

# ★ ★ With the Armed Forces ★ ★

- ▶ Capt. Charles R. Musgrave, Jr., '42law, Tulsa, was one of the reviewing officers at the victory parade in which the 40th Infantry Division troops participated in the Philippines recently. He has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement.
- ▶ Sgt. Ray Anthony, '34bus, Oklahoma City, recently was in attendance at a "University of Oklahoma" party in Honolulu. Sergeant Anthony was a gunner on a bomber.
- ▶ First Lt. William H. Bradshaw, '37bus, Oklahoma City, was a student at the new educational center in Shrivvenham American University, England.
- ▶ Capt. Louis Barnett, '42eng, Watonga, was stationed at Denver, Colorado, where he is an ordnance officer of the Air Corps.
- ▶ Rudell "Dick" Whittington, '41pharm, Mount Ida, Arkansas, was credited with the saving of Tojo's life after his attempted suicide. Mr. Whittington administered first aid to the Japanese premier with American blood plasma. He is now serving with the Medical Corps on Japan.
- ▶ William H. Abbott, '22, Norman, a Marine commissioned warrant officer, has been selected to serve as a material officer of a Marine Carrier Aircraft Service department.
- ▶ First Lt. M. D. "Danny" Burrell, '40-'42, Henryetta, began his officer training in November, 1942. Early in 1945 he was sent to the European Theater of Operations. He was stationed in Wales but later was sent on to the continent proper.
- ▶ Lt. James A. Eads, '36-'40, Oklahoma City, who has been overseas 17 months was named supply officer for a Fifth Air Force base in the Philippines.
- ▶ Lt. Gene Arrendell, '44med, Ponca City, Henry Freede, '42med, Oklahoma City, and Harold Dodson, '41med, Haskell, met on Guam and participated in the Okinawa campaign and the invasion of Iwo Jima. Dr. Turner Bynum, '32med, Chickasha, was also in the Okinawa invasion.
- ▶ Capt. Jim M. Taylor, '28-'31, Oklahoma City, was serving with the 21st Evacuation Hospital unit on New Caledonia, Guadalcanal and Bougainville. They stayed in operation there about 10 months before heading for the Philippine Islands.
- ▶ Lt. Col. Wayne A. Starkey, '34med, Altus, formerly of the Training Division, Operations Service in the Office of the Surgeon General, has been assigned overseas duty.
- ▶ Capt. John V. Clark, '39med, Oklahoma City, was named commanding officer of hospital at a South Pacific base.
- ▶ Lt. Williard E. Edwards, '29eng, now of Honolulu, had a Perpetual Calendar Resolution before the 79th session of Congress.
- ▶ Graduated from the Army medical headquarters recently were Lt. Elmer S. Berger, '41ms, '44med, Lt. Clifford A. Brown, '44med, Lt. Phillips B. Fife, '41bs, Lt. William E. Knight, '43med, Lt. Earl M. Robinson, '44med, and Ronald A. White-neck, '44med, all of Oklahoma City.
- ▶ Maj. Jerry J. Nolan, '39bus, Norman, former faculty member at the University, was the administrative commandant of the new American School in Berlin.
- ▶ Robert A. Harding, chairman of engineering shops, has been named member of a technical advisory group composed of experts in 21 phases of industry and agriculture in the five Gulf Southwest states.
- ▶ Cpl. James Neal Yowell, '42, Norman, was enrolled in the U. S. Army University center in England. Corporal Yowell is a member of the 29th Division.
- ▶ Capt. J. C. Amspacher, '43med, Norman, has assumed his duties in the Orthopedic Branch at McCloskey General hospital, Temple, Texas, as an

- X-ray specialist. Captain Amspacher served in France with the 116th Evacuation Hospital unit.
- ▶ Lt. George G. Anthony, '40-'43, and Second Lt. Harry Sconfons, '43pharm, met on a Pacific island recently for a short visit. Lieutenant Sconfons had previously met two other University graduates, Lt. Jack Marsee, '43eng, and Ensign Abbott Sparks, '41fa, '43ba.
- ▶ First Lt. O. G. Gage, Jr., '42eng, Newgulf, Texas, was sent directly from Italy to the Philippine Islands and was on the first ship to land troops in the Pacific from the European Theater of Operations.
- ▶ Lt. George Wayne Jordan, '42eng, Norman, has been reassigned to full duty in the Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, after receiving treatment for a wrist injury received in Germany.



LT. COL. HAL MULDROW

## 45th Division Leader

Lt. Col. Hal Muldrow, 45th "Thunderbird" Division artillery officer, is home on terminal leave which expires in December. Colonel Muldrow recently returned from the European theater of operations, having been in the Mediterranean and European campaigns.

When Colonel Muldrow went overseas in his military assignment, he was still a member of the executive board of the University of Oklahoma Association. During the many months of hard fighting through which the colonel and his men were forced to go in Europe, the going was never too "rough or tough" for Colonel Muldrow to send in up-to-the-minute news items, interesting incidents and particularly casualty reports on O. U. men fighting the war in that theater. Recently while the Executive Secretary-Manager of the Association was on official business in the War Department in Washington, a high-ranking Army officer, when he learned that Ted Beard lived in Norman, Oklahoma, stated, "My friend, you live in a mighty famous southwestern spot! Made so because of a Norman hero, namely Lt. Col. Hal L. Muldrow. When the history of World War II is written, Hal Muldrow will be one of the five outstanding officers listed on those pages."

Colonel Muldrow, '28bus, and Mrs. Muldrow (Clara Mae Bell, '26), who has been making her home with her mother in Purcell, are at home in Norman now.

- ▶ Maj. George A. Inglis, '38bs, Oklahoma City, stationed at Leghorn, Italy, called his wife and mother from Rome on September 7. Major Inglis has been overseas for 30 months.
- ▶ Flight Engineer Floyd Stark, '43, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Dallas, Texas, where he is with the Ferry Command. Mr. Stark has been in the service for two years.
- ▶ Lt. Barker Shirley, '32law, Norman, has been transferred to Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, from Monroe, Louisiana. He is assistant base mess supervisor.
- ▶ Technician 4th Grade Horace D. Ballaine, '31law, Oklahoma City, has been with the Replacement Command since his arrival overseas in July, 1944. He is now attached to the G-1 Section in charge of movements at Command Headquarters in Manila.
- ▶ Capt. Vernon F. "Red" Bone, '40, has been serving at a B-29 bomber base on Okinawa.
- ▶ Lt. Bert B. Barefoot, Jr., '37law, Oklahoma City, left recently for overseas assignment. He has been stationed in Santa Monica, California, where he was judge advocate.
- ▶ Capt. Jack C. Jones, USMCR, '41bus, Oklahoma City, was on duty in the Tokyo area.
- ▶ Capt. Woodrow P. Wentzy, '40-'41, Norman, former assistant in journalism at the University, was transferred to New York to become production chief of the U. S. edition of *Air Force* magazine. Captain Wentzy, who has been overseas 24 months has had charge of the production of the magazine in the Far East.
- ▶ Lt. John A. McReynolds, '37ba, Norman, is an instructor in an Army educational program on Luzon. Lieutenant McReynolds holds the Bronze Star Medal and the Purple Heart.
- ▶ Lt. Col. John M. Virden, '29-'30, Seminole, is stationed in Calcutta, India, as an officer at the depot which handles the men homeward bound.
- ▶ Lt. Neal Boyd, '29-'31, Oklahoma City, recently reported for duty in Houston, Texas, at the Navy's contract termination office in the Neils Esperson Building.
- ▶ First Lt. Cecil B. Rollow, '37-'39, Oklahoma City, has been sent to Camp Ting Kao, Kunming, China, for redeployment. Lieutenant Rollow arrived by plane at Karachi, India, in July, 1945, and left the same month for Kunming, China, where he worked for the Office of Strategic Services.
- ▶ First Lt. Nicholas P. Vlahakis, '37-'41, Enid, has been serving in the Pacific theater of war with the Infantry. He served as an instructor of infantry tactics before leaving for overseas service.
- ▶ Second Lt. Duane E. Traylor, '43bus, Drummond, was among the first Americans to enter Vienna as members of General Mark W. Clark's United States Forces in Austria. Lieutenant Traylor has been overseas since December, 1944, and is assistant secretary, General Staff, USFA Headquarters.
- ▶ 1st Lt. Marvin O. Breeding, '43bus, Oklahoma City, has been assigned as a member of the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill. Lieutenant Breeding, holder of the Silver Star Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, and the ETO ribbon with two campaign stars, was formerly aide-de-camp to Brig. General Edward J. McGaw, commanding general of Division Artillery for the 63rd Infantry (Blood and Fire) Division. Lieutenant Breeding was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity while in the University.

## Back From the Battlefronts

Lt. Joe Frank Adams, '40-'42, Oklahoma City, returned recently after serving as a P-38 pilot in the Pacific theater of war for two and one half years. He has been placed on the inactive list of the army.

► Lt. Evans Chambers, '40med, Norman, is stationed at the naval hospital, Norman, after returning from 20 months duty in the Pacific.

► Capt. Roy Gilbert Johnson, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, received his discharge from the Army recently after serving overseas for 16 months and for the past 18 months has been stationed at Ardmore. His brother, Sgt. Herbert Johnson, '42bus, is still in the army stationed at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

► Lt. Col. Louis Vanderpool, '33, Norman, arrived early in September from the Pacific theater of war. Colonel Vanderpool was liaison officer in the Pacific Ocean area and was assistant beach control officer in the quartermaster supply department.

► Lt. (jg) J. Phillip Boyle, '42bs, Oklahoma City, was back in the states recently after serving for 13 months in the South Pacific as a member of the intelligence section in the Philippines.

► Alvin Henry Wheeler, yeoman second class, '23-'25, Norman, has been honorably discharged from the United States Navy at the Naval Receiving station, Galveston, Texas. Mr. Wheeler has served for several months in the Pacific with service forces.

► David Russell, '33-'37, Oklahoma City, recently received his honorable discharge from the army at the Brooks General hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Mr. Russell served in the European theater.

► Lt. George K. Massad, '42bus, Oklahoma City, returned to the United States a short time ago from France where he has been serving with the Army.

► Lt. Pren G. Hollingsworth, '42, Norman, received his honorable discharge from the army at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. Lt. Hollingsworth earned the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters along with the Purple Heart. He also wears the European Theater of Operations ribbon with seven bronze stars. He is now a student in the University of Oklahoma.

► Maj. William H. Witt, '32ba, returned to the states in March from France. He was made Chief of the Information and Education branch of the Redistribution Station at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

► Major Clarence D. Northcutt, '38law, returned recently from service overseas.

► Maj. Charles H. Davis, '35law, Oklahoma City, returned from Saipan where he was training officer for the 73rd bomb wing. Major Davis was on his terminal leave.

► Capt. Tom F. Pierce, '36, Oklahoma City, landed in New York recently returning from the European theater of operations.

► Staff Sgt. John W. "Jiggs" Lee, '37-'38, El Dorado, was discharged from the army July 24 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

► Maj. L. P. Smith, '25med, Marlow, recently returned from over two years overseas service.

► Capt. Paul Hodge, '33law, Abilene, Texas, assistant inspector general with headquarters of 11th Armored division of Patton's Third Army in Europe, returned to the states after serving overseas one year.

► Milton Hardy, '33law, Tulsa, recently was discharged from the Army and returned to his home in Tulsa. Mr. Hardy had the rank of captain at the time of his discharge.

► Capt. Charles Coates, '40bs, who has been with the Borden General Hospital, Chickasha, recently was granted his discharge from the Army. Captain Coates is the holder of the Air Medal and the DFC.

► First Lt. John L. Read, Jr., '40-'41, Norman, has been placed on inactive status in the Army Air Forces Reserve. He served as a navigator on a B-17 bomber in the 15th Air Force in Italy. He also wears the Air Medal.

► Ensign James Henry McGlothlin, '43, Oklahoma City, was stationed in Washington, D. C., following his return from overseas duty.

► Capt. S. M. "Mickey" Anderson, Jr., '41law, Wichita, Kansas, was recently discharged from the Army. He has been serving with a Field Artillery battalion and was at home in Wichita.

► Robert James Kurau, '42bs, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, was discharged from the Merchant Marines after serving two years in the South Pacific. He had the rank of third officer.

► Donald I. Lawless, '42, Wichita, Kansas, was relieved of active duty in the Army Air Corps August 30, 1945, and was at home in Wichita. He had the rank of captain at the time of his discharge.

► Lt. George F. Mobley, '38-'43, Chickasha, has returned from overseas duty and was stationed at Mac Dill Field, Tampa, Florida. He holds the Air Medal.

► Cpl. Joe I. Myers, '41-'43, Yukon, returned to the states recently from overseas service and was stationed at Kearns, Utah.

► Lewis C. Taylor, '35ba, '36bs, '38med, was discharged from the Army January 24, 1945, at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. At the time of his discharge he had the rank of captain.

► Col. William E. Corkill, '16ba, Henryetta, arrived recently at Letterman General hospital, San Francisco. Colonel Corkill was in a Japanese prison camp since the fall of the Philippines.

► Derald Swineford, '31fa, Enid, has on display African jewelry and other souvenirs from his personal collection. He was discharged from the Army Air Corps and has resumed his studies as a graduate student at the University.



*For meritorious service during the Fifth Army campaign in Italy, Major Quynnton R. Hampton '37-'41, Norman, is congratulated by Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott, Jr., Fifth Army Commander, after being presented the Bronze Star medal.*

► D. A. Smith, Jr., '42, Norman, was discharged from the Army August 20 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. He holds the Bronze Star Medal and held the rank of lieutenant at the time of his discharge.

► Dr. Lorenz D. Huff, '27ba, '28ms, Norman, received his discharge from the Navy recently and was at Clemson College, South Carolina. He held the rank of lieutenant at the time of his discharge.

► Sam William Burns, '31, Lexington, received his medical discharge from the Navy in December, 1944. He is now employed by the Weekly County Press.

► Lt. Joe Graham Barbee, '39-'43, Oklahoma City, has returned to the States from overseas service where he was stationed with the 1700th Engineering Corps. He was stationed at Camp Claiborn, Louisiana.

► Forrest Estel Love, '32eng, Checotah, was discharged from the Army September, 1945. He held the rank of lieutenant colonel at the time of his discharge.

► Lt. Warren G. Myers, '40, Norman, has returned to the States after several months overseas service. He is a holder of the Bronze Star Medal.

► Cpl. Leo G. Presley, '41-'42, Elk City, has returned to the states from overseas and was stationed at Terminal Island, San Pedro, California.

► Lt. T. H. Ramsing, '37-'40, was stationed in Stonington, Connecticut, after returning from overseas service.

► SKD I/c Henry J. Ridings, '33bus, Oklahoma City, is back from overseas duty and stationed at Camp Parks, California.

► Cpl. Bill C. Tucker, '43geol, returned recently from overseas duty and was stationed at Camp Cooke, California.

► Pfc. Melvin Tindel, '41-'43, Hydro, returned to the states recently from La Havre, France, and has been reassigned to Camp Swift, Texas.

► Capt. Guy Anthony, '31-'32, and Technical Sgt. Ray Anthony, '34bus, Oklahoma City, have both returned to their desks at the C. R. Anthony Co. in Oklahoma City. Captain Anthony received the Bronze Star for being the officer in charge of supplying the Leyte invasion. Sergeant Anthony was awarded the DFC and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

► W. O. Ralph W. Delaney, '30, recently returned from overseas service in the Pacific. He was in Washington, D. C.

► Technical Sgt. Doris Clay Robinson, '27-'28, Altus, is the first Jackson county WAC to receive her discharge under the point system.

► Capt. Garland L. May, '31-'34, Norman, has returned home on terminal leave from Europe. He wears three battle stars on his ETO ribbon. Captain May returned to the states aboard the Queen Mary.

► Lt. James N. Landrum, '39-'40, Dallas, Texas, has returned from overseas duty and was stationed at Santa Ana, California.

► Maj. Isaac Nolan Taylor, '40eng, Oklahoma City, is with the Student Officer Detachment at Bryant Army Air Field, Bryant, Texas. He recently returned from overseas service where he was

► First Lt. Oliver W. Curtis, '38-'40, Sapulpa, returned from the Pacific war theater recently after serving for the past year. For the last three months he was on Okinawa. Lieutenant Curtis has been made an instructor at Pensacola, Florida.

► Maj. Charles Harry Mee, '30ba, Oklahoma City, returned from the European theater of operations after a year and a half of service. He wears the Bronze Star Medal.

► Lt. John O. Goffe, '42, Sulphur, is expecting to be discharged soon and will resume his studies at the University the second semester.

► Lt. Col. Delbert Haynes, '37eng, Norman, reported to Fort Shelby, Mississippi for reassignment or discharge after returning to the states from Europe where he has been for the last 14 months. He earned three battle stars, was awarded the Bronze Star and wears the ETO ribbon.

► Capt. W. E. Hammon, Jr., '39-'42, Ardmore, has resumed his studies at the University interrupted January, 1942. He has been serving as flight leader with the Airborne Infantry. Mr. Hammond was awarded the Air Medal, Silver Star with four clusters, Bronze Star and Presidential Unit Citation.

► Maj. Richard L. Downing, '14-'15, '24-'26, Norman, has returned to his home in Norman from Arlington, Virginia, where he was stationed. Major Downing was on terminal leave.

► Maj. James O. Hood, '31med, Norman has returned to the States from the European theater of war. He was with the 45th Division in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. awarded the Air Medal.

► Thomas Black, '25bs, and '38m.ed, has been discharged from the Army and is making his home in Hardtner, Kansas. While in the Army Mr. Black had the rank of staff sergeant.

► Maj. George H. Stroud, '28, Oklahoma City, has returned from France where he has been serving with the Army for the last three years.

► Lt. (jg) Alvin Weber, '42-'44, Sayre, returned recently from the Pacific area where he has been since March, 1944. He participated in the campaigns at Guam, Saipan, the Philippines and Okinawa.

► Lt. David R. Montgomery, '33bus, Henryetta, landed in San Francisco, a short time ago from Guam where he was stationed as stock control and logistics officer. His wife and daughter, Nancy Ann, make their home in Weleetka.

- Col. Everett G. King, '33med, Cordell, has returned from overseas service and was stationed as executive officer at Hammond General Hospital, Modesto, California.
- Lt. Col. Merton E. Munson, '31law, Lawton, returned recently from overseas duty. He wears the Silver Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster.
- Lt. Harold M. Nelson, '40-'43, Shidler, Oklahoma, returned a short time ago from overseas duty where he served with the 127th Replacement Battalion. He wears the Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters. Lieutenant Nelson was stationed at the Childress Army Air Base, Childress, Texas.
- Capt. Leslie M. Boring, '34bus, Oklahoma City, has returned from North Africa and Italy and received his discharge at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.
- Tech. Sgt. Roland B. Close, '40, Norman, returned recently after 21 months duty in the Pacific. Sergeant Close served as crew chief on a B-25 Mitchell, with the "Crusaders," veteran medium bombardment unit of the Jungle Air Force.

## Killed in Action

Lt. James White, '41-'43, was killed September 2 in a plane returning from China to its base on Okinawa. Lieutenant White was an assistant group operations officer on Okinawa and was awarded the Air Medal and two Oak Leaf Clusters July 15.

► Tharon A. Park, pharmacist's mate first class, '36pharm, Oklahoma City, was killed June 21, 1945, off Okinawa when a Japanese suicide plane hit his ship, the USS Curtiss. He had served aboard the Curtiss since September, 1943, and participated in every major invasion in the Pacific from October, 1943, until the Okinawa invasion.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. A. J. Francois and son, Cleve, Okmulgee, his father, Riley William Park, Lawton, a brother, Lt. Robert Aldo Park, USNR, '33ba, Oklahoma City.

► First Lt. Hooley B. Raper, '39law, Cleveland, was reported killed in action August, 1944. He was previously listed as missing in action in France.

► Capt. Bressen C. Holtzschue, '34ba, Oklahoma City, died in the Walter Reed hospital, Washington, D. C., September, 1945. Captain Holtzschue had been in the Army since February, 1941.

► F/O Earle Payne Miller, '40-'42, Tulsa, was killed July 14 when the large bomber in which he was flying crashed on a routine flight at Hendricks Field, Sebring, Florida. Flight Officer Miller enlisted in the Air Corps in June, 1942 and went into training in February, 1943.

## Injured

Lt. Allan "Bus" West, '40-'43, was in Woodrow Wilson Hospital, Stanton, Virginia, recovering from a broken nose and concussion of the brain, results of a smashup in a jeep. He had dislocated his hip and broken his leg in an earlier mishap.

## The Northwest Engineer

Until his entry into the armed forces of World War II, Lt. S. T. Husky, Alva, '35eng, served as a class representative on the advisory council to the executive board of the Alumni Association. Recently a Seattle, Washington, newspaper ran the following "first and last" news item about Lt. Husky:

Lt. S. T. Husky has the distinction of going out with the first and last seaplane tender built in the Pacific Northwest. The *U.S.S. Rockaway* which was built at the Associated Shipyards and was the first AVP put into commission in this area, had Lt. Husky assigned to her as Engineering Officer.

Last March 2 Lt. Husky was detached from the *Rockaway* and assigned to the *U.S.S. Greenwich Bay*, the last of the twenty-five AVP's built at Lake Washington Shipyards. He reported here



Lt. S. T. HUSKY

March 19 and will again serve as Engineering Officer. Husky hails from Alva, Oklahoma. He has a wife and 5-year-old daughter who now reside in Miami, Oklahoma.

## Death in Service

Capt. Lloyd D. Bettis, '35eng, Norman, was killed October 13 in an automobile accident at Dalhart, Texas, where he was stationed. Details of the accident were not known. Serving as a reserve officer in the R.O.T.C., Captain Bettis was called into active duty in September, 1941. He served approximately three years with the Air Corps overseas, being stationed in Iceland 17 months, and serving in England, France, Germany and Italy before being returned to the United States. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Bettis, Norman, and his wife, Mrs. Lloyd D. Bettis (Florine Parnell, '32he), and daughter, Noda Alice, also of Norman.

## Those Artman Boys

Lt. (jg) Joseph L. Artman, '41-'44, Norman, is now in Japan but expects to be home by Christmas and will enroll in the University after receiving his discharge. He was awarded the Silver Star for "distinguishing himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity in action in February, 1945, as a member of an assault unit during the assault and capture of Iwo Jima." Lieutenant Artman is with a volunteer unit of the Navy known as the Underwater Demolition Unit which, until the information was released on August 23, has been a closely guarded military secret.

The men of the Demolition Unit wear diving masks with a circular glass plate over their eyes to permit vision under water and rubber fins on their feet to help them plow through the surf.

They were sent in to enemy-held islands to demolish man-made and natural obstacles, to dive down to the coral reefs, set off their demolition charges which they carried on their backs, and blow channels and entries through the reefs, so that invasion crafts could land on the beach rather than being held up on the off-shore rocks. A minimum training requirement of the unit is to be able to dive 17 feet deep into the sea and swim through a mile of rough seas with 45 to 60 pounds of explosives under enemy fire.

Lt. Jim P. Artman, '43ba, a brother of Joe, is with the Marines on Guam in an anti-aircraft battalion, and has been overseas 21 months. The two brothers were together once for a few days when Joe flew in to Guam from Ulithi while resting from the Okinawa campaign.

## \$1,900 Award Received

Oklahoma Indian scientific resources will be studied by Sgt. Kenneth G. Orr, who will assume his duties as head of the University of Oklahoma department of anthropology after he is released from the army, under a \$1,900 demobilization award by the Social Science Research Council of New York and Washington. The award is made to social scientists of exceptional promise whose careers have been disrupted by service in the armed forces.

## O. U. Grad Appointed Hospital Commanding Officer

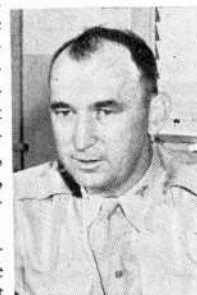
Lt. Col. Clyde Kernek, '37med, has been announced as the new commanding officer of Brooke Convalescent Hospital by Brig. Gen. Geo. C. Beach, commanding general of Brooke Hospital Center. Colonel Kernek succeeds Col. William C. McCally who is returning to civilian life to be clinical professor of surgery at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, the position he held prior to entering the Army in January, 1942.

Colonel Kernek has been a staff officer at Brooke since April 1, 1941. His early assignments were those of a ward officer, assistant detachment commander, and detachment commander. Reporting as a first lieutenant, he was promoted to captain in January, 1942, to major in July, 1942, and to lieutenant colonel last month.

From February 1943 until October 25, 1944, he was hospital inspector, at that time being appointed executive officer of the hospital.

He was appointed chief of the reconditioning service of the Convalescent Hospital, May 21st of this year, however, both as hospital inspector and executive officer of the general hospital he had continual contact with the reconditioning unit since it was first established in August 1943, as a part of Brooke General Hospital.

A graduate of the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma, he interned at Syracuse (N. Y.) Memorial Hospital, held residency at Oklahoma City General Hospital, and was practicing in Holdenville, prior to entering service.



Lt. COL. KERNEK

## Promotions

Recently promoted to colonel were: Robert H. Jones, '33-'34, Oklahoma City; Clyde Kernek, '37 med, Holdenville.

Those advanced to the rank of major include: Monford D. Grimes, '40ms, Tulsa, staff officer in a B-29 aircraft engineering office on Guam; James Wallender, '40eng, Tyler, Texas; Howard M. Mc-Bee, '41law, Oklahoma City; Irving A. Shefts, '24-'25, San Antonio, Texas, liaison officer with the petroleum section of the India-Burma Theater headquarters; Lansing H. Myers, '36, Oklahoma City, Far East air service command in the Southwest Pacific.

Alumni recently promoted to captain include the following: George E. Wadsack, '40geol, Norman; William C. Bell, '34-'37, Tulsa, AAF Training Command pilot school at Perrin Field, Texas; James Ralph Kennedy, '41med; Clyde Vincent Kern, '38med, Tulsa.

Those advanced to the rank of first lieutenant include: C. W. McConnell, '38bus, Oklahoma City, Medical Administration Corps; Clyde D. Martin, '40-'42, Wirt; Frank Averill Knapp, Jr., '40-'43, Fort Worth, Texas; Harold W. Baker, '39journal; Wilton Jones, '42-'43, who delivered the commencement address at graduation exercises at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Those promoted to second lieutenant include: E. Bob Cole, '40-'43, Norman, graduated from the Officer Candidate School at Fontainebleau, France, and now traveling from camp to camp before being permanently located for further service; Wilson Hayes Holliday, '41-'43, Muskogee.

The promotion of staff sergeant has been given to Dwain T. Haxel, '39-'40, Norman, serving with an Engineer Pontoon Bridge company stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. Nathal Northcutt, '42-'43, Lexington, has been promoted to sergeant in the Air Corps. Tom C. Callahan, '42, Oklahoma City, has been promoted to corporal.

Those receiving the rank of private first class include: John B. Kennedy, '34, Muskogee; Clay T. McCleskey, '26-'27, Lipan, Texas; Robert V. Lowry, '27-'29, Pawhuska; Dewey W. Eubanks, '43, Grady, who was injured on Iwo Jima; Franklin J. Moskowitz, '42-'43, Tulsa, radio operator in a fighter control unit in the Philippines.

Advanced to the rank of commander in the Navy were Harold Abernethy, '39med, Altus, stationed on Saipan; Wylie G. Chestnut, '23, Miami, on duty at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

Those promoted to lieutenant junior grade include: William David King, '40-'42, Weleetka; Edward H. Judson, '43eng; George L. Knapp, Jr., '37ba, Fort Worth, Texas; Jack C. Felber, '41-'44, Tulsa; William L. Hixon, III, '42eng; Robert E. Faulds, Jr., '42ba, Tulsa, Naval Medical Corps at Baylor University school of dentistry, who was transferred to the New Orleans Naval Repair Base; Raymond Barnett, '43eng, Watonga, engineer on a LCI in the Southwest Pacific for the last 14 months.

Leo A. Markley, '40-'43, Ada, has been promoted to the rank of ensign.

## Discharged

Maj. James O. Hood, '31med, Norman, has received his discharge from the Army at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, and is now on terminal leave. Major Hood, a surgeon with the 45th Infantry division, was overseas 27 months. He served in the Italian campaigns before going to France with the Invasion forces, and later to Germany. He wears the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart with cluster, and the Combat Medic's badge. Major Hood is a former physician and mayor of Norman, and former director of the Cleveland County Health department.

► Capt. Tom Campbell, '37eng, Hennessey, has received a discharge from the Army. Captain Campbell served with the 3rd Corps Artillery overseas, before he was separated from the service at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

► S/Sgt. Alonzo Z. Mentzer, '28ba, '30fa, Pawnee, was honorably discharged from the Army Air Forces at the Randolph Field Separation Center at Randolph Field Texas. He served as a weather forecaster in the AAF Weather Service and was last assigned to the 3rd Weather Region, which has headquarters at Kelly Field, Texas.

Upon his release from the Weather Service, Sgt. Mentzer received the commendation of his Commanding Officer, Col. Oscar A. Heinlein, Regional Control Officer of the 3rd Weather Region for "contributing to the outstanding achievements made by the AAF Weather Service throughout the world."

Col. Heinlein added that, "Sgt. Mentzer performed highly specialized work in the field of weather for which there was little individual glory. However, his work and that of other Army weathermen played an important role in enabling the Army Air Forces to achieve a splendid record during the war. By making possible accurate weather forecasts, a maximum number of successful missions with a minimum loss of personnel and equipment resulted."

► Lieut. Comdr. Elmer D. Dixon, '33eng, has been placed on the inactive list at the Naval Air Station in New Orleans, Louisiana after almost three years of service. Formerly an electrical engineer with the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company at Enid, he served 17 months overseas as executive repair officer aboard the USS Maui. He plans to return to his former work.

## Liberated

Col. James V. Collier, '34ba, Oklahoma City, who was taken prisoner of the Japanese on Bataan, has recently been freed. Colonel Collier is a former R.O.T.C. staff instructor at the University. The information received of his release was the first in two years.

► Lt. Richard L. Duckwall, '34-'40, Tuttle, has been released from a Japanese prison camp. Lieutenant Duckwall was captured on Bataan and was taken to Cabanatuan camp in the Philippines. He was moved to Japan last year.

► Lt. Col. Ralph W. Hubbard, '32med, Oklahoma City, was released February 1 from Cabanatuan prison camp in the Philippines. He has been selected to serve on the national Veterans of Foreign Wars rehabilitation committee.

► Maj. Carlos E. McAfee, '28law, Oklahoma City, was released from a Japanese prison camp recently. Major McAfee was taken prisoner at the fall of Bataan in April, 1942 and was transferred to Osaka late that year. He remained there until September, 1943, when he was sent to Zentsuji.

► Maj. George M. Hohl, '24bus, Sand Springs, has been liberated from the internment camp at Zentsuji, Japan.

## Decorations

Captain Joe T. Glover, '40eng, Amarillo, Texas, as group engineering officer for the 27th Fighter Group overseas, has been awarded the Legion of Merit medal. Having served 34 months overseas in the Mediterranean and European theatres of war, Captain Glover has eight campaign stars and five Presidential Unit Citations, also.

► Cpl. Henry G. Samuelson, Jr., '40-'41, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Meritorious Service Unit wreath, European Theater of Operations ribbon, three Bronze Campaign Participation Stars to the E.T.O. Ribbon and the Good Conduct Medal.

► Lt. Col. Charles S. Standley, '34-'35, Noble, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for service against the enemy at Hollandia and Toem, Dutch New Guinea, and Morotai, Netherlands East Indies.

► Lt. Col. Stephen D. Holloway, '30law, Oklahoma City, has received the Bronze Star for action against the enemy in France, Luxembourg and Germany. Colonel Holloway has been overseas since April, 1944.

► Lt. Col. Stewart E. Meyers, '24-'27, Oklahoma City, was awarded the Bronze Star Oak Leaf Cluster. Colonel Meyers is the owner of two Battle Stars, which he wears on an Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon, and the Combat Infantry Badge. He had previously been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for the defense of Emirau Island in the Bismark Archipelago.

► Lt. (jg) Jack Van Doren Hough, '44med, Shattuck, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for duty while serving as a battalion surgeon with the 23rd Marine Regiment at Iwo Jima. Lieutenant Hough also attended Southeastern State College, Durant.

► Capt. George V. Stein, '41law, Miami, Oklahoma, wears five battle stars on his European Theater of Operations ribbon as well as the Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

► Lt. Col. Webster Wilder, '33law, Cherokee, has been awarded two Bronze Stars on his Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon in addition to the Chinese Service Medal.

► Capt. William M. Sammons, '38-'42, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Air Medal with two clusters, the Purple Heart and the European Theater of Operations ribbon.

► Pfc. Oscar Randall Braman, '44, Norman, was presented the Bronze Star Medal August 14 at Fellbach, Germany.

► Staff Sgt. Jerry J. James, '39, Miami, recently was awarded the Air Medal. Sergeant James has been in the Army since October, 1942.

► Lt. (jg) Wayne L. McGann, '42eng, Kansas City, Missouri, has been awarded the Bronze Star, Letter of Commendation, Submarine Combat Insignia with four stars, the Asiatic-Pacific theater ribbon, American theater ribbon and the Philippine Liberation ribbon.

► Lt. John Allen Moore, '42eng, Oklahoma City, received the Bronze Star Medal for duty at a peninsular base headquarters, Leghorn, Italy.

► Sgt. Wedekind Ward, '41med, Erick, has been commended for outstanding duty with the 1st AACS Group, somewhere in the Pacific war area. Sergeant Ward has completed 14 months of overseas duty with the Army Air Corps.

# Medical School

Capping exercises for the University of Oklahoma School of Nursing were held in the medical school auditorium October 1, 1945. Twenty nurses received their caps, which were presented by Miss Kathryn Krammes, Director of the School of Nursing.

Dr. Patrick S. Nagle, Associate in Surgery, has received a year's leave of absence from October 1, 1945 to October 1, 1946.

Extension of leave of absence was granted Dr. Donald B. McMullen, Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine and Public Health to go with the Army of Occupation in Japan for a survey of schistosomiasis, for a period of about six weeks, starting October 15.

Dr. John W. Cavanaugh, Assistant Professor of Surgery, has resigned from the faculty of the School of Medicine, effective October 31.

Recent visitors at the School of Medicine: Dr. E. Curtis Yeary, '39med, has been discharged from the Army after having been on active duty since 1941. Dr. Yeary spent several months in a German prison camp.

Captain Ray M. Wadsworth, '42med, has been stationed at Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky.

Dr. Harold B. Witten, '36med, who recently received a discharge from the Army, has accepted a residency at the Valley View Hospital, Ada, Oklahoma.

Dr. J. William Campbell, '39med, has been discharged from the Army and is serving a residency in ophthalmology at the University of Virginia Hospital, Richmond, Virginia.

Dr. James D. Huskins, '38med, has been discharged from the Army, after having been on active duty since 1941, and will enter private practice in Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Dr. Homer C. Wheeler, '38med, has received an honorable discharge from the Army, and at present is in Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

Captain George E. Dodson, '40med, is on terminal Army leave until December 21, and at present is residing in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

## Correspondence (Continued)

Dear Mr. Beard: Guam

Since I last heard from you I have traveled from sunny North Carolina across thousands of miles of land and water to this quaint old Island of Guam. . . .

Guam really fascinated me at first but it is gradually wearing off day by day. The largest city, Agana, is still a mass of rubble. Some of the ancient structures are still partly standing but were riddled by naval gunfire. A great portion of the city was destroyed by Jap demolitions. The villages have all been rebuilt by our Government. The houses are a frame structure painted various pastel colors but still have the thatched roof. As far as the military is concerned the Island is a mass of supply sources and we are one of the largest. The B-29 bases are really a sight, literally hundreds of planes lined up as far as the eye can reach.

Our function is to supply all Marine units operating on or from the Island. Right now with units being disbanded and other units occupying various Islands and two mainlands we really have our hands full. I really have a wonderful job. I am the Administrative Assistant to the Depot Commander and his Supply Officer, both Colonels. It is all paper work and never a dull moment, for example tonight we had a rush order for tents due to a hurricane destroying some 10,000 on Okinawa.

Since I am the Staff Duty Officer tonight I suppose I had better make a short tour. I say short because if I made a long tour I would undoubtedly get soaked. It rains intermittently night and day. . . .

Very truly yours,  
Ken Farris, '43bus  
1st Lt. USMCR