



With the Colors

Dec. 28, 1942

In a letter from Ensign Roy F. Stanley Jr. to his grand-mother, Mrs. W. H. Stanley of Newton, he says: "Please tell Aunt Blanche (Mrs. Roy Robards) that I'll write her as soon as possible but that I've been working from ten to fourteen hours a day, seven days a week, here and I have to catch up on my correspondence as I can.

"My new job is swell and I am aide to the commanding officer. He's Captain Miller of Jacksonville, whom I knew there. I wish I could be home for Christmas but that's a day I have been able to celebrate in the United States only twice in eight years, so I'm kind of used to it now."

He is believed to be somewhere in the far east with the United States Naval Air Force.

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Corporal Kermit Cox, who is somewhere in New Guinea with a bomber squadron, writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cox of Yale vicinity under date of November 29: "Tomorrow is pay day and I am going to send you about \$65.00 to put away for me. Money is no good over here. All I need is enough to buy cigarettes and toilet articles. The other boys went to the show tonight, so I am taking care of the first aid station. I've got everything to myself except for the mosquitoes, and I have plenty of them for company.

"This climate sure takes the pep out of me. I hardly have enough ambition to eat when I'm hungry."

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Private First Class Wayne J. Cummins, formerly of Jasper county is with the Infantry and was in the battle of Makin in the Gilbert islands, where Colonel Conroy was killed. His brother, Corporal Lloyd L. Cummins, is with the Fifth Army in Italy. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Cummins formerly of near Rose Hill, now of Hornbrook, California.

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Mrs. Erma Graham and Mrs. Marvin Earnest of Newton, grand-mother and aunt, respectively, have received announcements of the birth of George Warner Graham Jr., December 22. He weighed seven pounds and twelve ounces. Warner, who is in the Navy, married a Miami, Florida, girl a year ago and they reside at Key West. He is on the South Atlantic patrol.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newsome received a letter from their son, Torpedoman Third Class Thomas Newsome, who is somewhere at sea with the Navy. It was the first message they had received from him since August.

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Mrs. James Beebe of Newton is in receipt of a letter from her husband, who is somewhere in Africa, stating that he was well but had a new address. He sent a hand wrought silver ring bearing the words, "Oran, Africa, 1943," to his father-in-law, Earl Minco of Newton.

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Edward Foltz Jr. returned to Berea,

Kentucky, Monday after a short over-Christmas furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Foltz and family of Newton. He is a Naval aviation student at Berea college and says that the work keeps him busy.

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Sergeant Clayton Wright and two of his friends, Privates First Class Arthur Anderson of Fresno, California, and Chandler Grannis of Montclair, New Jersey, were over-Christmas guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Wright of Newton. They were unable to go home on Christmas because of the distance.

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Lieutenant Glenn Bayles spent over Christmas with his mother, Mrs. R. E. Bayles of Newton and other relatives. He is an instructor at the Naval Aviation school at Ames, Iowa. He made the trip by plane to Effingham, landing at the airport there.

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Louis L. Huss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Huss of near Sainte Marie, is spending a twelve day leave with his parents and relatives over the holiday season. He was stationed at Great Lakes where he finished his "boot" training.

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Scott Ross and Miss Lorna Ross have been here on a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Ross. Mrs. Ross, who has been quite ill, is much better. Scott is in the Navy.

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Private First Class Paul Jean Reep was an over Christmas visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Verner L. Reep of Newton. He is being sent to Alabama in a few days.

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Lieutenant William Mineo telephoned his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Mineo of Newton, Thursday that he was on his way overseas. He is a bombardier on a Liberator bomber.

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Miss Virginia Ann Graham, who is in the Waves, has been promoted to seaman second class. She is stationed at Arlington, Virginia.

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Corporal Donald R. Short of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, is here for a fourteen day furlough visiting relatives near Willow Hill and Newton.