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CURB REPORTER

Daytona Beach (Fla.) Morning Journal writing about the WAAC band in which Aux. Nellie Rushing Monroe of Tryon was listed had the following to say in the WAAC column: "This, the first women's military band in the U. S., is 'as efficient as any men's band in the army,' according to Peter Berg, warrant officer, who is the director. Mr. Berg, who has been an army band leader for 12 years, was the director of the fa-mous men's Fort Des Moines reception band. He began organizing the WAAC band on August 10 with a nucleus of 12 auxiliaries. He set high musical standards for this first WAAC band. Out of every 50 applicants he chose one. Members of the band have had extensive and varied musical experience, having played for many years with symphonic orchestras, concert bands and famous all girl bands. One member, with a bit more varied experience than the rest, has played with Barnum & Bailey circus, the world's fair, Bert Lahr musicals and in many other theatrical fields. The WAAC band leads all parades, meets celebrities and gives concerts for the post personnel. The band lives in separate barracks from the rest of the auxiliaries. They practice every morning from 9 o'clock until 11:30. At first, band members said that it was difficult for them to play while marching as they Continued on Back Page____

Henry Shankle In Navy At Farragut, Idaho

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1942. Dear Friends:

Merry Christmas everybody! This Christmas season finds me, one of Uncle Sam's Bluejackets way out beyond the hills of Idaho.

I'm located at the Naval Training Station, Farragut, Idaho, the name which was selected by President Roosevelt. It honors the first admiral of the United States Navy, David Glasgow Farragut, who has left a tradition of bravery and courage for all naval officers and men.

Admiral Farragut is attributed with the famous remark, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead," which was made at Mobile Bay, August 4, 1864, when the Admiral was commanding the U. S. S. Hartford. This remark, made 78 years ago, bespeaks the spirit of the Navy of 1942. We all are constantly aware of this heritage that has been handed down to us.

Our station is located out here on the banks of glacier-fed Lake Pend Orielle and is Uncle Sam's newest training center for those famous Bluejackets you read about daily. We are tucked away in the pine-studded timber country between the Kaniksu and Colur TAlene National Forests. Our camp was mushroomed out of a virgin forest area. Construction on this huge project was started April, 1942, and is still being built.

It is really a huge city, larger than any city in Idaho, even including the capital, Boise, with its population of about 26,000. It is a city, complete in every respect

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