their home.

Lt. Paul Harkey, '39-'40, and Mrs. Harkey are the parents of a baby daughter Cheryl Annette born October 2 in Boston, Massachusetts. Lieutenant Harkey is on sea duty.

Ensign Jack N. Tresner, '40bus, and Mrs. Tresner have chosen the name Jack Norman, Jr., for their baby son born October 31 in Oklahoma City. Ensign Tresner is on duty in the Pacific.

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COOK-DeVOE: Miss Faye Arledge Cook, '44, Eldorado, Oklahoma, and Lt. Richard DeVoe, Mason City, Iowa, were married November 19 at Eldorado. Mrs. DeVoe, member of Alpha Lambda Delta honorary society for freshman women, was editor of the *Covered Wagon* magazine at O. U. Since leaving the University she has been employed in the advertising department of the *Altus Times-Democrat*. Lieutenant DeVoe, a graduate of the University of Iowa and a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, was on duty at the Army Air

Field at Altus, where the couple established a home.

Mozette F. Foreman, '44ed, Norman, is teaching in the elementary schools in New London, Connecticut.

McDERMITT-JENNINGS: Miss Billie Ruth McDermitt and Ensign Ernest W. Jennings, '44, both of Oklahoma City, were married on October 29. Ensign Jennings received his commission from the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps at the University on October 27. He was assigned to the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, where the couple are living.

MONROE-LANG: Miss Mary Ann Monroe, Pauls Valley, and A. Warden Lang, Jr., '44eng, East St. Louis, Illinois, were married October 27 in Pauls Valley. Mrs. Lang is a senior in the College of Fine Arts at the University. Mr. Lang expects to enter service soon. The couple have established a home in Norman.

McMURRAY-KAUFFMANN: Miss Suzanne McMurray, '42-'44, Oklahoma City, and Ensign Howard C. Kauffmann, Jr., '44eng, Tulsa, were married November 5 in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Kauffmann, who also attended Randolph-Macon College at Lynchburg, Virginia, is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. Ensign Kauffmann, a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, recently returned from an eight-month tour of duty in the Pacific war zone. He was stationed in Long Beach, California, where he and Mrs. Kauffmann established a home.

PARTLOW-LLOYD: Miss Ida Margaret Partlow, '44ed, Skiatook, and Sgt. John R. Lloyd, Jenks, were married October 22 in Riverside, California. Mrs. Lloyd is teaching school in Oceanside, California, near Camp Pendleton, where Sergeant Lloyd is stationed. He has been in the Marine Corps for eight years.

Juanita E. Prentice, '44ba, Oklahoma City, is employed as a geographic aid in the Army Map Service in Washington, D. C. In order to interpret scales, dates and titles appearing on Oriental maps, Miss Prentice is studying Chinese and Japanese.

RIDDLE-HALL: Miss Virginia Riddle, '44he, McAlester, and Ensign M. Trufant Hall, '43bs, Norman, were married on November 9 in Jacksonville, Florida. Mrs. Hall was employed with the Public Service Company in McAlester before her marriage. Ensign Hall was on duty at the Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, where the couple established a home.

BLANTON-SEIKEL: Miss Fern Blanton and Ensign Roy L. Seikel, '44eng, both of Oklahoma City, were married there on October 28. Ensign Seikel is a member of Alpha Chi Sigma honorary chemistry fraternity and Tau Beta Pi and Sigma Tau honorary engineering fraternities. He was ordered to report to the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, after receiving his commission from the N.R.O.T.C. unit at the University this fall.

SLOAN-LAUBHAN: Miss Eilena Sloan, '44ed, and Sgt. Victor Laubhan, both of Ames, Oklahoma, were married there on October 14. Mrs. Laubhan is continuing in her position as teacher and superintendent at the Cimarron Valley School near Enid. Sergeant Laubhan is on duty at the Army Air Field at Mission, Texas.

YOUNG-MUELLER: Miss Elaine Young, '44bs, Oklahoma City, and Pfc. Bernard W. Mueller, Rockford, Illinois, were married October 22 in Oklahoma City. Private Mueller, a member of the American Society of Tool Engineers, was stationed at Will Rogers Field near Oklahoma City, where he and Mrs. Mueller established a home.

ZOBISCH-SLONECKI: Miss Maxine Zobisch, '44m.ed, Geary, and Thaddeus G. Slonecki, New York City, were married recently in Clifton, New Jersey. Mrs. Slonecki, who received her B. A. degree from Oklahoma City University, is teaching music in the Junior High School at Pampa, Texas. Mr. Slonecki was associated with the Interboro Rapid Transit System in New York before entering service with the Air Force.

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