

Practice Blackouts Serious Business

Air-raids and blackouts, whether real or practice, are serious. One individual who does not know the procedure to follow during a raid, could cause a disaster if the raid were real.

To make sure that there are none at Seymour Johnson Field who do not know how to conduct themselves in case of a raid, the entire procedure is given below. READ IT CAREFULLY.

First, and most important are the signals. They are simple and there is no reason why anyone should misunderstand them.

(1) A long steady blast on the siren of about two minutes duration, indicates the probability of an air-raid, that hostile planes are headed in this direction. THIS IS CALLED THE BLUE WARNING.

(2) A wavering blast of the siren of about two minutes duration indicates hostile planes are approaching and that an air-raid is imminent. THIS IS CALLED THE RED WARNING.

(3) A short steady blast of the siren of about twenty seconds duration, indicates fire.

(4) The "ALL CLEAR" indicating that hostile planes have departed will be signaled during the hours of darkness by turning on street lights and during daylight by phone through various channels. TRAFFIC DURING A BLACKOUT. When the siren is sounded, all vehicular traffic will immediately pull off the side of the road, stop and remain motionless until fire apparatus has passed or the siren can no longer be heard (if the siren signals a fire). If the alarm signals an air-raid, the blue signal vehicles may resume motion and continue until the sounding of the

RED ALERT. Upon the sounding of the RED ALERT, vehicles, except official cars equipped with blackout lights will be driven off the paved surface of the road, lights will be extinguished and all occupants will proceed on foot to duty stations.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS
Officers on the station will proceed to their respective duty stations immediately.

Enlisted personnel with specific duties during an Air-raid will report to their respective duty stations immediately.

During practice alerts, personnel (including commissioned officers) occupying Theaters, Service Clubs, Post Exchanges and similar buildings, will remain within the building.

Civilian employees will remain at their respective stations subject to orders of their immediate military superior.

IN CIVILIAN AREAS
All military personnel who, by residence or otherwise, are in civilian areas and who are not engaged on a military mission of immediately necessary will conform to the rules and regulations governing civilians.

An individual officer or soldier, required by his mission to move through civilian areas, during a blackout, will, upon being challenged by civilian authorities, present his proper identification, which in the case of officers will be the WD AGO Form 83-1. For Enlisted men the soldier's individual identification card and a card signed by the Commanding Officer of the soldier's organization stating that the man is authorized to move during blackouts.

Maternity Care For Enlisted Men's Wives

Enlisted men whose wives are expectant mothers can apply for the "Maternity and Child Care for families of service men." All pregnant wives of enlisted men in the 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th pay grades are eligible. If the enlisted man is in the first three grades and can show that he has a definite need for assistance, the application will be accepted.

According to the United States Children's Bureau, the North Carolina State Board of Health is sponsoring the plan in this state. Application papers are available at every local city and county Health Department. Most local Red Cross Chapters know about this.

Apply in Advance
The wife is already attending a bank own doctor, advised that her blank be sent to the local Health Officer. Her doctor will be notified and the State Board of Health will pay your doctor and hospital for all their services which they give to you. For this reason get the application blank authorized just as early as possible.

Literature concerning this maternity plan will be distributed throughout the field to married men who are eligible for this plan. For further information, contact Lt. Catherine E. Foster, Army Emergency Relief, Building T-30. (Across from the post-office.)

Make Sure

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Check the mail are also unavailable. These must be legible and show the address, any serial number, branch of service organization and APO number and the post office through which parcels are routed.

Postage must be fully prepaid and parcels may not contain any writing other than such inscriptions as Merry Xmas, Happy New Year, etc. Christmas seals resembling postage stamps must not be used.

Mail matter for overseas personnel may not be insured or registered but postal money orders may be sent.

Follow these instructions to the letter and you will aid your package to its destination and help the postal system whose job is plenty tough anyway.

Bond Drive

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and civilian employees the dance will feature the Post Orchestra. A red letter day on any OI's calendar Saturday September 12th. Admission will be a huge celebration.

Still in the future but something well remembering, will be the proposed contest to choose a "Bond Beauty" here in the field. An Officer's Bond Dance to be held in the Officer's Club has also been planned. Further details will be given in the Daily Bulletin and the Air-O-Mech.

As the Drive passed its halfway mark it was again emphasized that the goal of every individual on the field should be the constant purchase of bonds, regardless of whether or not a special effort is being made. Observers estimated that our quota of \$100,000 would finance a little over thirty seconds of this war which new shows such high promise of a glorious conclusion that we should bring the war that may close to its ultimate end all almost enough. That we should save the lives of those fighting men who could be killed in that last half-minute is nearly sufficient. But we should try with every resource at our command to push our investments to the highest point possible and save still more time in this struggle—that is imperative. It is just... it is our duty.

Congress May

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5. Setting up a post-war training and education program for servicemen.

6. Deciding whether or not "pre-war" fathers may be drafted.

The bill which would increase the allotments of servicemen's dependents by about 10 percent has nearly completed the Congressional journey and requires only the approval of the House. It is expected to meet little opposition.

A bill already introduced calling for the extension of the Social Security laws by giving credit to servicemen for their time in the armed services is believed due to speedy administration pressure. The President pledged a need for the celebration of the eighth anniversary of the social security law. As the law now stands, defense workers with their high salaries



The Cadets, who arrived here last week, will have the same schooling they had at Boca Raton, Florida. Included in that schooling are the twelve weeks of Officer Training given at most OCS schools. And just as in OCS or West Point, the underclassmen or "Dodo's" go through "Bracing" and "Popping To" for their Upperclassmen.

No Letters Today??

After you've been in the army for a few months you suddenly come to the realization that there's little to write home about. You seem to have exhausted the regular channels of describing the novelties of army life; the training you're getting; the way the clothes fit and almost every other subject. . . But you have arrived at the realization that the greatest pleasure is a letter from home. If you don't write how do you expect them to write? They have the same trouble. After having informed you that cousin Harry is frozen in his job at the defense plant; Mabel married a sailor who is overseas; Mom's having a devil of a time figuring the ration coupon system; little Jackie was a War Bond for his showing in the local salvage drive, they also feel they haven't anything new to write about. Still you want to hear from them and the best way of assuring yourself replies is to write them. Now that you're here at Seymour Johnson Field there are a lot of things you can write about. Things that'll make interesting letters and bring back amusing replies. You can tell them about what you are earning at school that'll come in handy after the war as well as preparing you for the part you'll play in bringing home the victory.

Tell 'em about the tobacco and the cotton. Maybe you can even explain how these crops are processed.

Tell 'em about your school-mates. In that way you'll be doing a lot to help push forward the better understanding between the Yankees and Rebels, easterners and westerners.

Let 'em know how well you can get a barracks or make a bed; they'll get a kick out of that. Tell 'em about the swell girls you met at the USO in Goldsboro.

Don't gripe too much in your letters; they're having a tough time at home too.

As for reminding how much you miss 'em remember they miss you just as much.

All in all there are a lot of things you can find to write about if you'll only keep writing. If you do keep writing you'll keep getting mail too.

are amazing large sums in their pension reserves for later use, while in some cases the present law may even deprive servicemen of what they have already contributed to the social security fund.

Mechs Now Have Marching Song

A marching song especially written for the Airplane Mechanics of the Army Air Forces has been composed by a civilian instructor on the field and will be played by the 7th Air Force Band very shortly.

Its composer, Edward Rothstein, who teaches in Hydraulics, wrote the song as a tribute to the mechs who keep our planes flying. Mr. Rothstein, an amateur songwriter has been teaching on the field for nearly a year now. Here are the words to his song: "WE KEEP 'EM FLYING"

We keep 'em flying, high in the sky. The ground crew has its share

In the victory on high. Our planes will conquer in the air. But we're the guys who keep 'em there.

SO, Let's Keep 'Em Flying. Let us always try. To make the Army Air Force. The rulers of the sky.

We keep 'em flying over land and over sea. We never shirk, we do our work.

We fight for liberty. The engine's roar is loud and clear.

We fixed it right, that's why we're here. So, Let's Keep 'Em Flying. You can plainly see. The Air Force Mechanics will lead the march To Victory.

New Planes To Be Used Says Gen. Arnold

Gen. H. H. Arnold has announced a new super-bomber new type of fighting planes a new "buzzing pigeon" sight which will guide planes and indicate enemy fighters new armament and new guns and bombs. We think it is grand. The Army Air Forces are leading the entire world in the development of planes and aerial instruments. No nation can hope to stand up to the inventive genius and initiative of this nation—once it is aroused.

IT CAN'T HAPPEN...HERE!



In the beautiful land of somewhere, privates will sit in easy chairs having their shoes shined by Master Sergeants while cold drinks are served to them by their Top-Kick and lowly Techs manicure their nails. A GI sock is a good place to conjure-up dreams like this.

Ancient Attack Plane In Boneyard



Out where the field begins to thin into tobacco fields and the rolling North Carolina countryside stands that grim boneyard of forgotten aircraft known as "Academic Reclamation" or more simply "Dunkirk." Here are found row upon row of fuselages wings and other plane parts in various stages of repair. Here too are seen many obsolete types of aircraft. Seen above is an engineless attack plane last used in 1933 the model A-12. Looking like a remnant of some by-gone trophy race with its wheel pants and external wing bracing, the A-12 has been obsolete for many years and stands in Dunkirk today between ancient B-10 bombers and outmoded observation craft.

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Mary was sent down to the office to get her aunt's weekly pay. On the way home a robber held her up and took the money. She ran up to a policeman and said: "Oh, officer, a robber just stole my aunt's pay."

"Nice looking baby you got there?"
"Yeah."
"How old is she?"
"Six months!"
"Talk yet?"
"Naw. It's a boy"



That Sergeant can I help it if they got my laundry mixed up?