



## With the Colors

6/20/44

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Burgener of West Liberty have received word from their son, Sergeant Dwight Burgener, that he arrived back in San Diego, California all right. He was returning from a thirty day furlough here. He has now been transferred to the desert somewhere in California.

He recently returned from duty in the South Pacific where he was serving as a radioman in the Marines.

Their daughter, Mrs. Louis Morgan, recently received word from her husband that he has had his right arm broken in the wrist and elbow. He is serving with the Army in the New Hebrides islands in the South Pacific.

\* \* \* \* \*

Sergeant and Mrs. Delmar R. Lawler are the happy parents of a son, born early Friday morning, June 16, at the Effingham hospital. The little fellow has been named Robert Delmar.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark of Newton and Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Lawler of Bridgeport are the proud grandparents, and Mrs. Ella Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson of this city are great grand-parents.

Sergeant Lawler is stationed at Camp Ellis, near Peoria, but is home now on furlough getting acquainted with his son.

\* \* \* \* \*

Private Gordon W. Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Stanley of Newton vicinity, writes that he is now receiving treatment at Barnes General hospital at Vancouver Wash., for injuries received last February in a truck accident on Attu island in the Aleutians. He received a broken left arm and some fractured ribs, and says his arm, which had to be wired together, hasn't healed as it should. He has been out of the United States for twenty months.

His address is Ward 12, Barnes General hospital, Vancouver, Washington.

\* \* \* \* \*

Corporal George F. Smith has been located for the past year in Iran (Persia) with the Quartermaster division. He says it is quite hot there now, the temperature has risen to 138 degrees. Numerous dust storms occur and while crossing the desert in one of these it was impossible to see whether you were still on the trail. Recently he writes that he has seen Bobby Bowers, John Howard Ross and James Jourdan, and that it is sure swell to meet someone from Jasper county. He certainly appreciates the Press, even though they are old by the time he receives them.

\* \* \* \* \*

Citation for exemplary service and conduct has been made to Private Virgil D. Purcell of Hunt City. Private Purcell is a member of a Signal Air Warning battalion assigned to the Mediterranean Allied Coastal Air Force and was recently awarded the **Army Good Conduct** medal.

Private Purcell's unit has the vital job of detecting enemy aircraft prior to their arrival in Allied controlled territory. Through the information this unit passes to the fighter control sector to which it is attached defensive measures are taken.

\* \* \* \* \*

Private George H. Phillips left

Monday for a camp in South Carolina for reassignment, after a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Albert Phillips of Newton. He was in England when he developed a brain abscess and was sent home for treatment. Penicillin, the wonder drug, cleared it up without an operation.

\* \* \* \* \*

Master Sergeant Dwight L. Huddleston returned to Camp Campbell, Kentucky, Wednesday evening after spending a ten day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huddleston of Yale. He will be transferred soon.

\* \* \* \* \*

Captain Francis Richards of Camp Dedrich, Maryland, writes his mother, Mrs. L. A. Richards of Newton, that he recently met Major Gilbert Ransom, grand-son of Mrs. Ella Clark of Newton and found him feeling fine.

\* \* \* \* \*

Corporal Raymond Gregory is here on a furlough from Fort Sill, Oklahoma, visiting relatives and friends here. He says that he hasn't seen any of the men from Jasper county, who are stationed at Fort Sill.

\* \* \* \* \*

Corporal Wendell Collins, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Collins of Yale, is home from England, where he was stationed with an armored division. He has been given a discharge from the Army.

\* \* \* \* \*

Private Robert Kerner is home from overseas for a visit with his wife and his father, Will Kerner. He has been in Italy.