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Our mail bag becomes increasingly heavy with the arrival of each new mail. Scotch Plains servicement in Scotch Plains servicemen, in mail. the States and abroad, write to tell us that they enjoy receiving news from the old home town.

Pvt.Edwin Booth, stationed at Eglin Field, Fla. makes the interesting observation that until The Scotch Plainsman made its appearance, he thought New Jersey was rationing sta-tionery. He writes that thanks to the experience gained in swimming at Shackamaxon Lake with Capone and the rest of the gang, he is enjoying a summer spell as life guard at his camp.

Among the many interesting letters we have received this month, is one from Cpl. John F. Short, (32925100), 3018th Co. 141st OBAM En., APO 322,-c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Cal. which we quote in full:

"Here we are, three of us, to-gether away Down Under on this island, almost a quarter as large as the good old U.S.A. It is the se-cond largest island in the world, next to Greenland. Good old New next to Greenland. Good old New Guinea! The three boys are Emil Hoffman, Steve Cichon (he is not Hoffman, Steve Cichon (no --on your list) and myself. "We boys haven't been here long

"We boys haven't been here long and there is a lot to see and more important, lots to do. We are be-ing kept quite busy. On the ship coming over, we met another fellow or I should say a couple of other fellows, - Ralph Caruso and Eric Ericson. We had a reunion out in the middle of the blue Facific and it is a beautiful blue. Ralph and Eric. being in a different outfit Eric, being in a different outfit, got off the ship at a different outfit, got off the ship at a different port. That ended our stay togeth-er, but it made possible the meeting of the two Caruso brothers who hadn't seen each other in over two years. It was almost a miracle when you figure the chances of it much you ligure the chances of it happening. The boys spent two weeks together and had lots to talk about. Pat is scheduled to return to good old ScotchPlains in August I'd give plenty to be with him. "I want to thank you for sending The Scotch Plainsman and I really like it a lot.

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"Best regards to everyone in town:

One of the Boys, Shortie."

Newsy letters like Shortie's are a delight to the editors and to the readers of the Plainsman. Let's have more of them. How about it fellows?



Corp. George Tit-man has seen plenty of action with the Marines at Guadalcanal and other Pacific islands. He was on the air-craft carrier Wasp when it was torpedoed in1942 George suffered a recurring malarial attack when visiting his sister, Mrs. C. W. Pettit, of 2070 Westfield

Avenue, when home on furlough in May. \*\*\*\*

We take the liberty of quoting an excerpt from a letter received from Pvt. Marion Gaines, WAC, stationed at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, by Mrs. Gladys S. Simms.

"When you are far from home, no matter how little time you have or the amount of fun you have, some times. you will find yourself day dreaming. Yes, day-dreaming about home; wondering whatever became of home; wondering whatever became of your old classmates and your neigh-bors. In such a mood I've found that this paper is just the thing I wanted. After a hard day of drilling and what not, I find it relaxing to read my paper. I'm proud to say that I'm the only girl here who does receive such a paper as this."

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In another vein, Charles a. Young writes of his appreciation of the Plainsman and continues "as for ourselves, we help keep the African game company; get in plenty of big game fishing; and enjoy the surf and tropical sun in our time off".

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The mails bring another letter from Italy, this one from Cpl. C. E. Stoecker (32275562), 38th ADG HQ Sq. APO 528, c/o Postmaster, New York, who writes;

Received your first edition of "The Scotch Plainsman" and am anx-iously looking forward to receiving The paper reached me after more. a few difficulties, namely that of the wrong address. However, after you receive this letter, service will be better.

"In case you are interested in what I have been doing and where I have been, I am writing a few no-tations which may help you. I have seen service in Africa all the way from Casablanca to Algiers. It was over a period of 8 months and now I am in Italy about ten months. I have seen most of Italy and its in teresting places. I am assigned to the radio section of my squadrom and also light maintenance work." \*\*\*\*\*

Taking a Superman jump across the ocean to Camp Pickett, Virginia, we pick up a letter from Pvt. Peter Schmey, who says: and

"My parents moved to Scotch Plains since my entry into service so I can't say that I have ever actually lived there. But I do enjoy reading about the town and activities in it. --- F.S. Are you sure that is a German helmet that G. I. Joe has his foot on?"



T/Sgt. Dona. Van Deusen, as previously re-unted, is a gan b prisoner in Ger 100 many. Before he was captured he the 8 sta had completed of a 32 bombing miss like had completed ions His Scotch Plains home is the 2068 Maple View Me Court, Maple Court, Maple Hills Farms. He was last home in hetu October, 1943,- 4 fc just before besent overseas. leop

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