

LETTERS

From Our Boys In The Service

Sunday P. M.
August 16, 1942

Dear Doma:

Guess you will be surprised to get this from me, but I have arrived at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, all safe and okay. I'm liking it fine so far and having the best food I've had yet, and a good place to eat so I don't have anything to worry about out here.

It is awful pretty out here and I think I would like to stay out here a good while after things are over. I would really have a good chance to see all the things then. I made the trip all right and wasn't feeling bad any of the time. I really like the blue water of the Pacific. Tell John that I am an *Old Salt* now and am going to be a real sailor some day.

Tell Mary A. that I am a long way from home, but I still think of her too, and be sure to be good and go to school until I get back. She should be out here with me because she could have all the liberty she wanted. I don't know how long I will be here, but it really doesn't matter so long as you have to be so far away from home. The main thing is to win this war and then get back home. I am going to send this air mail and if you write the same way I will get it much quicker. I could tell you enough to fill a book, but our mail is censored and it isn't very much that we are allowed to write. Is Hunter still working down there?

I got the Herald you sent me the day before I left, and sure did enjoy it. I see where the men in the service can get the Herald mailed to them. I will have to send you the money some time and get them to have it sent to me. I don't know how long it will take a letter to get out here, but I guess I will get one before long. I wonder really how many men they have taken into the army from down there. My address is:

Raymond Wright, M. M. 1-C
10th U. S. N. Construction
Battalion, Ca. D Plat. 5,
Fleet Post Office,
Los Angeles, California

Dump wrote me and told me that she had moved, and how much it hurt her to think that she was breaking up our home, but maybe some day we can come back again. Give my best wishes to all and be sure to take care of yourself.

Lots of love,
Raymond.

Norfolk, Va.
Tug Office
No. B

Gentlemen:

I would like to inform you that Paul Clifford Harrison of Roanoke Rapids has been advanced to Fireman Second Class. He has been in about five months. He is in the Naval Reserve.

Thanking you.
Ross Sims, U.S.N.

August 25, 1942

The Editor,
Roanoke Rapids Herald,
Roanoke Rapids, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I wish to express my high appreciation for the editions of the Roanoke Rapids Herald which I receive each week, and I assure you that it is well read, because I am not the only soldier stationed at Ft. Monroe who hails from Roanoke Rapids, and as soon as I have finished reading it I turn it over to the other fellows and I don't believe a word is overlooked. I feel that all the boys who receive their copy as I do feel the same way as I do, because it gives the news that no other paper can give and that is the news of the home town, and the home folks.

I have been stationed on a small isle out in the wilderness for about five months and while out there I found it very lonely, and when the time came for my edition of the Herald I found many moments of relaxation.

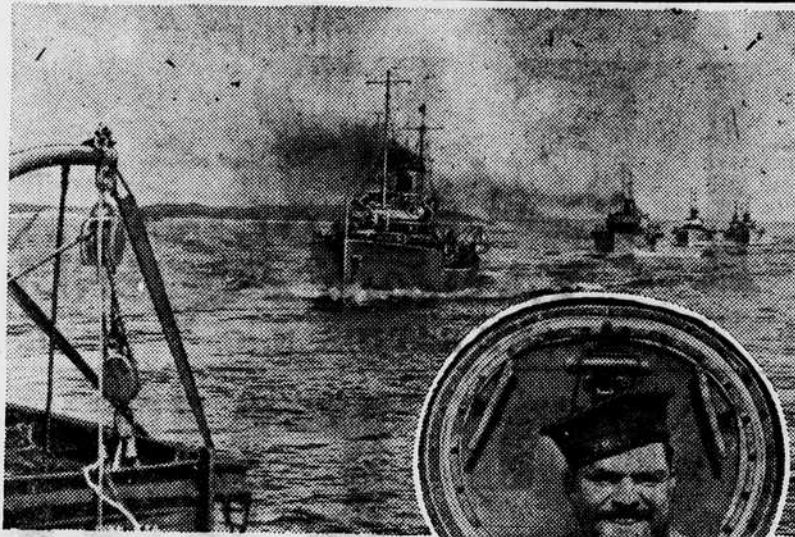
So in closing may I say again, I more than appreciate receiving the home town paper, and hope to end this battle real soon so we all may be able to return home peacefully.

Sincerely yours,
Pfc. Joe Davis
Btry. A, 2nd C.A.C.
Fort Monroe, Va.

DINNER PARTY

Mrs. Ben Parker gave a delightful dinner party on Wednesday evening honoring Miss Evelyn Davis whose wedding takes place in September. The honoree was also showered with handkerchiefs. The dining room table presented a lovely picture. Bridal place cards were used and lighted deep yellow candles cast a soft glow over all. The dinner guests included in addition to the honoree Misses Inda Rhen, Julia Rhen and Margaret Rhen of Garysburg, Ellen Maddry of Seaboard, Mary Louise Martin, Angela Hardy and Margaret Roberson.

Small Destroyers, Rugged Sailors Out-Menace Atlantic Coast Sub-Menace



PLowing through calm off-shore waters of the Atlantic, these Canadian-built Corvettes, so fresh from the shipyards that their rivets are hardly cooled, head for the high seas to be put through their paces before being declared fit for service. Scores of these trim "pocket-size" destroyers, bearing names of Canadian cities and towns from coast to coast, are joined in the grim battle of the Atlantic to maintain vital life lines of the Allied Nations.

Alphonse Normand (right) of the Royal Canadian Navy, who sports a "navy beard", is typical of the seasoned, rugged sailors who man these new and modern destroyers. Normand likes to recall a sea battle

that took place somewhere on the Atlantic when his destroyer played host to four Junkers bombers of the Luftwaffe. All four attacking planes were brought down; two by the ship's Pom-poms, the others by a British fighter plane.

BABIES

Records at the Roanoke Rapids hospital today list the following births:

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Rhea, city, a boy, Aug. 21; Mr. and Mrs. Esmond Davis, Garysburg, a boy, Aug. 22; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Davis, city, a girl, Aug. 22; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moody, city, a boy, Aug. 22; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Umphlett, city, a girl, Aug. 24; Mr. and Mrs. Carter Seymour, city, a boy, Aug. 24; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Clements, Gaston, a girl, Aug. 25; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Ferrell, city, a boy, Aug. 26.

PATIENTS

Records at the Roanoke Rapids hospital today show the following out-of-town patients:

Mrs. S. G. Blaton, Garysburg; Miss Beulah Baird, Valentine, Va.; Miss Mary Dunn, Emporia, Va.; Baby Marie A. Jackson, Weldon; Mrs. W. J. Leach, Littleton; Miss Elizabeth Piland, Conway; Mrs. Mattie Mae Smith, Jackson; Miss Margie Bryant, Emporia, Va.; Miss Annie Mac Harrison, Gumberry; J. Wiley Nash Jr., Emporia, Va.

VISITS HUSBAND'S PARENTS

Mrs. C. O. Askew, of Spokane, Washington, arrived in the city this week and is visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Askew, at the home at 200 Jefferson Street. Her husband, Sergeant C. O. Askew, a former Roanoke Rapids resident, is at present on maneuvers with the Army on the desert in California.

The Volunteer Nurse's Aide Corps, sponsored by the American Red Cross and the Office of Civilian Defense, offers a real opportunity for women between 18 and 50 to serve their community and their country.

WAITED 'TIL LAST MINUTE TO CUT WIRE

In an account of the recent Johnson Laundry fire in our issue of August 6th it was stated: "Electric current was cut off upon discovery of the fire by a power company employee, precluding any possibility of using a high-powered pump which would have given additional pressure to fight the fire."

Since that time an investigation has been made resulting in discovery of the fact that the electricity was not cut off upon discovery of the fire; that power company employees waited until the last minute to do so with regard to the safety of hundreds of spectators attracted by the blaze, the wires being cut as a great portion of the brick wall crumbled.

TRAIN for VICTORY



War Time Is No Time To Waste Time

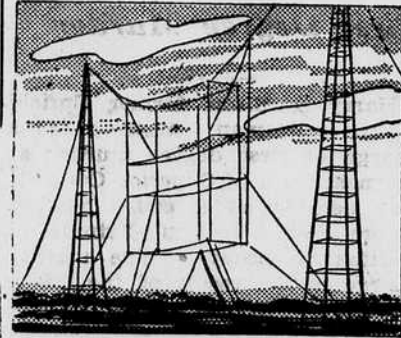
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