

News From Former Employees Now In Service

WRITES FROM ENGLAND

Cpl. Randall Lankford writes from somewhere in England: "... Even though I am far away I hope to be back soon . . . I am still doing the same type work and like England fairly well. Of course, there are a lot of things we were accustomed to in the States that we don't have here, but I guess we have a lot to be thankful for. Cigarettes are plentiful for the forces and the food is good . . . How is the bowling league coming along? Boy, how I would like to be one of the members again! . . . Give my regards to Mr. Straus and express my appreciation for all the wonderful things he does for the boys . . ."

HAS TRAVELED MANY MILES

Troy A. Drake, Coxswain, writes from a Fleet P. O.: "... I was up to visit the plant and my fellow workers in January on my leave but since then I've traveled many a mile . . . I'm not able to say where I am as yet, but maybe in the future, although I can say I'm over where the war started and imagine I'll be there 'til it's finished. It will take some time but we can wait . . . The weather here is pretty nice. Anyway, you can sleep—that is if you don't have too many mosquitoes around . . . Our mail situation has been grand. Doesn't take but a week or ten days to reach us, which is unusual. Three months passed in Africa before we received any . . . Helps out to know where the fellows are. Can't ever tell. Liable to run into them anywhere around the world . . . must sign off now as we're having mail call and I sure can't miss that . . ."

HAS FUN IN ENGLAND

Pfc. Cortez Hyder writes from England: "... I am still in England and am still liking it fine. I am also getting much better acquainted with the ways of the people over here. I go on passes quite often and usually manage to have quite a bit of fun from the things there are to do for entertainment here. The people here seem to be very nice and friendly to the American soldiers . . ."

PROUD OF ECUSTANS HELP

Clifford D. Cagle, Ships Cook, 1-c, writes from the British Isles: "... It makes me kinda proud to show the fellows the Echo and brag about these nice people I worked with and all they are doing to help with the war effort. Tell them for all of us we appreciate their efforts very much . . . Give all the cafeteria crew my regards and tell them I am still feeding a lot of hungry sailors who are doing a darn good job . . ."

RECEIVES EAR INJURY

2nd. Lt. Ben Rickman writes from McDill Field, Tampa, Fla.: "... I enjoyed my visit to the plant . . . Recently I had an ear injured when lightning struck my radio while flying through a storm and have just been grounded by the flight surgeon as they haven't been able to do anything for me, so I don't know how long it will be before I am able to fly again. I am still in charge of my crew, but will be relieved soon by another airplane commander. I have recommendations for an engineering officer in the air corps, as I had the 2nd. highest record in my studies in engineering at Sebring, Fla.; so will let you know where I go when I am relieved . . ."

ATTENTION, MILITARY PEOPLE

To all former employees on our Military Honor Roll who are still in service we are considering offering a subscription to one of the following magazines:

LIFE
TIME
NEWSWEEK
READER'S DIGEST

Under postal regulations, a subscription may be sent overseas provided a specific request is received from the soldier or sailor. If a subscription is ordered for a military person in the United States who goes overseas during the period of the subscription, the magazine will follow him without further request on his part.

If you are really interested, and you do not have good library facilities where you are located, or are not already a subscriber, I will be glad to consider your request for one of the above magazines. **BE SURE TO KEEP US INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN ADDRESS.**

HARRY H. STRAUS, President.

Sent Overseas



PFC. WILLIAM FRED WILSON, of the quartermaster corps, is now in England. He took his basic training at Vancouver, Washington, and Portland, Oregon. He spent a short furlough recently with his parents at Penrose and returned to Fort Dix, N. J., until he was sent overseas. Before entering the army, May 28, 1943, he was employed in the Pulp Mill.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Pvt. Sherman D. Ducker, U. S. Marine corps and former machine tender at Ecusta, was shot in the leg and is in a hospital in the Pacific area, according to a letter received from him by his wife, Mrs. Christine Mulenex Ducker, who works in Endless Belt. He stated that he had been awarded the Purple Heart, which he is sending to her.

WRITES FROM ENGLAND

T-5 Joseph A. Shook writes from somewhere in England: "... I'm getting along fine and I'm liking my new location somewhat better now. I have received two copies of the paper since I came to England and was glad to get them . . . Can't write much from here . . ."

Now In England



PVT. ARTHUR C. "TEZ" HYDER is now in England. Before entering the service in Jan., 1943, he was a Pulp Mill tester. He took his basic training at Camp Edwards, Mass., and has had anti-aircraft training at Camp Rucker, Ala., and Camp Stewart, Ga. He writes that the people in England are a good bit the same as they are here but "some odd things about it here is to see automobiles driving on the left side of the road and the streets seem so narrow."

IN SOUTHERN ITALY

Cpl. Edward Brackett writes from somewhere in Italy: "... I am in southern Italy and it isn't so warm at that. This is quite a change from making cigarette paper. Would like to be back at it though . . . Tell the boys to take it easy. Will see them when I get back to the States . . ."

TRAINING IS TOUGH

Pvt. Ted Danziger writes from Camp Sibert, Ala.: "... I am at present taking my basic training at Camp Sibert, Alabama. Our training is tough and thorough and most of us expect to be sent overseas after completion of basic training . . . Sincere good wishes to Mr. Straus and Dr. Bryant . . ."

WAC SAYS ARMY CHANGES ONE

Pvt. Birdell Monteith writes from Camp McCoy, Wisc.: "... So much has happened to me that I can truthfully say that I'll never be the same 'Clerk-typist' who left your company so thoughtlessly about a year ago. The Army changes one physically, mentally and spiritually. Whether for better or worse, who can tell? One measure of satisfaction comes from knowing that you are helping . . . I remember Ecusta as a perfect place to work and am looking forward to the day when I can return . . ."

HEAVY DEW—ANKLE DEEP

Lt. Bollin Millner writes from somewhere in Italy: "... This year finds me in still another country. My expectations of a 'round the world trip may actually be realized! Italy is a very nice place—very much like California, they tell me. Yes, we have heavy dews, ankle deep. Living among peoples of a country which such a short time ago was belligerent is a strange experience. We find the Italians to be, for the most part, happy over the American occupation . . . It is forbidden for us to describe our locale to any great length . . . I read the Echo from front to back. It is like a long letter from home. It is hard to realize that I have been away for more than two years. Yet the calm, serene life at Pisgah Forest seems decades ago . . ."

LIKES TO READ OF HOMETOWN

James L. Avery, Fire Control man, 2-c, writes % Fleet P. O.: "... It really means a lot to a fellow to read about his home town when he is miles away from it . . . I have been promoted to fire controlman 2nd class now, of which I am very proud . . . How is the Gumming Dept? . . ."

AT FORT EUSTIS, VA

Pvt. Fred Fendley, who was formerly employed by California Central Fibre as a Greenhouse Operator, is now stationed at Fort Eustis, Va. He entered the service last November.

Touring England



CPL. JAMES P. WILLIAMS is somewhere in England. He is a former Ecusta Janitor who left here in October of 1942 to enter the army. His military training was at Camp Pickett, Va. He writes that he has seen quite a bit of England and sends his best wishes to his friends here.