

Visits From Our Former Employees In Service

Ted N. Reese, S 2-s, has just completed boot training at Bainbridge. April 18th he visited during a nine day leave. S 2-c Reese was an Ecusta mail clerk before entering the Navy in Jan. 1945. He reported to Bainbridge, Md., for reassignment.

Pvt. Orvin L. McKelvin visited April 19th from Camp Wheeler, Ga. Formerly a backtender in the Machine Room, he entered service in Sept. 1944. Pvt. McKelvin reported to Robins Field, Ga., for re-assignment.

1st. Lieut. Boyd B. Meixell, Jr., of the Army Air force is now stationed at Stout Field, Ind., following two years duty in New Guinea and the Southwest Pacific. He volunteered for service in Oct., 1941; while a bleacher operator in Ecusta. He was a member of the crew of Lark Martin's MISSION BELLE, the B-24 that received acclaim in the August, 1944 issue of The Saturday Evening Post. He participated in numerous bombing missions in the Pacific, including Madang, Wewak and Buna. Lt. Meixell was engaged in reconnaissance missions, in a pursuit squadron, and a bomber and transport command. He is now a pilot of a Troop Carrier, wearing the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster.

Inez Summey, SP Q 2-c of the WAVES, visited April 16, '45, accompanied by her brother, Harold, also of the Navy. An employee of Hand Booklet and the Finishing departments, she entered the Navy in Sept., '43. Summey had boot training at Hunter College, N. Y., and has been stationed in Washington, D. C., for 18 months in communications. After a 7-day leave, she returned to Washington.

Cpl. Harold R. Hogsed, former machinist in Champagne, visited April 16. A member of the Army Air force, he is a classification specialist in the Mobile Air Technical Service command, Mobile, Ala. Cpl. Hogsed entered service in Sept., '42. He had basic training at New Orleans, La., and was in Northington Gen. hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala., for several months. After his visit, he returned to Brookley Field, Mobile, Ala.

Sgt. Jack Huggins of a weather squadron of the Army Air Forces stationed at Foster Field, Texas, visited recently during a 12-day delay en route to a new assignment at Greensboro, N. C. He was stationed at Chanute Field, Ill., after basic training at Miami, Fla. Sgt. Huggins was employed in the Engineering Dept. prior to induction March 13, 1943.

Staff Sgt. Dwight Elmo Collins, missing in action four months in the China-Burma-India theatre of war, is safe and returned to America in March. As a radio operator on a B-29, he was shot down Nov. 11, '44, over occupied China. An employee of Finishing Dept., Sgt. Collins volunteered for service in Sept. '42, and trained in Tennessee, South Dakota, Wisconsin and New Mexico. He wears the Good Conduct Medal and a ribbon for the Asiatic-Pacific theatre of war, with three stars for major engagements. After a furlough of 21 days, Sgt. Collins reported to Miami redistribution station.

Fisher Is Overseas



PFC. LAWRENCE D. FISHER, is serving in Ordance in the Philippines. He has been in service 26 months and overseas a year. Pfc. Fisher was employed as a printing operator in Champagne. He trained at Camp Santa Anita, Calif. and Ft. Lewis, Washington.

March 27, Torpedoman 3-c Jack King, U. S. Navy, visited Ecusta and his former department, Inspection. Upon entering the Navy, Oct. '42, he received boot training at Torpedo School in Norfolk, Va., T 3-c King had duty for a year on a destroyer. He wears ribbons for the American and Asiatic-Pacific theatres of war, with two stars for major engagements. After a 30-day leave, he reported to his ship for more sea duty.

Pvt. Wm. R. Kuykendall, formerly employed in the Filter Plant, returned to Ecusta April 9 for a visit. A veteran of the battle for St. Lo., Hurtgen Forest and the breakthrough in Luxembourg, he was overseas six months and returning to the States, reported to Carson General Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colo. Pvt. Kuykendall holds the Good Conduct Medal, the ribbon for the European theatre of operations with three stars for major engagements, a Presidential citation, and the Combat Infantryman's Medal. He trained at Ft. Geo. Meade, Md.

A former Chemical Laboratory employee, Captain Alfred Lister Skinner, visited Ecustans March 26. He entered service March 14, 1942, at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., and was stationed there for some time. He completed a year's service at the Chemical Warfare Board, Bushnell, Fla. After a 16-day furlough, Capt. Skinner reported to Edgewood Arsenal, Md.

Asst. Cook Donald V. "Vick" Drake of the U. S. Maritime Service, visited recently on his return from England, France, Holland and Belgium. Assigned to a Liberty ship, he entered service in Nov. 1944, and visited Ecusta and his former co-workers in the Finishing Dept. March 26. After a 30-day leave, Vick returned to his ship.

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Stationed In Fla.



CAPT. ALFRED LISTER SKINNER, is doing Chemical Warfare work in Bushnell, Fla. A member of Reserve, he entered service in March 1942 as a 2nd. Lt. He was formerly stationed at Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Capt. Skinner was employed in our Chemical Laboratory.

Now In England



PFC. ROBERT W. JACKSON, left, is with the Ordnance in England where he has been for almost two years. He trained at Camp Santa Anita, Arcadia, Calif., prior to overseas duty. Pfc. Jackson was employed here in Control; he entered service Jan. 28, 1943.

Joyce Sentelle, RM 2-c, a former employee of Inspection Dept., and twin brother of Harry Sentelle, also former Ecusta employee, visited April 10. Upon entering service Oct. '42, he had boot training at Norfolk, Va. RM Sentelle had training at Cheltenham, Md., and is stationed at Chatham, Mass., where he reported after a 14-day leave.

Staff Sgt. Edward H. Mackey of the Army Air Force and former beaterman at Ecusta visited April 13. He has been in service almost four years and was stationed two years at Ft. Bragg, N. C., and two years at Greensboro, N. C. A sister, Katherine Mackey, is employed in Hand Booklet. After a furlough of 15 days, he reported to Greensboro, N. C.

ENJOYED VISITING ECUSTA

From Edgewood Arsenal, Md., Capt. Alfred L. Skinner writes, "It was a great pleasure to visit the plant again and every one was friendly as could be. The Echo has always been of great interest to me, and I always look forward to reading it. In a couple of weeks I'm leaving for Panama, and will send my new address."

WORKING HARD

Sgt. Edward L. Brackett writes from Italy, "They have been working us pretty hard for some time . . . We've flown 14 days out of 15. If the weather stays clear, the Nazis are going to have some tough times . . . Guess Ecusta is getting ready to start the baseball games."

WANTS FRIENDS TO WRITE

Pvt. Harry L. Ballard writes from Camp Blanding, Fla., "Tell all the guys to write, as it gets pretty lonesome. We start training Monday and it is going to be a tough baby. Hope the mill didn't have to shut down when I left. All you can see down here is sand and pine trees, and all we have done so far is fall out and fall in."

IN HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND

"I was hit by a piece of shrapnel Jan. 4," writes Pfc. Warren R. Alexander, "and have changed hospitals several times. Expecting to return to duty soon. I was recently awarded the Purple Heart . . . Have known what it was to be bombed and strafed by planes, fired at by machine guns, shelled by artillery. Have seen war at its worst . . . A Tiger tank looks mighty large when you have only a rifle . . . I was with the First Army in their drive to push the Jerries back from their breakthrough into Belgium . . . Keep Ecusta rolling 'til we get back."

WRITES FROM FLORIDA

Sgt. Albert F. Kimzey is now stationed at Marianna, Fla., and writes to thank Ecusta for the pleasant time he had when visiting the plant. He says, "My new address is to be my permanent one for a long time, I am told . . . I am doing the same kind of work here, only on a newer type plane. The squadron I'm in trains other ones for combat service."

Physical Lab. News

By ANNIE LOU HAMLIN

Another month has rolled around and again we have very little news.

We are glad to have Ruby Wolfe back at work. She has been having some dental work done—not a very enjoyable way to spend a vacation, eh, Ruby?

Louise King was also away for a few days while her husband was home from the Navy. We were glad to have Willie Mae Connelly on "A" shift while both Ruby and Louise were away.

We welcome Sue Allen back to the Lab. Sue has been in the Chem. Lab. for some time but she is again with us on "C" Shift now.

We also welcome Fred Randolph back to the Lab. Fred is a quality supervisor.

Each of us express our sorrow in the death of Clinton Greene. His friends at Ecusta will long cherish his memory, and to his family we extend our deepest sympathy.