# With the Armed Forces

Two former Sooner athletes, Lt. Dene (Pug) Harp, '37-'42, Fairview, and Lt. Richard Reich, '40-'43, Oklahoma City, fought with the Marine Corps on Iwo Jima. In a letter to Dale Arbuckle, O. U. athletic director, Lieutenant Harp said he was on the front lines as a forward observer for 13 days out of the 17 he was on Iwo. Lieutenant Reich wrote Bruce Drake, basketball coach, that he hoped they don't get any hotter than Iwo Jima. "I ended up the only officer left in our company and the only platoon leader left in the battalion. I was company commander four times and ended up with the entire company in one platoon. Our division is really shot," he said.

#### Governs German Town

Maj. John O. Hall, '36ba, former city manager of El Reno and Nowata, is the U. S. military governor of the town of Haltern, in Westphalia, Germany. Major Hall and his staff of five officers and ten enlisted men are re-establishing the town government of Haltern, one of the few cities in the path of Allied conquest which had a working water system by early April. One of his worst problems, Major Hall said, was setting up a civilian governing body in a town composed almost entirely of Nazi Germans.

# Navy Correspondent

Sam G. Harris, '27-'29, former Mississippi and Arkansas newspaperman, has been detached from duty at the Norman Navy Hospital, where he was a hospital apprentice first class, for transfer overseas as a Navy combat correspondent. Mr. Harris was one of two hospital corpsmen from all over the country selected to join the newly organized group of Navy newspapermen. They will report news of

# To Help Hungary Rebuild

Attached to the Allied Control Commission for Hungary, which is commanded by Maj. Gen. William S. Key, Oklahoma City, are Maj. Lawrence R. Hagy, '23ba, Amarillo, Texas, Cpl. William S. Key, Jr., '36ba, Oklahoma City, and Lt. Col. Kenneth K. Dunham, '25ph.c, '30bs, Lawton.

#### Gets Medal But Late

Twenty-six years after he served with U. S. Army troops on the Mexican border in 1916, Staff Sgt. Frank I. McPherson, '26ba, Dallas, Texas, has received the medal and ribbon for participating in the Mexican border campaign. Sergeant McPherson, now stationed at Robins Field, Georgia, handled medical supplies for the 314th Cavalry, which patrolled a 60-mile stretch of the border. Between wars, he obtained a degree at O. U., studied at Harvard, and worked for insurance companies, entering the service for the second time in October, 1942.

### Decorations

Maj. Marshall D. Word, '40law, Butler, has been awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross for "extraor-dinary achievement in aerial flight" as pilot of a Liberator bomber with the 15th Air Force. The specific feat for which he was decorated occurred on a recent mission to Oswiecim, Poland, when his plane was badly damaged by flak before it reached

Two of the engines were barely functioning, but Major Word made the bombing run. As he tried to rejoin formation, flak knocked out his ship's electrical and hydraulic systems and all the instruments. Major Word started back over friendly territory as he was rapidly losing fuel and knew he would not be able to get back to his home base. The crew bailed out as Major Word held the ship on a straight course.

As he started out after them, one of the dead engines came to life and took the bomber on a



RECORDS WITH CAMERA A combat cameraman with the Tenth Air Force, Lt. Ned Hockman, '42, has been in the India-Burma theater two years, covered the opening of the Ledo Road.

steep spiral which made it impossible for Major Word to bail out. He crawled back to the cockpit, killed the engine, and started to bail out the second time. This time the bomb bays jammed, and he finally had to kick his way out. The citation accompanying Major Word's D.F.C. commended him for "determination and devotion to duty, a high degree of professional skill and excellent judgment under difficult circumstances." He also holds an Air Medal with a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster.

► Capt. Ralph L. Steen, '37-'40, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal with a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for outstanding and meritorious achievement while participating in B-29 operations against Japan as a pilot.

► Lt. Virgil Hill, Jr., '41-'43, Canute, has been awarded an Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, a Presidential Citation and the Order of the Purple Heart for his work as a P-47 pilot in the European theater. Lieutenant Hill recently returned to this country to receive treatment of his wounds at William Beaumont Hospital in El Paso, Texas.

► The seventh and eighth Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. George L. Coffey, '39-'42, Tulsa, photographic reconnaissance pilot with the Ninth Air Force in Belgium.

► Lt. William C. Parker, '26, Purcell, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service as a member of the Signal Corps at Hollandia and the Distinguished Unit Badge for action at Buna. Recently promoted from second to first lieutenant, he has also been in action at Biak and Luzon, Lieutenant Parker has been in the Army since 1928, and received a commission in the field last September.

➤ Staff Sgt. Grady L. Wilson, '40-'42, Altus, waist gunner on a B-17 of the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to add to his Air

► Pvt. William N. Kinney, '43, Tulsa, has been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for wounds received in action with the 84th Airborne Infantry Division during its advance from Belgium into Ger-

many. He was in a hospital in England.

Lt. Robert M. Stemm, '42, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious service as a pilot with a Troop Carrier squadron in the China-Burma theater. He has flown on 106 missions, carrying troops and supplies into China and

Burma from India.

Lt. Lawrence L. Fuller, '42, Norman, has been

awarded an Air Medal for meritorious service in aerial combat against Germany. He is pilot of an A-20 with a Bombardment group which helped defeat the Germans in the "battle of the bulge.

► Lt. James M. Philpott, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as pilot of a Flying Fortress pilot with the Eighth Air Force. He is a 1943 graduate of West Point.

► The third Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Earl E. Levally, '42ba, Maysville, pilot of a Liberator bomber with the 15th Air Force.

► Kenneth F. Patterson, '41-'42, Lawton, technician fifth grade in the Quartermaster Corps, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal for participation in the Normandy campaign with a Quartermaster Base Depot. All the men attached to the Depot were awarded a Bronze Star.

► Lt. James L. Dorland, Jr., '41, Norman, navigator of a Liberator bomber with the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded an Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious achievement during aerial operations over enemy-occupied Europe.

► Lt. William C. McClure, '36med, Oklahoma City, Navy physician with the Marine Corps, has been awarded a Bronze Star for his work in saving lives on Saipan and Tinian between June 15 and August 10, 1944. He served as head of an aid station during both island campaigns. The citation accompanying his medal stated, "By his cool and capable handling of evacuation facilities and by his experience in the care of the wounded, he was largely instrumental in saving the lives of many badly wounded Marines who might otherwise have died." Before entering the service Lieutenant Mc-Clure practiced medicine in Oklahoma City.

► Lt. Pren G. Hollingsworth, '42, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial action as a Fighter pilot with the

15th Air Force in Italy.

► Lt. Alfred Houser, '38-'39, Apache, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross with a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for extraordinary achievement as pilot of a B-24 bomber with the 15th Air Force in Italy. The D.F.C. was awarded to Lieutenant Houser for his superior airmanship and devotion to duty on a mission over Austria last October, when an oil leak caused all his engines to die except one. He was forced to drop out of his own formation, but joined another, and after bombing the target he made an emergency landing without injury to any of his crew. The Cluster was added to Lieutenant Houser's D.F.C. for meritorious achievement during 33 combat missions against the enemy.

▶ Lt. Warren J. Bale, '43eng, Lodge Pole, Ne-braska, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement in aerial action during a mission over Austria last December 25. Lieutenant Bale also holds the Air Medal with a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for participating in sustained operational flights against the enemy.

► An Air Medal has been awarded to Lt. Marcus Immerman, '39-'43, Tulsa, co-pilot of a Liberator bomber in the Mediterranean theater of operations. He is with a group which has gone on more than

195 missions in that theater.

► Lt. Col. James D. Fellers, '36law, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for meritorious services in connection with military operations against the enemy while serving on the staff of Maj. Gen. E. R. Quesada, of the Ninth Tactical Air Command, fighter-bomber component of the Ninth Air Force.

Capt. Louis K. Sharpe, '42bus, Checotah, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroic service in connection with military operations as a Field Artillery battalion commander in France last September 8. The accompanying citation stated in part, "Near Piennes, his organization nearly completely overrun by enemy tanks and armor, himself pinned down by heavy fire, Captain Sharpe made his way to a wounded soldier. While the battle raged about him, he rendered the man first aid, improvised a stretcher, and then dragged the casualty to a place of comparative safety.'

► Lt. John D. Hill, '38-'43, formerly of Norman, B-24 navigator with the 15th Air Force in Italy, has received an Air Medal for meritorious service on missions and the Order of the Purple Heart for being wounded.

► Lt. Edward W. Keefner, Jr., '44, Yukon, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight during sustained operations against the enemy as navigator on a Liberator of the 15th Air Force in Italy.

► Lt. Harold M. Nelson, '40-'43, Shidler, pilot of a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded an Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters. Lieutenant Nelson has taken part in numerous heavy bombardment missions over Berlin, Merseburg, Ludwigshaven, Mannheim and Cottbus.

► A Bronze Star medal and a Purple Heart have been awarded posthumously to Lt. Col. Richard E. Buchanan, '33geol, Oklahoma City, who died in a German prison hospital on June 26, 1944. Colonel Buchanan was captured by the Germans soon after the invasion of France when he and his party were searching for a command post site and ran into

enemy machine guns. ▶ Pfc. Joe B. Allen, '43, Oklahoma City, has been given the Purple Heart for wounds received last November 9 near Metz, where he was fighting with the Infantry. He was injured in the back, right shoulder, right arm, right knee and left ankle.

► The Parachute Field Artillery battalion commanded by Lt. Col. John T. Cooper, Jr., '36ba, Wewoka, has been awarded the Presidential Citation for action at Bastogne. Colonel Cooper, holder of the Bronze Star and Purple Heart, wrote his wife that his men "certainly deserved it after their private

tank fights Christmas morning."

Lt. Melvin L. Parham, '36-'39, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as pilot of a Liberator bomber with the 15th Air Force in

► Lt. Charles Renegar, '39-'41, Okmulgee, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as a B-29 engineer in India. He recently returned to the United States from foreign duty.

► Lt. William Woodward, '42zool, Norman, aerial observer with a Field Artillery battalion in Europe, holds an Air Medal for meritorious achievement during flights and a Purple Heart for wounds. He was awarded the Air Medal for his work last January when he flew over German installations at the height of ten feet to observe their strength and arrangement. The Purple Heart was awarded to him for wounds received in action in the Saar district

► The Order of the Bath, a high-ranking British decoration, has been conferred upon Maj. Gen. Walter M. Robertson, '07, Oklahoma City, commander of the Second Division of the Ninth Army in Europe. He was awarded the insignia by Field Marshal Montgomery along with five other generals. General Robertson also holds the Silver Star and the Distinguished Service Cross.

► Maj. J. O. Givens, '38bus, Oklahoma City, has been decorated with the Bronze Star medal for his traffic control leadership with the 32nd Division on Leyte. Holder also of the Silver Star for gallantry in action in New Guinea, Major Givens went over-

seas in April, 1942. ► Three Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Sam S. Gill, Jr., '37, Oklahoma City, veteran of service with the 13th Air Force in the South Pacific who is now stationed at Santa Ana, California. Lieutenant Gill flew 89 combat missions as pilot of a C-47.

► The second and third Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. William H. Tabb, '41ba, Altus, navigator of a Flying

Fortress in the European theater.

Lt. Jesse O. Haug, Jr., '41-'42, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious service. while flying more than 15 missions with the 20th Air Force in Italy. His outfit has been given the Distinguished Unit Citation.

➤ Staff Sgt. Richard C. Capps, '40-'43, Mountain

Park, Oklahoma, member of a Ninth Air Force Bombardment squadron in Europe, has been awarded an Air Medal and received a commendation for the quality of his work from Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr.

► Lt. Richard W. Hillyer, '40-'43, Tulsa, has been awarded an Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" as navigator on a Flying Fortress of the 15th Air Force. Since last December he has gone on more than 16 combat missions.

➤ Staff Sgt. John R. Baker, Jr., '40-'43, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious achievement in aerial flight as nose-gunner on a Liberator bomber of the Fifth Air Force.

► Tech. Sgt. Franklin W. Harris, '39-'41, Healy,

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.

Kansas, has been awarded an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as radio operator on a Liberator bomber of the Eighth Air Force. He has been on 30 combat missions.

Three bronze Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. William M. Kilpatrick, '40-'42, Oklahoma City, pilot of a Liberator bomber with the 15th Air Force in Italy.

➤ Sgt. Clyde F. Hunt, '41-'43, Morris, has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in combat against the enemy in Germany. The accompanying citation stated that Sergeant Hunt, member of a forward observer team, was forced to set his radio in a position exposed to enemy fire because of the failure of some wire lines. "With utter disregard for his own safety, he remained in this exposed position until the objective had been taken and several counterattacks had been repulsed," the citation said.

Lt. Joseph R. Southwell, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, has been decorated with an Air Medal for meritorious service during 650 hours of operational flying with the Air Transport Command in India.

Lt. William L. McDonald, '42, Altus, has re-

ceived an Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for his service as co-pilot of a Flying Fortress based in England.

► The third, fourth and fifth Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Charles W. McClean, '41-'43, Tonkawa, who recently returned to this country after serving a tour of duty with the Air Force in the European theater as pilot of a B-17.

► Staff Sgt. Robert L. Shepherd, '41-'43, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for service as a waist gunner aboard a B-17 of the Eighth Air Force. The award was made for meritorious achievement during bombing attacks on Nazi industrial plants.

Lt. George E. Defenbaugh, '39-'42, Bartlesville, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious performance on a mission over Greece last September. He is a squadron bom-bardier with the 15th Air Force. Lieutenant Defenbaugh, who also holds an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, was expected home on leave soon.

► Lt. Don G. Smith, '40-'43, Norman, pilot of a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious achievement during ten bombing raids on German targets.

Capt. Neil Keller, '33law, Norman, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for combat with the Fifth Army in Italy and has been cited

by the 350th Battle Mountain regiment of the 88th Division for his fighting ability.

► Staff Sgt. Grady L. Wilson, '40-'42, Elmer, Oklahoma, waist gunner on a B-17 with the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious service during 20 missions.

► Lt. Col. T. T. Beeler, Jr., '37med, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service with the Medical Corps in Normandy. He went into Normandy four days after the initial invasion. Colonel Beeler is now executive officer of an evacuation hospital in Holland.

► The Liberator Heavy Bombardment group of the 15th Air Force to which Cpl. William K. Newton, Jr., '36-'40, Norman, is attached has been awarded the Distinguished Unit Badge. The decoration was for the group's outstanding performance on a raid on a Vienna oil refinery last summer.

➤ Capt. Jean E. Crabtree, '38, Ada, squadron operations officer with a B-25 group of the Eighth Air Force, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

➤ The Order of the Purple Heart has been awarded to Capt. James A. Johnston, '39-'40, Chickasha, who was killed in action over Lille, France, on January 13, 1042 ary 13, 1943. He also has been awarded an Air Medal posthumously. Captain Johnston was pilot of a bomber with the Eighth Air Force.

► Lt. John L. Read, '40-'41, Norman, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as pilot of a Flying Fortress with the 15th Air Force. Lieutenant Read has been on more than 11 combat missions over Europe.

➤ The first and second Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Jack B. Cornett, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, fighter pilot in the European theater.

► The first and second Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Wayne C. Montgomery, '41-'43, Oklahoma City, pilot of a

Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force.

Pfc. Paul R. Buhl, '41-'43, Tulsa, has been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for wounds received in action with the Infantry in Germany shortly after he crossed the Rhine. Private Buhl also has received an Expert Infantryman's Badge with a Combat Infantryman's Wreath. His unit holds a Presidential Citation.

► Capt. Charles Ready, Jr., '39-'42, Sentinel, a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter-bomber pilot in the European theater, holds a Silver Star and an Air Medal with three silver Oak Leaf Clusters. Captain Ready has been on approximately 100 missions from bases on the continent in support of U. S. First and Third Army action and has shot down three enemy planes. He is a flight leader in the "Hell Hawk" group, which destroyed 337 German vehicles during the first two days of the German offensive last December.

► Lt. George F. Mobley, '38-'43, Chickasha, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as gunnery officer aboard a B-17 of the Eighth Air Force.

► Lt. Claude W. Dagenhart, '39-'41, Shattuck, who was killed last August 3 over Germany, has been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart posthumously. Lieutenant Dagenhart was navigator on a Flying Fortress.

► Lt. Col. John Embry, '27law, Chandler, commander of the 160th Field Artillery battalion of the 45th Division, has been decorated with the Silver Star and the Bronze Star. He was awarded the Silver Star for extreme gallantry in action last September near Meximieux, France, when he parked his command car on a slope of ground exposed to enemy fire so that he could co-ordinate Artillery fire effectively, and stayed there until the German attack was repulsed. During that time he was the constant target of enemy snipers. The Bronze Star was awarded to Colonel Embry for his meritorious service in combat as battalion executive from July 10 to November 7, 1943, in Sicily and Italy, and battalion commander from November 8, 1943, to June, 1944, in Italy. The 160th, formerly com-manded by Col. Jess Larson, '26, Lawton, was reported across the Rhine in March.

Lt. Frank Hardie Miller, '35, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious action against the enemy from 11 December 1944 to 15 February 1945 in Germany. The accompanying citation stated that Lieutenant Miller has aided the 308th Field Artillery battalion immeasurably in the accomplishment of its missions. "He has aggressively routed forward wire lines and, under Artillery and mortar fire, located forward installations. The direction of wire crews under his command has been marked by keen initiative," the citation said.

▶ Lt. Col. Joe A. Smalley, '37law, Norman, has been awarded the Croix de Guerre by the French government for exceptionally meritorious service in the liberation of France. He is commander of the 179th Field Artillery battalion. Colonel Smalley also holds the Silver Star.

▶ Capt. Nicholas T. Tinker, Jr., '40eng, Pawhuska, has been decorated with the Bronze Star medal for meritorious service against the enemy in France and Belgium from June 29 to September 9, 1944. During that time he was S-4 officer and battery commander of his battalion's service battery and battalion reconnaissance officer. On September 9 Captain Tinker was seriously wounded and returned to this country for treatment at Hammond General Hospital at Modesto, California.

► Lt. Jack W. Haggard, '40-'41, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters for meritorious achievement during missions over enemy territory as pilot of a P-38 based in Belgium with the Ninth Air Force.

► The Order of the Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to Capt. Roger L. Mills, '41eng, Norman, for wounds received in action which resulted in his death last December 17. He was serving with a Field Artillery Observation battalion in Belgium.

► Capt. Richard L. Tryon, '32ba, Oklahoma City, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious service in combat with a Field Artillery unit in Italy. His battalion is attached to the 85th "Custer" Infantry Division.

▶ Lt. George Burkett, '41ba, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious service with a Glider Field Artillery battalion in Europe. He is attached to the 101st Airborne Division. Lieutenant Burkett has recently been promoted from second to first lieutenant.

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Lt. Col. Wilbur Wilson, '34law, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for untiring energy and devotion to duty as a staff officer at an Army Corps headquarters during a recent engagement on

the western front in Europe.

Maj. E. Bruce January, '40, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service as an Artillery officer with First Army headquarters in the European theater. Holder also of the Legion of Merit and the Order of the Purple Heart, Major January has seen action in Africa, Sicily, Normandy, Belgium and Germany.

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▶ An Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters has been awarded to Lt. Lawrence L. Fuller, '42, Norman, for his work as pilot of an A-20 light bomber with the Ninth Air Force in France. He was recently promoted to first lieutenant.

▶ Col. William H. Amspacher, '36med, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for outstanding service as operations officer in the surgeon's office of the First Army in Europe. Colonel Amspacher, who has served with the Medical Corps in Africa, Sicily, France, Belgium and Germany, also holds the Legion of Merit and the French Croix de Guerre.

➤ Three Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Thaine A. Syfert, '33-'35, Oklahoma City, bombardier with the 12th Air Force in the Mediterranean theater.

➤ Lt. Marvin R. Richardson, '37-'41, Noble, has

► Lt. Marvin R. Richardson, '37-'41, Noble, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action and a Purple Heart for wounds received in action as a Paratrooper in Europe. Lieutenant Richardson's outfit was at Bastogne during the Battle of the

▶ The 15th Air Force Liberator Bombardment group to which Tech. Sgt. Chester L. Evinger, '43, Grove, is attached, has been awarded a Distinguished Unit Citation. An engineer-gunner, he has been on 35 combat missions with the outfit.

► Capt. William C. Wallace, '36-'38, Oklahoma City, Air Force veteran who recently returned from the South Pacific, has been awarded an Air Medal. He flew 72 missions against the Japanese as pilot of fighters, bombers and transports. Captain Wallace is now on duty at the Enid Army Air Field.

➤ Two Oak Leaf Clusters have been added to the Air Medal held by Lt. Harry Culver, '40-'43, Homestead, pilot of a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force. He has been overseas since last November.

Lt. Robert L. Lawrence, Jr., '42, Anadarko, has been awarded the Silver Star medal for gallantry in action during the German breakthrough in Belgium late last December. His unit was in a twostory Belgian house, charged with directing artillery fire. Lieutenant Lawrence was hit in the left leg by a shell, but continued to direct fire while he lay on the floor and his sergeant told him what was going on outside. He and another wounded man were carried out the front door of the house as the Germans entered the back door, Along with a group of wounded they reached St. Vith. Lieutenant Lawrence was evacuated to the United States for treatment at McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas. The shattered bone and torn blood vessels in his leg have healed, but another operation will probably be necessary to restore the nerves.

Lt. Warren L. Keely, '41, Arcadia, Navy pilot, has been awarded the Navy Cross for heroism in leading four Hellcat fighter planes against a force of 32 Japanese planes in Pacific action. Lieutenant Keely has been missing in action in the Pacific since last October 30.

Lt. Everett H. Price, Jr., '41, Corpus Christi, Texas, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism in the Aleutian Islands, where he served with a Navy bombing squadron for nine-and-a-half months. During that time he flew search patrols and made 12 missions to Paramushiro in northern Japan. The citation accompanying his D.F.C. read in part, "For heroism and extraordinary achievement as pilot of a Ventura bomber on 10 September 1944, Lieutenant Price had one engine damaged by anti-aircraft fire during an attack on enemy shipping. Realizing that he would be unable to reach his base should the engine fail completely and that a landing in the icy water meant almost certain death, he courageously, by thorough knowledge and skillful use of his equipment, made the 700-mile over-water return flight. His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval service."

Capt. Robert R. Read, '41eng, Lawton, Marine Corps pilot, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for shooting down two Japanese planes during the early days of the Guadalcanal campaign. One of the first Marine pilots to fly combat from a Navy carrier, Captain Read recently returned to the United States after taking part in aerial action



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at Okinawa and Chichi Jima. Captain Read served as executive officer of his squadron.

Lt. Clyde P. Fisher, '42ba, Norman, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal for meritorious service as a Field Artillery officer in France and Germany on October 20, 1944, and January 7, 1945. As executive officer of a firing battery, Lieutenant Fisher stressed constant maintenance and service in keeping his howitzers at a high standard of efficiency. He displayed unwavering courage under enemy fire and inspired his men to complete all their assigned missions successfully.

▶ Capt. Tipp W. Watts, '30-'32, Oklahoma City, has been awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious service in flying 300 hours of operational flight in transport aircraft from India to China. He recently returned to the United States and was stationed with the Air Transport Command at Love Field, Texas. Captain Watts also holds an Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster.

▶ Lt. Col. David Brooks, '34, Oklahoma City, has been awarded a Bronze Star for meritorious achievement as head of the ground operations section of a photographic reconnaissance wing in the European theater from April to September last year. During that period, covering final preparations for the invasion and the first phases of the invasion itself, Colonel Brooks worked in close co-operation with the Allied ground and air forces, furnishing combat units with maps, photographs and other information. Colonel Brooks took part in the invasion of North Africa and was stationed there for two years, training French troops in the use of American artillery.

▶ Capt. Hal A. Burnett, '43med, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement as a Medical Corps officer against the enemy on February 14 in Germany. The accompanying citation read in part, "Captain Burnett quickly administered medical aid to four victims of a German mine explosion, only to be wounded himself when another mine was detonated by one of the injured men. After his injury, Captain Burnett continued to work in the minefields, paying heed neither to his personal safety nor the wound he had received, to alleviate the pain of six more casualties."

▶ The Silver Star has been awarded posthumously to Capt. Lynn Frensley, '41, Duncan, Field Artillery officer who was killed on August 2, 1944, in Europe. The accompanying citation said in part, "When his battery suddenly received heavy enemy artillery fire, and was attacked by enemy infantry, Captain Frensley, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, fearlessly organized his battery and directed his men in successfully holding off the counterattack. Although the action cost him his life, it undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his men." The medal was presented to Captain Frensley's father, Frank Frensley, Duncan, in a recent ceremony at Fort Sill.

#### **Deaths in Service**

Col. Charles Clark Kegelman, '34-'36, El Reno, group commander with the 13th Air Force, was killed on March 9 over Mindanao in the Philippine Islands. The War Department had not revealed details of his death by mid-April, but unofficial reports said that his plane collided with another of his squadron.

Colonel Kegelman was one of Oklahoma's best known airmen. He was the first American in the European theater to receive the Distinguished Service Cross, awarded to him for leading the first World War II U. S. Air Force mission against German-held territory. That was on July 4, 1942, when his squadron of Boston bombers raided an air field in Holland. Colonel Kegelman, then a captain, flew his burning plane back across the Channel safely on one engine. He was presented with the D.S.C. by Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz.

Colonel Kegelman remained in England, going on missions over the continent, until American troops landed in North Africa. He then went to Tunisia, where his squadron of A-20's constituted the entire U. S. Air Force during the early days of the campaign. From North Africa Colonel Kegelman, by then a lieutenant colonel and holding

the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal as well as the D.S.C., came home in February, 1943. Until February, 1944, he remained in the United States as an instructor. At that time, holding the rank of full colonel, he requested transfer to the South Pacific and received it. He fought the Japanese as pilot of a P-51 at Guadalcanal, Rabaul, Borneo, Noemfoor, the Celebes, Leyte and Mindanao.

Colonel Kegelman entered the Air Force in 1935, and received his commission at Randolph Field, Texas, the following year. He first went overseas in May, 1942.

At the University Colonel Kegelman was a premed student. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kegelman, and his wife, Mrs. Marian Dale Kegelman, all of El Reno.

- ▶ Sgt. John T. Ellis, Jr., '37, Oklahoma City, was killed in action over Germany on February 8. He was radioman and gunner on a B-26 bomber. Sergeant Ellis had been stationed in Europe for three months. In addition to the University, where he was a student in the College of Business Administration, he attended Altus Junior College. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Opal Ellis, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Ellis, all of Oklahoma City.
- ➤ Staff Sgt. Raymond B. Wolf, '38-'39, Wewoka, died on January 9 of wounds received on January 7 in action in Belgium as a Paratrooper with the 82nd Division. Sergeant Wolf was a student in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University, and a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Wolf, Wewoka.
- ▶ Lt. William A. Jones, '38ba, Oklahoma City, was killed in action on December 27, 1944, in Belgium, where he was fighting with the Field Artillery. Lieutenant Jones enlisted as a private in May, 1942. Former student of professional writing at O. U., he was a successful fiction writer. His stories, devoted mostly to western and oil field subjects, have appeared in numerous national magazines. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Iva E. Jones, Pomona, California, and his father, S. J. Jones, Oklahoma City.
- ► Lt. E. Leroy Allen, '37law, Bristow, was killed in action with the 17th Airborne Division in Germany on March 24. He went to England in December, 1943, as an intelligence officer with the 82nd Airborne and transferred to the 17th last December. Lieutenant Allen entered Germany on March 24 with the 17th. Previously he had fought in France, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg. Lieutenant Allen entered the Army in April, 1942, and was on duty in the Panama Canal Zone from March to August, 1943. Before entering the service he was assistant legal counsel for the National Mutual Casualty Company of Tulsa. At the University Lieutenant Allen was a member of the debate team for three years, Ruf Neks and Pi Kappa Delta forensic fraternity. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Allen, Bristow.
- ▶ Lt. James E. (Ernie) Fields, '40-'42, Bartlesville, was killed on January 2 in a plane crash near Slaidburn, Lancashire, England. He had completed 30 missions over the continent and held an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. At the University Lieutenant Fields was a student in the College of Engineering and was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Survivors include his parents, Mr.

and Mrs. V. E. Fields, Bartlesville.

Lt. Walter F. (Jack) Watson, '38-'42, Mountain Park, Oklahoma, was killed in action in the Bay of Biscay area on March 27, 1944. He had been listed as missing in action on that date for a year. Pilot of a Liberator bomber based in England, Lieutenant Watson was killed while returning from a mission over Pau, France. At the University he was a student in the College of Business Administration. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil O. Watson, Mountain Park.

▶ Lt. Richard C. Prater, '40-'43, Hobart, was killed in action over Japan on February 17. He was previously reported missing in action. Lieutenant Prater, who went overseas last October, was copilot of a heavy bomber based in the Philippines. At the University he was a student in the College of Engineering. Survivors include his parents, Maj. and Mrs. R. C. Prater, Sheppard Field, Texas, and

Hobart, and a brother, Pvt. Robert Prater, '41-'43, Fort Benning, Georgia.

- Lt. William L. Baker, '42-'43, Hobart, member of the Marine Corps, was killed in action during the first day of the invasion of Iwo Jima. Lieutenant Baker received his commission in the Marine Corps at New River, North Carolina, last September, and went overseas in November. In addition to O. U., where he was a student in the College of Arts and Sciences, Lieutenant Baker attended Texas A. and M. College at College Station. He was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity. Survivors include his wife, the former Harriet Ann Broaddus, '43ba, Muskogee, whom he married last October 21, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Baker, Hobart, and a sister, Betty, '42-'44, now a student in the University of Colorado at Boulder.
- ▶ Pfc. James W. Cochran, '36law, Oklahoma City, was killed in action with the Third Army while fighting near the Rhine. He had been in the Army for a year. Before entering service Private Cochran was associated with the law firm of Richardson, Shartell, Cochran and Pruet in Oklahoma City. At the University he was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Betty Conwell Cochran, and a son, Michael, two and a half years old, of Phoenix, Arizona, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cochran, Oklahoma City.
- Lewis Ray Dunn, '43, Oklahoma City, seaman second class in the Navy, was killed in recent Naval action at an undisclosed location. Mr. Dunn had been on foreign duty for six months. While attending the University he played on the football team. Survivors include his father, Fred Dunn, Dewey, and his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Dunn, Oklahoma City.
- ► Capt. Conner Masters, '36-'38, Eagle City, Oklahoma, was killed on March 3 in Germany, where he

# First Faculty Casualty

Capt. Robert Whitehand, '33ba, assistant professor of drama on leave of absence for military duty, was killed in action over France on March 27. He joined the Air Force in 1942 and was attached to a group of writers compiling material for a history of aviation to be written after the war. Captain Whitehand had been overseas for a year.

One of the most promising of America's young playwrights and short story writers, Captain Whitehand joined the University faculty in 1938 as an instructor in drama, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1940. Before coming to O. U. he worked in the Tulsa oil fields and on the Tulsa World.

Captain Whitehand's plays include *Pegasus on Foot*, presented by the University Playhouse in 1937, *Return to Exile*, given by the University of Tulsa Experimental Theater in 1940, *Derricks on Hill*, *Precious Land*, which won the Oklahoma prize play contest in 1936, and *Prelude to '76*, a radio drama which won first prize in the 1940 annual Charles Sergel contest, a national competition sponsored by the University of Chicago and judged by leading network officials.

One of Captain Whitehand's short stories, American Nocturne, was included in the O'Brien collection of best American short stories for 1935, and appeared also in several other anthologies. It was reprinted in the English journal Lilliput under the title Love Is Beautiful. Another of his stories, The Fragile Bud, was selected by Harry Hansen to appear in the 1938 collection of O. Henry memorial short stories. Critical articles and reviews by Captain Whitehand have appeared in the Saturday Review of Literature, the Tulsa World, the New York Herald Tribune and the Daily Oklahoman.

While attending the University Captain Whitehand was on the staffs of the Oklahoma Daily and the Sooner Yearbook, and was a member of Delta Phi Epsilon and Newman Club. He held an M.A. degree from the University of Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Whitehand, and two small daughters, Iowa City, Iowa.

was serving with the Medical Corps. Captain Masters had been in the Army for two years and overseas since last fall. He was a graduate of a Kansas City, Missouri, dental college. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Hazel Masters, Kansas City, and his father, F. C. Masters, Eagle City.

- ▶ Cpl. Winford A. Pickard, '25-'27, Norman, was killed in action with the Marine Corps on Iwo Jima on February 24, five days after the first landing. He was gunner with a tank outfit of the Fourth Division. Corporal Pickard fought on Roi Namur, Saipan and Tinian before going into Iwo Jima. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in October, 1942, and trained at Camp Elliott and Camp Pendleton, California, before going overseas. Survivors include his parents, Mrs. Julia Pickard and Clyde Pickard, both of Norman.
- ▶ Ensign Leonard C. Witt, '41-'42, Oklahoma City, was killed last December 20 in a plane crash near Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Ensign Witt had been in the Navy for two years, having received his commission as a flier at Corpus Christi, Texas. At the University he was a freshman in the College of Business Administration. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle C. Witt, Oklahoma City, and a brother, Lt. Tillman P. Witt, '41m.ed, with the Marine Corps in the South Pacific.
- ▶ Lt. Earl J. Lyon, Jr., '40-'41, Oklahoma City, listed as missing in action since last November, was killed in action on October 17 in the North African theater of war. Navigator of a B-17 based in Italy, he held an Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters and a Presidential Citation. Lieutenant Lyon enlisted in the Air Force in July, 1942, and went overseas a year ago. At the University he was a student in the College of Engineering. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lois Ann Lyon, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lyon, all of Oklahoma City, and two brothers, Ensign Fred Lyon, '45-eng, on sea duty, and Lt. Fred Lyon, '40-'43, with the Army in North Carolina.
- ► Capt. W. Douglas Baker, '42law, Oklahoma City and Stamford, Texas, was killed in action on Luzon on February 24. Commander of a Field Artillery outfit of the 25th Division, Captain Baker had been overseas for three years. At the University he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, the President's Class for 1938, Phi Eta Sigma scholastic fraternity for freshmen, Scabbard and Blade honorary military fraternity, Bombardiers and Skeleton Key. For five and a half years Captain Baker was manager of Ramblers student orchestra. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Betty Prichard Baker, '37-'38, and their four-year-old daughter, Barbara Lee, both of Oklahoma City, and his father, William Baker, Joplin, Missouri.
- Lt. Sidney R. Davis, '35-'37, and Lt. Floyd N. Martin, '41-'42, both of Tulsa, members of the crew of the bomber Take Me Back to Tulsa, have been killed in action in the Mediterranean theater. They were first reported missing as of last October 29, when the Liberator failed to return from a raid. Lieutenants Davis and Martin, along with another crew member from Tulsa, named the plane and were responsible for the Tulsa skyline painted on its nose. Lieutenant Davis, pilot of the bomber, was a petroleum engineer in Illinois before entering the service in March, 1943. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Bette Lou Davis, two children, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Davis, all of Tulsa. Lieutenant Martin attended the University of Tulsa in addition to O. U. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Martin, Tulsa.
- ▶ Sgt. Carl Roop, 39-42, Heavener, was killed in action with the Air Force over France on December 31, 1943. He was earlier listed as missing in action by the War Department. The Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to Sergeant Roop, who was engineer-gunner on a Liberator bomber. At the University, Sergeant Roop was a student in petroleum engineering and a member of the University Band. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roop, Heavener.
- ▶ Lt. Ralph D. Day, '41-'42, Trees, Louisiana, was killed in action with the Air Force over France last July 5. He was earlier reported missing in action as of that date. Lieutenant Day was a P-47 fighter pilot on his 34th mission when he was shot down. The month before he was shot down into

the English Channel but was rescued by a P.T. boat. Lieutenant Day received his commission at Aloe Army Air Field, Victoria, Texas, and trained at Harding Field, Louisiana, before going overseas. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C.

▶ Pfc. Richard C. Wynne, '44, Henryetta, was killed in the crash of a B-24 bomber near Burlington, Vermont, last October 16. He was in training as a gunner at Westover Field, Massachusetts, and was on a night flight at the time of the crash. Nine of the ten crew members were killed. While at O. U. Private Wynne was a freshman in the University College. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wynne, Henryetta.

► Pfc. Paul Z. Beck, '42-'43, Bradford, Pennsylvania, was killed in action with Ninth Army Infantry forces in Europe on February 28. He had earlier been awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement against the enemy in Germany during the period from November 28 to November 30, 1944. At O. U. Private Beck was a student in the University College. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Beck, Bradford, and two brothers, Capt. Henry J. Beck, '42eng, and Pfc. Theodore Beck, '40-'43, both overseas.

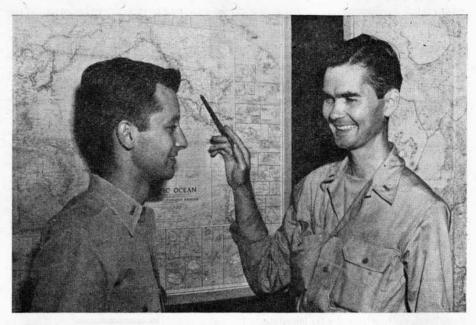
► Lt. James F. Henderson, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, died on February 21 of wounds received five days earlier while fighting in Germany. He was in a hospital in either Belgium or France when he died. Lieutenant Henderson was a Paratrooper. At the University he was a student in the College of Business Administration. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irl Henderson, his wife, Mrs. Maxine Henderson, and a baby son, James Phillip, all of Oklahoma City.

► Tech. Sgt. Clarence A. Pearce, '38-'42, El Reno, combat correspondent with the Troop Carrier Command, was killed in action in Germany on March 24 during an airborne crossing of the Rhine. Sergeant Pearce, who had covered airborne operations in England, France, Luxembourg and Germany since going overseas last October, held the Bronze Star and an Air Medal for the excellence of his work. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his part in organizing news coverage of airborne phases of D-Day operations, and for service at advanced Troop Carrier bases in Normandy. He won the Air Medal for courage and meritorious service in covering Troop Carrier operations in the Eindhove-Nijmegen areas at great risk to his own safety. Before entering the Army in 1943, Sergeant Pearce was head of the United Press bureau in Little Rock, Arkansas. At O. U. he was a student in the School of Journalism, and an editor of the Oklahoma Daily. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Maude Pearce, El Reno, and a brother, Dick Pearce, '31ba, San Francisco, California.

► Pfc. Frank C. Nonnamaker, '42-'43, Ponca City, was killed while fighting with the Infantry in France on January 29. He was earlier reported missing in action on that date. Private Nonnamaker entered service in 1943 and went overseas last October. At the University he was a student in the College of Business Administration and was prominent in debate and oratory. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Nonnamaker, Ponca City.

► Col. James V. Montgomery, '35ms, Oklahoma City and Okmulgee, was killed while fighting with the Eighth Corps of the Third Army in Germany on March 26. A Chemical Warfare Officer, he had been in action on the continent since D-Day. Before entering the Army in March, 1941, with a reserve commission as captain, Colonel Montgomery was chief chemist at the Phillips Petroleum Company refinery in Okmulgee. In addition to O. U., Colonel Montgomery attended Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee, where he received his B.S. degree. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bradley, Okmulgee, and his wife, the former Ruth Bradley, '30ba, and two sons, Jimmy, 10, and Jerry, 4, of Oklahoma City.

► Robert A. Schmidt, '42-'43, Tulsa, signalman third class in the Navy, died aboard a hospital ship in the Southwest Pacific on February 20 of wounds received on the Iwo Jima beach the day before. He went into Iwo Jima with a Marine unit, to which he was attached as a ranger. Mr. Schmidt had been in



HERE'S HOME ON THE MAP Ensign William Berry, '40law, Stillwater (right), an American prisoner of war recently freed from Bilibid prison in Manila, shows former O. U. classmate, Lt. (jg) Philip Boyle, '42bs, Oklahoma City, where he (Berry) will be in not too many weeks. The two Naval officers were good friends while at O. U.

the Navy for almost two years. At O. U., he was a freshman in the University College. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Schmidt, Tulsa.

#### Injured in Service

Pvt. Dewey W. Eubanks, '43, Ringling, was injured in action with the Marine Corps on Iwo Jima on March 2. He was evacuated to a Naval hospital for treatment of wounds to his right arm.

Pfc. Sam H. Ambrister, '31-'34, Norman, was

wounded seriously on February 9 in action with the Red Diamond Division of the Third Army in Europe, but in a letter dictated by him on February 15 he said he was much better. He is believed to be in a hospital in England.

Lt. Paul P. Rudell, '42bus, Sulphur, was a patient in a Naval Hospital in Hawaii after being seriously wounded while fighting with the Marines on Iwo Jima and was later brought back to the United States for hospitalization at Mare Island, California.

Lt. Samuel G. Payte, Jr., '41ed, Centrahoma, was a patient in an English hospital after being wounded last December during the German offensive in Belgium.

Lt. Charles Bookout, '43bus, Hartshorne, was seriously wounded in action in Germany on Feb-

ruary 22. He is a Field Artillery officer.

Lt. Harvey M. Richert, '40bus, Weatherford, was injured on March 4 in Germany. He received arm and body wounds from machine gun fire while fighting with the First Army Infantry. Lieutenant Richert was reported to be hospitalized somewhere in France.

► Lt. Henry H. Montgomery, '39-'42, Bartlesville, was a patient in William Beaumont General Hospital, El Paso, Texas, recovering from a broken leg received in a jeep accident in Belgium, where

he was fighting with the Field Artillery.

► Sgt. Matt W. Hampton, Jr., '43, Shawnee, was wounded in action in Luxembourg on February 13 and removed to a hospital in France for treat-

ment.

► Pfc. Joe M. Anderson, Jr., '43, Stigler, was seriously injured on March 6 in Germany, where he was fighting with an Infantry unit of the First Army, and was evacuated to a hospital in France for treatment.

► Lt. Joe L. Duer, '32med, Woodward, member of the Navy Medical Corps, was wounded on Iwo Jima during the first day of the attack.

Missing in Action

Lt. Ross R. Gahring, '39-'40, Norman, has been

missing in action with the Infantry in Luxembourg since last December 20.

Lt. Sam T. Barr, '41, Norman, has been missing in action over Luzon in the Philippines since March 5. He was a pilot with a Troop Carrier unit of the Fifth Air Force, and had flown more than 450 hours in the Southwest Pacific. Lieutenant Barr went overseas in June, 1944.

► Lt. (jg) Louis L. Davis, '41-'42, Pauls Valley, has been reported missing in action by the Navy Department. No details were available, although Lieutenant Davis is believed to have been in the

Pacific.

Lt. Albert M. Matthews, '41-'42, Enid, has been missing in action with the Air Force in Italy since March 24.

#### Prisoners of War

Pvt. William N. Childers, '44, Tipton, reported missing since las' December 18, was a prisoner of war in Germany. Private Childers, an Infantryman, had been overseas for six months when he was captured in Belgium.

Mrs. Herbert A. Von Tungeln (Charline Penner, '34ba), Mill Creek, has received a letter and two cards from her husband, Maj. Herbert A. Von Tungeln, '34ba, a prisoner of war in Germany. The latest one, written Christmas night, said the prisoners had good food that day, and were allowed to have carol services. Major Von Tungeln and Lt. Col. Victor Warford, '40bs, Chickasha, also

a prisoner, room together in the prison camp.

Flying Officer Edward P. Gill, '40-'41, Brookline, Massachusetts, member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, was a prisoner of the German government. He was formerly in Stalag Luft No. 3, but has been moved from there to an unknown camp. Mr. Gill was taken prisoner when his Lancaster bomber was knocked out by flak in a raid over Hamburg last July 28. Of the crew of eight, six, including Mr. Gill, parachuted to earth, but the

pilot and co-pilot went down with the plane.

Lt. Edward L. Williams, '42, Oklahoma City, missing in action over Belgium since January 22, was a prisoner of war of the German government, the War Department has reported. Lieutenant Williams was pilot of a C-47 transport used to supply troops.

## **Back from Battlefronts**

Pfc. John E. Lovell, '42, Enid, is a patient in Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Texas, for treatment of a foot injury received when he tripped on an anti-personnel mine in the snow near St. Vith. During the seven months he was in action on the western front in Europe, Private Lovell was captured by the Germans twice and both times freed by advancing American troops. The first time was at Aachen, when he was held for six days and freed when the town was captured by the Americans. The second time was at Stavelot, Belgium, where his Infantry company was surrounded by 30 enemy tanks. That time he was a prisoner for five days. It was shortly after going back into action then that he was wounded.

► Capt. James Gowdy, '28law, Oklahoma City, was home on leave earlier this year after being stationed for seven months at Assam, India, with the Air Transport Command. Before entering the service Captain Gowdy was assistant municipal counselor in Oklahoma City.

▶ Capt. Frank L. Knotts, '38med, Stillwater, is a patient in Winter General Hospital, Topeka, Kansas, having returned from foreign duty with the Medical Corps. He served for 23 months with an Auxiliary Surgical group in North Africa, Italy and France. Captain Knotts has been hospitalized since last October, when he contracted an illness in France. He returned to the United States late in January.

▶ Pfc. George Qualls, '41-'43, Oklahoma City, was a patient in William Beaumont Hospital, El Paso, Texas, for treatment of a leg injury received

in action on the German front.

► Lt. Col. Francis S. Livermore, '36bs, Hobart, has returned from Australia, where he was stationed for three years as an Army intelligence officer, and was stationed at the Augusta Arsenal, Augusta,

▶ James W. McFarland, '41-'42, Fox, Oklahoma, has returned to this country from a tour of combat duty with the Navy in the Pacific. An aviation radioman second class, he served as radioman and gunner on a torpedo bomber plane based on a baby aircraft carrier. Mr. McFarland participated in raids on Saipan, Guam, Tinian, Palau, the Philippine Islands and China.

► Maj. Joe Fletcher, '41bs, Norman, has returned from Saipan and is on duty in the Weather Service Research department of the Air Force in Washing-

ton, D. C.

► Lt. Leonard E. Dodson, '42, Kaw, injured in action with the Field Artillery in Europe, has been returned to the United States for treatment at Dibble General Hospital, Menlo Park, California.

► Capt. Loyett Burk, '35, Norman, was undergoing medical treatment at Torney General Hospital, Palm Springs, California, after being wound-

ed in action in the European theater.

► Harry L. S. Halley, '17law, Tulsa, has received a discharge from the Army and returned to his former post as district judge in Tulsa. He held a reserve rank as lieutenant colonel in the Infan'ry and was stationed in North Africa, Italy and France.

► Capt. Owen S. Parrish, '38-'40, Las Vegas, New Mexico, returned to the United States after being on duty with the Air Force in the European theater for 14 months and was stationed at Strother Field, Kansas.

► Capt. John B. Hobbs, '33-'35, Oklahoma City, was home on leave this spring after serving for a year as aide de camp to the then chief of staff of the 20th Bomber Command in India and China, Brig. Gen. John Upston. During his year in the East Captain Hobbs met General Stilwell, Lord Louis Mountbatten, Generalissimo Chiang Kaishek and Madame Chiang. At the end of his leave he was to rejoin General Upston, who had received new orders from the War Department.

▶ Lt. Col. John Primrose, '28law, Eufaula, who has returned to the United States after liberation from Bilibid Prison in the Philippines, was sent to Fitzsimmons General Hospital in Denver for a check-up and treatment for malnutrition. During three years as a Japanese prisoner, Colonel Primrose lost 70 pounds, weighing 94 pounds at the

time of his rescue.

➤ Capt. William M. Martin, '42ba, Ponca City, member of the Marine Corps, was a patient in the Naval Hospital at San Diego, California, recovering from wounds received during the Iwo Jima invasion. Injured during the initial landing, Captain Martin stayed with his company until it had aided in capturing the first enemy airstrip.

▶ Capt. Paul C. Duncan, '37law, Oklahoma City, returned to the United States this spring after serving with the Artillery in the Pacific area for 35 months. Captain Duncan went first to Hawaii, then to Australia, and on into New Guinea at the height of the Japanese threat to Australia. He participated in the invasion of Leyte, going onto the beach within an hour after the first forces landed. At the end of his leave Captain Duncan was to report to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for rest and reassignment.

Lt. Victor P. Farris, '43, Oklahoma City, has returned to the United States after serving a tour of duty as navigator on an Eighth Air Force Flying Fortress. He holds an Air Medal with five Oak Leaf

Clusters.

► Lt. (jg) Edward R. Warr, '42ba, Oklahoma City, spent a leave at home this spring after serving



for more than a year in the Pacific. At the end of his leave he was to be assigned to duty aboard a ship on the east coast.

➤ Staff Sgt. William W. Cross, '39-'41, Norman, was home on leave last month after completing 35 missions as ball turret gunner on a B-17 of the Eighth Air Force. Sergeant Cross holds an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters.

▶ Lt. Norman Floyd, '34eng, Norman, was home on leave this spring from Guam, where he has been on duty as a construction engineer with the

Air Force.

► Master Sgt. Wayne Muse, '37-'40, Norman, is back in the United States after serving in the Pacific area for 33 months. He was most recently in the Philippine Islands.

Lt. Glenn P. Bradley, '39-'43, Norman, was home last month after being wounded in action with the Third Army in Europe. A Field Artillery officer, Lieutenant Bradley was overseas for nine months. At the end of his leave he was to go to Camp Butner, North Carolina, for medical treatment.

➤ Capt. Lewis B. Fisher, '42bus, Bartlesville, was home on leave this spring from foreign duty, after having been overseas for 27 months. At the end of his 30-day leave, Captain Fisher left to rejoin his Armored outfit with the First Army on the western European front. He has fought with both the Third and First Armies, in the African, Sicilian and French campaigns.

► Col. Laurence B. Meacham, '17, Clinton, who acted as aide to several generals during the planning of the invasion of Europe, was home on leave this spring. Colonel Meacham, a graduate of West Point, also was aide to General Mark Clark during the North African invasion, landing in Algiers in a

B-17 along with General Clark.

▶ Capt. Neal W. Harris, '36-'40, Norman, has returned to this country after serving for 26 months in Africa, Sicily and Italy. He holds the French Croix de Guerre for his work as an American liaison officer with Free French troops. At the end of his leave in Norman, Captain Harris was to report to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for rest and reassignment.

Maj. Perry B. Hackett, '34eng, Norman, returned to the United States late in March after serving overseas for 31 months. He made the initial landing at Oran, Algiers, later going into Sicily at Gela. For the last year and a half, Major Hackett has been at Allied headquarters in Italy. After spending three weeks at home Major Hackett was to report to Miami, Florida, for reassignment.

➤ Capt. Richard D. Roys, '39med, Norman, who recently returned to the United States from three years of service with the Medical Corps in the Southwest Pacific, has been assigned to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, to train WACs as medical assist-

▶ Col. Frank S. Cleckler, '21ba, formerly head of the Veterans Administration Facility at Muskogee, recently returned from a year's service in England and France. He was to report to Eighth Service Command headquarters in Dallas last month. Colonel Cleckler was at one time executive secretary of the Alumni Association.

➤ Capt. Thomas P. Ryan, '42eng, Oklahoma City, has returned to the United States to attend Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, after serving for 18 months in the European theater with an Ordnance outfit.

▶ Lt. (jg) William H. Bourne, '38-'39, Huntington Park, California, has returned from a tour of duty as a dive-bomber pilot in the Pacific, during which he took part in 21 missions. Based on an aircraft carrier, he went on raids against Formosa, Okinawa, the Philippines, Hong Kong and French Indo-China.

► Capt. Robert D. Sheehan, '40-'41, Tulsa, veteran of 30 missions over Europe, has returned to the United States and was sent to the Air Forces Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida, for reassignment. Captain Sheehan, pilot of a B-24, holds the Distinguished Flying Cross with an Oak Leaf Cluster and an Air Medal with three Clusters.

▶ Capt. Ralph L. Hock, '37eng, Minden, Louisiana, has returned to the United States after serving for 32 months as an Ordnance officer in the Southwest Pacific. He was sent to the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida, for reassignment. Captain Hock wears the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon with three battle stars.

➤ Capt. Edward W. Bank, '37ba, Stewart Manor, Long Island, New York, has returned to the United States after serving for eight months as an orthopedic surgeon in the European theater. He wears a European campaign ribbon with three battle stars.

▶ Tharon A. Park, '36pharm, Okmulgee, pharmacist's mate first class, was home on leave this spring after serving for 18 months aboard a seaplane tender in the Pacific. During that time he saw action at the Ellice Islands, Tarawa, and Saipan, and went to Kwajalein and Guam.

► Lt. R. N. Dawson, '42bus, Enid, is stationed at Treasure Island, San Francisco, California, after serving for two years in the European theater with the Navy. He made four invasions with the am-

phibious landing forces.

Maj. W. S. Dandridge, '35ba, Ada, has returned to the United States after serving for three years with the Medical Corps in the Pacific and was stationed at Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Texas, as chief of the reconditioning section.

▶ Maj. Winston A. Jones, '31-'36, Frederick, Army officer who carried on guerrilla warfare against the Japanese while eluding capture during their occupation of the Philippine Islands, arrived at his home late in March. Major Jones, promoted from captain since rejoining American forces, was reported to be in good health.

Lt. William J. Monroe, '35law, Marietta, was a patient in Borden General Hospital, Chickasha, receiving treatment for a leg wound inflicted by shrapnel at St. Lo. Mrs. Monroe (Valerie Pinney. '37fa) and their son Bill were living in Chickasha while Lieutenant Monroe was in the hospital.

#### **New Officers**

C. Ned Hockman, '41-'42, Carnegie, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force in the field. He is a combat cameraman with the Tenth Air Force in the India-Burma theater, and has photographed a number of engagements with the Japanese. Lieutenant Hockman holds a Bronze Star medal for the excellence of his photography, both still and motion picture.

Recently commissioned second lieutenants at the Enid Army Air Field were Leroy Hamilton, '43, Enid, and Charles R. Coe, '42, Ardmore. Charles M. Turner, '43, Chickasha, was made a flight officer

upon completion of his training there.

Earl F. Zellner, '39-'41, Catoosa, has been commissioned a second lieutenant with the 15th Air Force in Italy. Bombardier with a Liberator group which holds a Distinguished Unit Citation, he was formerly a flight officer.

### Liberated

Lt. James K. Davis, '36-'37, Oklahoma City, was liberated from Oflag No. 64 in Germany, near the Polish border, when Russian forces trapped German troops in that area before they could take the prisoners farther into Germany. Early in April Lieutenant Davis was reported to have landed at an Eastern port and to be on his way to Oklahoma City, He was first taken prisoner by the Germans last June 5 when he invaded Normandy with the 101st Airborne Division, but managed to escape. On June 7 he was captured again, and in October it was announced that he was a prisoner of the Germans.

► Lt. Loyd A. Taylor, '34-'35, Ardmore, prisoner of war of the Germans, has been liberated by the advancing Russian armies, the War Department has announced.

Ensign William Berry, '40law, Stillwater, was freed from Bilibid prison in Manila when American forces took the Philippine capital and was on his way home last month. Ensign Berry was on the staff of the Navy base at Cavite when the war broke out. He was taken prisoner by the Japanese in May, 1942, at Corregidor. Interned at Cabanatuan, 60 miles north of Manila, he and two other prisoners escaped in 1943 and were at large on Luzon for several months before they were recaptured. Before entering the Navy, Ensign Berry was county attorney of Payne County.

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Capt. Irving D. Warden, '36-'40, Norman, has been released from a German prison camp by the advancing Russian armies. The War Department informed his parents that the news of his liberation had been received from the United States military mission in Moscow. Captain Warden was taken prisoner during the Battle of the Bulge in Luxembourg last December. An Infantryman, he

holds a Bronze Star medal.

Lt. Norman Barker, '40, Norman, prisoner of the Germans since he was captured in Holland last September, has been liberated by the advancing Russian armies and was reported by the War Department to be in Moscow. Lieutenant Barker was a captive in Oflag 64, northwest of Warsaw, and was among approximately 600 Americans rescued by Soviet troops in January. A Paratrooper, Lieutenant Barker parachuted into Normandy on D-Day and later participated in the initial invasion of Holland. Mrs. Barker is the former Addie Lee Pickard, '39journ, Norman.

#### **Promotions**

Jess Larson, '26, Chickasha, 45th Division veteran now on the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery School at Ft. Sill, has been promoted to colonel.

Alumni recently promoted to lieutenant colonel include the following: Norman A. Anderson, '33 bus, Oklahoma City, Field Artillery officer overseas; William R. Francis, '36bus, Blanchard, overseas with the Ordnance; Alfred H. Schmidt, '36bus, Park Ridge, Illinois, overseas with the Ordnance; Lloyd W. Taylor, '41med, Hugo, with the Medical Corps in the Southwest Pacific; Roy A. Webb, Jr., '40, Pampa, Texas, with the Air Force Training Command in Fort Worth, Texas; John P. Stewart, Jr., '35bus, Oklahoma City, with the Field Artillery in Europe; Ralph R. Carlin, '29-'34, Oklahoma City, overseas with an Armored division, and Ellis Brown, '39eng, Duncan, commander of the 90th Bombardment group, known as the Jolly Rogers, based in the Philippines, which has raided Formosa frequently recently.

Those advanced to the rank of major include: Colquit S. Sykes, '40geol, Ardmore, with the Field Artillery in the Central Pacific; Roy G. Andrews, '32eng, Norman, chief target data officer with the Fifth Air Force in the Philippines; Frank Loeblich, '40eng, Oklahoma City, commander of an Air Force Ordnance Depot in Corsica; Dan D. Tompkins, '31eng, Corpus Christi, Texas, attached to the Southern Land Frontier at Fort McIntosh,

Texas.

Robert H. Slover, '35ba, Prague, overseas; Frank A. Engleman, '36bus, former news editor of the *Hobart Democrat-Chief* now on duty in Washington, D. C.; Ronald R. Hermes, '34-'39, Anadarko, Army Air Field, Midland, Texas; Hubert A. Gilbert, '32-'35, Yale, member of the In-

# Analysis of G. I. Bill of Rights - - - (Part 3)

Ed's note: This concludes the analysis of the G. I. Bill, by John G. Hervey, dean of the O. U. School of Law, which has been published in three parts, in this and the previous two issues of *Sooner Magazine*.

23. Has the veteran an indefinite period of time in which to take advantage of the educational benefits?

No. The law provides that a course shall be initiated not later than two years after either the date of his discharge of the termination of the war, whichever is the later. And no such training or education shall be afforded beyond seven years after the termination of the present war.

24. Can the veteran choose the institution which he wishes to attend?

Yes-subject to two conditions. These are:

- a. That the institution is on the approved list of the Veterans Administration.
- b. That the veteran be accepted as a student by that institution.
- 25. How much does the government pay directly to an eligible veteran who is in training?

The government will pay a subsistence allowance of \$50 a month during the approved period to the trainee who takes a full-time program of education or training. If the veteran has one or more dependents, then the subsistence allowance is \$75 per month.

26. May a veteran-trainee qualifying for pension receive pension allowance while receiving his subsistence allowance provided for under the G. I. Bill of Rights?

No he cannot receive both pension and subsistence allowance. He chooses pension or subsistence allowance, whichever is the larger, and is entitled to the other benefits.

27. What other expenses are paid by the government?

The government provides tuition, customary fees, and necessary books and supplies up to an approved amount. These are paid directly to the institution which the veteran-trainee attends and not to the veteran-trainee.

28. Can the veteran choose his course of instruction?

Yes. But once he has begun it, he can change it only with the approval and consent of the Administrator of the Veterans Administration.

29. Must the veteran take a full-time program?

No. But a lesser subsistence allowance will be granted by the Administration if the trainee takes a part-time program. The same is true of the veteran who takes a part-time "refresher or retraining" program.

30. May the government withdraw the training available to a particular veteran?

Yes. The veteran may be removed from an educational or training program, before the termination of the period for which he is eligible, by the Administrator of the Veterans Administration, if the conduct or progress of such veteran-trainee is unsatisfac ory according to the regularly prescribed standards and practices of the institution.

- 31. How does a veteran proceed in applying for the educational benefits provided by the G. I. Bill of Rights?
- a. He should obtain Form 1950 from the Veterans Administration or educational institution or service organization in his community and execute the form according to the printed directions thereon.
- b. He should attach to the form a certified copy of his discharge. Photostatic copy is acceptable.
- c. He must sign the application in the presence of a notary public and have the application notarized.
- d. He should indicate the educational or training institution he wishes to attend and the date on which he wishes to commence his training.
- e. Should have a statement either on the form or separately that he will be accepted as a student by the institution of his choice.
- f. He should send all the above mentioned material to the regional office of the Veterans Administration having jurisdiction over the area in which is located the veteran's place of residence given at the time of entry into the service.
- 32. What if a veteran knows that he has a service-incurred disability by reason of the fact that he has been granted a pension?

Only the Veterans Administration can determine whether a veteran has a service-incurred disability. If the veteran has been given a pension rating of at least ten per cent and has received notice that a vocational handicap exists, he is eligible to apply for the educational benefits under vocational rehabilitation and should apply under Public Law 16. Use Form 1900.

33. Is it to a veteran's advantage to apply for the benefits of vocational rehabilitation, Public Law 16, over those of the G. I. Bill of Rights?

The subsistence allowance is higher under vocational rehabilitation. Tuition, necessary fees, books, and supplies are also provided.

34. What application form is filed for the benefits of vocational rehabilitation?

Form 1900, but this form is filed only after Form 526 has been acted upon and a person has received notice that a vocational handicap exists. Form 1900 may be obtained from the Veterans Administration only.

spector General's Department in France; Harold J. Sullivan, '35law, Oklahoma City, member of the Judge Advocate General's Department in the Philippines; Cecil E. Miller, '39med, Mangum, executive officer of Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, New Jersey; Clarence M. McCoy, '40, Durant, engineering officer with the Eighth Air Force; Kenneth T. Wilson, '33-'36, Oklahoma City, in France; Corwin C. Grimes, '38-'40, Olean, New York, 15th Air Force veteran now on duty at Westover Field, Massachusetts; Earl A. Davis, '30 law, Wewoka, overseas with the Judge Advocate General's Department.

James A. Skinner, '36-'40, Norman, executive officer of a Quartermaster battalion in France; Walker L. Boone, '37-'40, Wyandotte, squadron operations officer with the 353rd Fighter group of the Eighth Air Force; A. R. Sellers, '28ba, Oklahoma City, overseas with an Engineers battalion,

and Joe B. Steele, '37-'38, Ringling, supply officer of the New Caledonia Island Command. Major Steele, who went overseas in November, 1942, was commended some months ago by his commanding officer for assisting in the development and coordination of a repair plan for Signal Corps equipment which resulted in the expeditious repair and replacement of critical equipment and its return to troops in the combat zone.

Promoted to captain were the following: Don H. Olson, '43med, Vinita, physician with the Lightning Division in Europe; Robert D. Cocanower, '37-'42, Oklahoma City, overseas with the Air Force; Thomas H. Wilson, Jr., '40ma, Norman, with the Air Transport Command in Washington, D. C.; Charles C. Eames, '39-'40, Watertown, New York, overseas with a Troop Carrier squadron; Donald E. Savage, '39ms, Canyon, Texas, overseas with an Air Force photographic unit.