

Armed Forces

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CHANNING BROWN

Casaglia July 12 and effectively spearheaded the Fifth Army's rapid advance to the Arno River. Colonel John W. Cotton of Martha's Vineyard, Mass., commands the regiment. A veteran of 31 years' service, he won the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star and the Purple Heart with Clusters during the First World War.

Herbert E. Spizer, R.T. 2-C. U. S. Navy, sent us his change of address this week from Treasure Island, Calif., to San Diego, Calif. He also wrote the following message: "I have enjoyed the SUN and I would like to keep receiving it." Prior to entering the service he resided on Siltier street.

A V-Mail letter came to us this week from Corporal Fred Thompson, stationed somewhere in France. The letter reads: "Received my first copy of the SUN while at an overseas station. It was nice to read about some of the home town boys and about town events. Thank You, to you and the American Legion." Corp. Thompson, who recently arrived overseas, is the son of Police Sergeant and Mrs. William Thompson, Sr., of 285 Morris avenue.

Lieutenant Frank J. Geiger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Geiger of South Springfield avenue wrote us the following letter: "I would enjoy seeing the SUN each week if you would be kind enough to send it to me. I believe a lot of things are going on up there of which I

should know and of which I am not hearing about. Your paper is the answer.

"At present, I am attending the Tank Maintenance School at Fort Knox, Ky. At this school one is supposed to become a qualified tank mechanic and with a little luck I'll be no exception. Fort Knox, as you probably know, is the home of our Armored forces.

"By reading or listening to any news cast, you can gather the part which Armor plays in the present conflict. This alone is proof enough of the magnificent job the officers and men have done to establish this branch of the service in a few short years. The Armored forces have no equal but at the same time it would only be proper to give the full facts. We have our own infantry which is just highly mobile artillery. We have our own infantry which is also vehicular moved. So you can see then that while everyone thinks of tanks as Armor, we'd really be lost if they were left on their own. Cooperation between tanks, infantry, artillery and cavalry (reconnaissance) makes the Armored Forces. Is it any wonder that so highly a mobile unit

or team is so effective? We also have our own Engineers, Medics and service forces."



FRANK GEIGER

Corporal James F. Callahan was home recently on a 16-day furlough visiting his wife, Mrs. Janice Callahan and their 18-month-old son, James, Jr., of Pitney avenue, New Providence. He has returned back to Fort Sill, Okla. Corporal Callahan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Callahan of 414 Mountain avenue.

Thelma E. Sargent, 26, daughter of Mrs. Eugene Roehle of 62 Marion avenue was enrolled recently at the Naval Training School (Yeomen-W) on the Iowa State Teachers College campus, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

She was selected for her special training on the basis of recruit training aptitude tests and past civilian experience. The course of yeomen study includes shorthand, typing, Naval correspondence, records and forms and current events. When she successfully completes her theoretical course she will be sent to other duty stations where, after actual experience in a practical Navy job, she will have the opportunity to qualify for a petty officer rate.

The 79th Infantry "Cross of Lorraine" Division, commanded by Major General J. W. Wyche was one of the spearheading units of the recent Seventh Army drive across the German frontier. Since its seizure and capture of Cherbourg, the division has added glory to its successful first combat in this war. Pfc. Norman Banner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Banner of 342 Morris avenue, is a member of this Division.

The "Cross of Lorraine" Division was first activated at Camp Meade, Md., on August 3, 1917. Prior to going overseas in 1944, the 79th had been toughening up in maneuvers in Tennessee, the California and Arizona area and a winter of field training at Camp Phillips, Kansas. The division was reactivated for duty in this war on June 15, 1942 at Camp Pickett, Va.

The 79th Division landed in France on June 14, 1944, to participate in the Seventh Corps drive up the peninsula to Cherbourg. The 79th men took the enemy-styled "Impregnable" Fort du Roule and was the first American unit to enter Cherbourg. More than 6,000 Germans were taken prisoner during the fighting and final clean-up of the city.

Six months to the day after landing in France, December 1, 1944, the division bridged the Lauter River and entered Germany.

Recent Transfers:
Private Gerard G. Colantone from Camp Wheeler, Ga. to Fort Ord, Calif. (247 Morris avenue).
2nd Lieutenant James W. Abel from Camp Claiborne, La. to Camp Ellis, Ill. (parents, 263 Morris avenue).

Private Herbert Kent from Keesler Field, Miss. to Chanute Field, Ill. (Warner avenue).

Shirley Ann Paulson, specialist teacher third class, Wave from Hunter College, Bronx to New York City, N. Y. (63 Colling road).
Technician fourth grade Edwin A. Marshall from Indian town Gap, Pa. to c/o Postmaster, New York City, (374 Morris avenue).

Technician 6th grade Edward Mullin from Camp Swift, Texas to c/o Postmaster, New York City, N. Y. (Mountainside).

Edward J. Galvin, boatswain mate second class, from c/o Fleet Post Office, New York City to Supply Depot, Bayonne, N. J. (374 Morris avenue).

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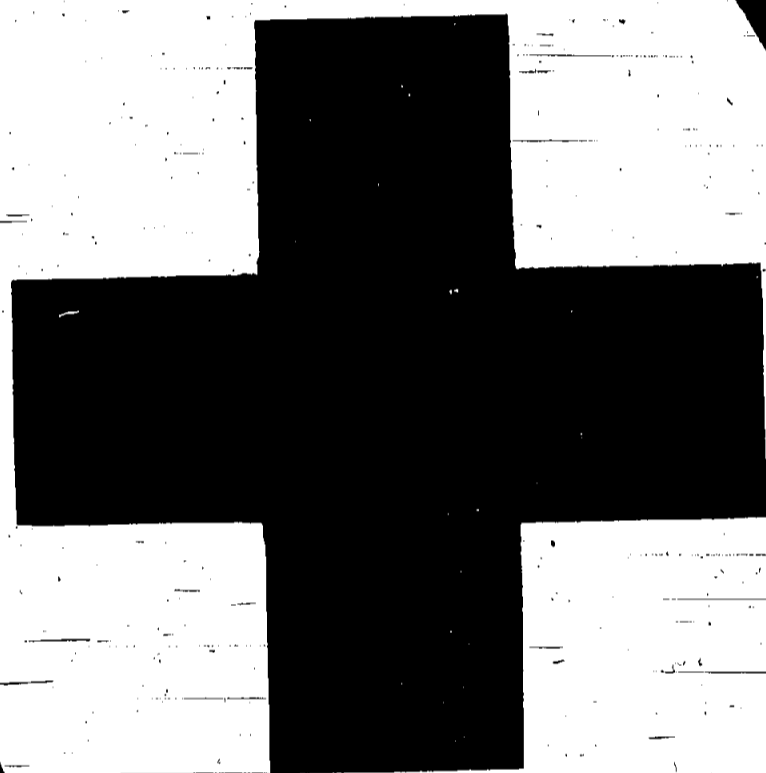
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STATISTICS OF SPRINGFIELD

Population—1944, 6,000; assessed valuation—1944, \$6,477,225; tax rate—1944, \$5.07 (Township—\$2.21; schools, \$1.87; state and county, \$.99).

Springfield was settled in the early 1700's. Its township form of government was established April 14, 1794, and was incorporated in 1857.

Springfield is essentially a community of homes, with little industry except for farming, nurseries and co-ordinated manufacturing for home.

46 minutes from New York City on the Lackawanna R. R. with two stations at Millburn and Short Hills, less than a mile away; 7 miles to Elizabeth; 7 miles to Newark's excellent bus connection to Newark, Elizabeth, Summit and Plainfield.

The Railway Valley Railroad with a freight station in the township affords service for factories, commercial and industrial purposes. State Highway 29 makes New York City convenient by auto in 30 minutes. Site of the \$600,000 Upton County Regional High School, serving Springfield, Mountlake and four other county municipalities.

It has good streets, water, gas, electricity and modern sanitary sewer system, excellent police, fire and school facilities; mail carrier delivery system, and zoning regulations for the protection of the individual property owner.

Of interest in Revolutionary history with its historic Presbyterian Church, where the Rev. James Caldwell cried: "Give 'em warts, boys!" in the midst of the Battle of Springfield, fought on June 23, 1780. Several colonial landmarks are to be found in Springfield, one of the oldest communities in Union County.

WHAT THE SUN ADVOCATES

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8. Extension of mail delivery by local R. F. D. routes, to all portions of the township.



Issued by Continental Post No. 228, American Legion, Springfield, in the best interests of servicemen and women.

This is the first of a series of articles which will be published every other week in an attempt to explain just what is being done here at home to prepare for returning servicemen, to ease the handicap which has been forced upon him and to hurdle the first shock of the return to normal living. It is hoped that the information will be of real service and that many questions now on the minds of service people will be answered. The articles will be general in scope. Individual problems will be considered and treated as confidential.

In discussion of postwar security, the future of the veteran depends upon two things, first, the future of the country itself and second, the ability of each veteran to make his own future in a peace-time world. If the country is prosperous, the veteran will no doubt fare well, be he a farmer, worker or business man. If there is another depression the veteran as well as every body else may go broke.

The Federal government, as well as the State of New Jersey, has built up a program of benefits

which is the best ever planned. The veterans of World War II will have all the things that the veterans of World War I fought 25 years to obtain. If a veteran wants to go into business, the government will help him borrow money. If he wants a job, it will help him find one. If he is young, it will educate him. If he is wounded, it will treat and rehabilitate him. If he is incapacitated, it will take care of him. In other words, no matter what the veterans want or need the government has assistance to offer. Such is the general program.

The American Legion, in anticipation of the needs of returning men set up a Service Committee over a year ago. The committee consists of six men each schooled by vocation, experience and instruction to handle a particular phase of the work, finance and loans, insurance, rehabilitation and hospitalization, education, re-employment and social service. Future articles will deal with each of these benefits. Cut them out and save them, they may be of great value to you in the days to come.

Now all our plans for veterans

are dependent upon the answer to the \$44.00 question, "When is the war going to end?" This, no one knows, but the chances are it will not be for quite a while plus the time required to bring the veterans home, process them and prepare them for the receipt of that \$44 by 11 sheet of paper headed "Honorable Discharge."

Until that day, all we at home can do is to plan and to prepare for the big day. Our own experiences after World War I give us the insight to the problems and needs. When the big day does come we will be ready, waiting and willing to do our share for those who are finishing the job we started in '17."

In order that all service men and women can have the benefits of this column, please see that correct addresses are on file with the SUN. Also new names and addresses are requested. Get them in as soon as possible.



GIRL SCOUT CORNER

Troop 4 visited the Newark Museum on Thursday afternoon of last week. They saw the exhibit of drawings and paintings. Each Scout picked one picture that appealed to her the most and told why. They also visited the science and mechanical exhibits. Mrs. M. C. Lucy and Miss Evelyn Perry, leaders, accompanied the girls. Those attending were: Audrey Dawkins, Marlene Detrick, Ruth Johnson, Joan Lucy, Peggy Morrison, Mary Ann Pulos, Patricia Rile, Janice Smith, Gladys Spaeth and Elva Wilson.

Post War Aims Outlined For Springfield By "G. I." Overseas

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"Inn." The project was looked at as being good for the community so its finish was reached with minimum resistance and red-tape. By the same token then, couldn't someone with authority and leadership begin to use some of the



PAUL HAUCK

natural sites and opportunities that are in our little town to entertain its folks—really make Springfield even a better town than it is now."

"I would like my suggestions to be considered for what they are worth, but to be considered only as suggestions. If they are worthwhile—consider these: It is possible, make an artificial lake or a swimming pool, tear down all shanties, clear all dumps and ugly public sights, present awards for the

most beautiful home-or-garden, decorate our streets during the holidays, organize athletic teams for adults, have a father and son ball team, hold inter-community contests in any field from music to racing, or even a beauty-parade. Anything, anything at all. There are a million and one things that could make that little town in the United States an active, thriving, friendly community and a better place to live in.

"Think it over while I dream some more about my post-war Springfield."

Mr. Hauck's brother, Albin Hauck, has recently been promoted to private first class. He is stationed in France, being overseas 14 months.

Scout Board of Review to Hold First Meeting

The Boy Scout Board of Review, formed in conjunction with creation of a separate District Committee for Springfield, will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, March 20, in the Town Hall.

Permission to use the tax office room in the Town Hall on the third Tuesday of every month between 7:30 and 9:30 was granted by the Township Committee this week. At this time, review of Boy Scouts seeking advancement awards will be handled by the Board, which is headed by Harry Nulph, chairman.

Other members include Vice-chairman, James Funcheon; secretary, Arthur H. Lennox and fourth board member, Nicholas C. Schmidt.

Colonial Garden Party Held

A social held by the Colonial Gardens Association on Wednesday evening of last week in the American Legion Hall was a successful affair and was enjoyed by all. Seventy-five residents attended.

There were special dances conducted by Miss Mona Jenkins of 4 Tower drive and community singing, led by Sigurd Oors. The big event of the evening was a Hawaiian dance by Fred Glasier, Edward McCloskey, Hank Post, Al Binder, Arthur Dausser and Carl Brasler. The performance was enthusiastically received by the audience and they demanded four encores. Refreshments were served. Sigurd Oors was chairman of the committee in charge.

Door prizes were awarded to Jay Smith, John Fecher, Albert Blader, Arthur Dausser, Albert O'Neill, Charles Hoehn, Edward McCloskey, Mrs. Frank Foley, Mrs. Sigurd Oors, Mrs. Albert Blader, Mrs. Bruce Cameron and Miss Ruth Mohr.

Mario's Reopens On Monday

Mario's popular eating place at 35 Main street in Millburn, will reopen on Monday after nearly tripling their seating capacity. The added space was gained by breaking through the wall into the adjoining store. Comfortable booths have been installed, as in the former dining room, and a row of tables will occupy the center aisle.

The general scheme of decoration has been carried on into the new dining room, although colors have been changed to provide a contrast. Mirrors and rugs have been tastefully selected to pro-

vide the perfect setting for the enjoyment of food and drink. The kitchen has been greatly enlarged and modernized, and the proprietors have extended an invitation to interested patrons to come backstage and inspect the cooking facilities.

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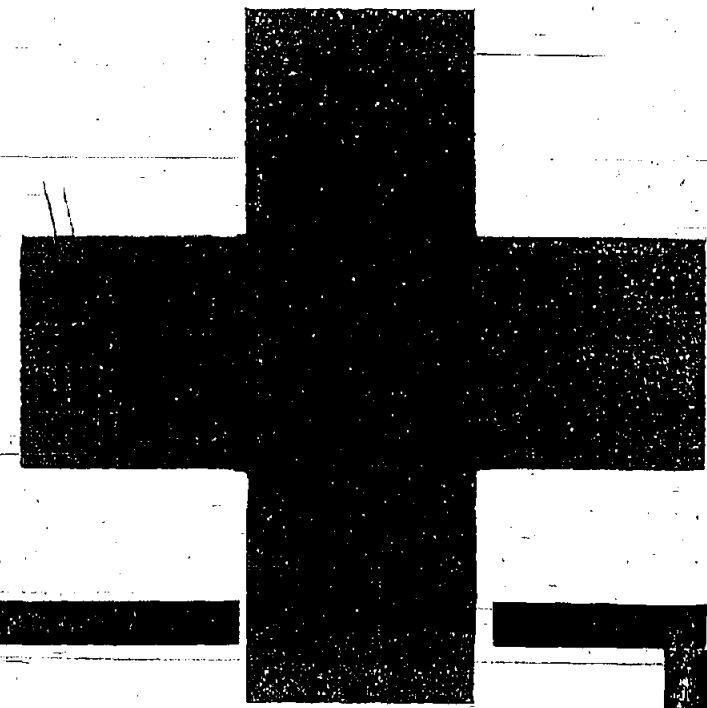
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HOME SERVICE—This service is the link between the serviceman and his family. Three trained workers have worked 644 hours this year handling emergency problems, inquiries, home condition reports for commanding officers, and information about government benefits.

DISASTER RELIEF—The Raymond Chisholm and the James Caldwell Schools have been provided with the necessary equipment to take care of victims of disaster, and our organization is on call at all times.

Services to the Armed Forces

BLOOD DONOR—During the year the Mobile Unit made two trips to Springfield. A total of 356 pints of blood were donated, 294 hours being given by volunteers to make this possible.

CAMP AND HOSPITAL COUNCIL—12 workers gave 801 hours on the Camp Kilmer Council. Many much needed comforts and recreational articles have been provided for the boys by this committee.

NURSING ACTIVITIES—8 workers gave 336 volunteer hours. Nursing activities include carrying on our Public Health Nursing, keeping the Loan Closet up to date, and assisting the Public Health Nurse whenever necessary.

HOME NURSING—Four classes were held this year, 43 received certificates, 1032 volunteer hours were spent in taking the courses.

Volunteer Special Services

STAFF ASSISTANTS—13 workers gave 1,474 hours—manning the Red Cross office, working on Blood Bank, War Fund Drive, etc.

CANTEEN AND CANTEEN AIDES—18 workers gave 1063 hours during the year. These included serving luncheon to the Blood Bank Unit, the Surgical Dressings workers, at Red Cross meetings, helping prepare food at Overlook Hospital, etc.

MOTOR CORPS—17 drivers gave 1966 volunteer hours. The station wagon drove 6,557 miles, 33 Camp and hospital trips, 225 clinic trips, and 357 miscellaneous errands for the Chapter.

PRODUCTION—Sewing: 15 workers have given 2,449 volunteer hours making hospital garments, kit bags, and clothing for Civilian War Relief in foreign countries. Knitting: 15 workers have given 1,475 hours knitting flyers' helmets, sweaters, scarfs, socks, gloves, and afghans. Surgical Dressings: 146 workers have given 7,239 volunteer hours making three different sized sponges for the Army and Navy. During the two years these volunteers were working they completed 455,600 dressings.

NURSES AIDES—5 nurses aides were trained and completed 719 volunteer hours of work at Overlook Hospital.

WAR FUND—150 workers gave 1,800 hours to make our last year's quota a success.

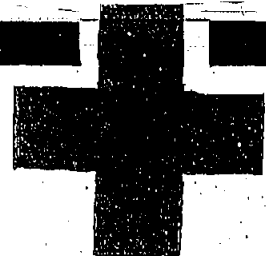
JUNIOR RED CROSS—6 workers gave 234 hours. Favors, place cards, ash trays, canes, bed trays, etc., were made by the Juniors for Lyons Veteran Hospital and Camp Kilmer.

ADMINISTRATION—4 workers have given 1,072 volunteer hours in administering and coordinating these Red Cross activities during the past year.

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