



With the Colors

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Corporal Lowell W. Brown of Cherry Point, North Carolina, writes his sister, Mrs. Cecil Chesnut of near Wakefield, that he likes it much better at Cherry Point, because it is strictly a Marine base. He says: "Our chow is really good. Although we are having very hot weather, they tell me it will be much hotter yet; that it was 110 in the hangar last summer, which is a very shady place."

Willard graduated from an Air Mechanic's school at Jacksonville, Florida, in June, and was sixth highest out of a class of 130, which gave him the rating of corporal. He made a good grade on his general classification and mechanical tests, which everyone in service had to take. This all entitled him to apply for flight training, and after passing a stiff physical test, he went before a flight board and was passed for this.

He was then sent to Cherry Point Marine Corps Air station to await an opening at a training base to go to pre-flight school. While he is standing by, he is using his mechanical training, working on airplanes there.

For anyone who wishes to write him, his address is Corporal Lowell W. Brown, A. E. S. squadron 46, M. C. A. S., Cherry Point, North Carolina.

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Sergeant Stanley R. Hynes and Corporal Don Hartrich are home on furloughs from the Twenty-seventh Evacuation hospital unit, which has been on maneuvers in Tennessee. They have a week with relatives at Sainte Marie and Newton. The Twenty-seventh is the largest hospital unit in the United States, with forty-eight doctors, fifty-two nurses and five hundred men. Sergeant Hynes expects to be placed in charge of a ward when he returns.

He said they have cared for over 2,000 men since being on maneuvers for everything from appendicitis through broken arms and legs to Rocky Mountain spotted fever and encephalitis and lost only two of them, both pneumonia patients who were too far gone when they reached the hospital to have anything done for them.

They also have 3,000 wounded German prisoners, captured in North Africa and returned to the United States for internment.

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Private First Class Donnace Emery of Newton is now with his regiment in Lamar, Arkansas, rebuilding roads and bridges all through the flooded area. He writes: "We just got off a job in Dumas, Arkansas, building levees. We are stationed right on top of a mountain here in the Ozarks. It sure is nice scenery out here.

"Maybe I'll be home again soon to see my friends as I have a furlough coming up in August. I would like for some of my friends to send me Robert Jones's address. I would sure like to write him. My address is Private First Class Donnace Emery, Company C, 372 Engineer regiment, Camp Chaffee, Arkansas."

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Sergeant and Mrs. Lyle Earnest of Camp Butner, North Carolina, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Earnest and daughter Mildred of near Falmouth, last week. Lyle returned to Camp Butner, Monday but his wife is now visiting her mother, Mrs. Watson Mayhood of Effingham. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Earnest and son Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Earnest and daughter Sharon and Mrs. Annie Earnest spent Sunday with them at the Earnest home. Mr. and Mrs. Myerett Russell were afternoon call-

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hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eber Whitehurst of Lis vicinity, has just completed primary pilot training at the 74th Army Air Force Contract Flying school at Vichy, Missouri. This is one of the many such training schools of the Army Air Forces Southeast Training center of the Flying Training command. He will continue his training at one of the Basic Flying schools.

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Captain Medfred S. Riley, who has been stationed at Lawson General hospital at Atlanta, Georgia, has been transferred to Camp Forrest, near Tullahoma, Tennessee. Mrs. Riley and son Bobby are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wolf of Wheeler vicinity and Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Riley, Captain Riley's parents.

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Sergeant Clayton Wright was to leave for Urbana today after spending a week's furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Wright of Newton. He was transferred from the University of Louisiana at Baton Rouge to the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, where he will study languages.

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Captain Herman E. Gardner writes: "We're leaving Fort Sill, Oklahoma, for Camp Shelby, Mississippi. I'm going out as a battery commander to a new division, so we hope to be settled in Hattiesburg for the next nine or ten months."

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Private First Class Oscar D. Marrs a son of William H. Marrs of Gila vicinity, has been assigned to the technical school of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for training as a radio operator-mechanic.

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Mrs. Ardell Heady of Windsor, Connecticut, is visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Heady of Newton vicinity. Sergeant Heady is still in North Africa with a photographic squadron of the Army Air Force and was well when his wife heard from him a short time ago.

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John Halterman and son Roy of Dwight are visiting his mother, Mrs. Ella Halterman of Willow Hill. The latter is seriously ill. Mr. Halterman has four sons in the armed services, William and Robert in the Army and Kenneth and Roy in the Navy. Roy is stationed at Annapolis, Maryland.

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Sergeant Louis E. Mascher is spending a week's furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Mascher and family of Newton. He is stationed at Salt Lake City, Utah, with an Army Air Force unit.

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Private First Class Floyd Ferguson spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vint Ferguson and family and Miss Martella Birch. Private Ferguson is stationed at Nashville, Tennessee.

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Private First Class Donald Woodrow Wilson of Camp Campbell, Kentucky, spent the Fourth of July week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Wilson of Jewett vicinity.

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Private Ray A. Weber of Newton has been transferred to Charleston,

South Carolina. His address is Company I, SCC 3410 STAP, the Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina.

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Corporal George S. McColley is spending a week's furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. McColley at Newton. He is in the intelligence department of the Third Armored division at Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania, and says his duties have to do with map making.

George has been in nearly two years and has been in training in Louisiana, California, Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

John Batman of Centralia, a son of Delbert Batman of Newton, has been accepted by the Army.

Corporal Basil Autebery has returned to Camp Chafee, Arkansas, after spending a ten days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Autebery of Newton.

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Florent J. Schuch has been transferred from Peru, Indiana, to the Naval Air Station at Pensacola, Florida, the Annapolis of the air. He is an aviation cadet.

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Earl Jones, a chief petty officer in the United States Coast Guard, stationed at Brooklyn, New York, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Jones of Newton.

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Clifford Cleaver of West Liberty has been promoted to sergeant. He is a Military Police battalion and recently landed in Australia, his wife has learned.

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Robert Worcester has been sent to Camp Croft, South Carolina, for basic training and Paul Brackett to Camp Lee, Virginia.

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Lieutenant and Mrs. Donald J. Weber have moved to 1020 Houston, Manhattan, Kansas.