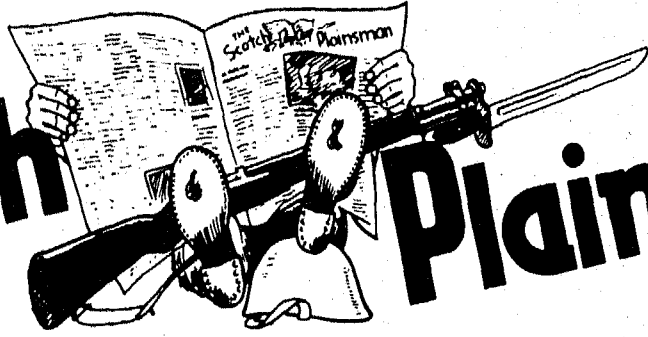


THE Scotch Plainsman



THE TRIPLE CROSS or HOME TALENT
--- AND PROUD OF IT

Either caption might be appropriate
for our pin-up picture this month.

These are the girls in the Scotch Plains Post Office who speed The Scotch Plainsman on its way to you each month. That's one job they don't consider a burden - they're always eager to help in any way they can. Left to right: Virginia Stephens, Ruth Rumsey and Josephine Cirioli.

Sends Greetings To Husband

Through arrangements made with the Armed Forces Radio Service in the South Pacific area, Mrs. Ethel Compton, 2053 Grand Street, was able to relay birthday greetings to her husband, Pfc. Vernon Compton, with the Fourth Marine Division in the Pacific Theatre of Operation.

While at his base, Pfc. Compton was surprised to hear his favorite song, "Mexicali Rose," played by the Marine Band and an announcement that it was requested by his wife, Ethel, of Scotch Plains, N. J., with love and best wishes for a happy birthday. Compton was wounded in action on March 4th on Iwo Jima; was hospitalized on Guam and later returned to his outfit. Overseas since November 1944, he entered the service in May 1944, and trained at Parris Island, S.C., and Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Mrs. Compton, with their two children, Dale, 3 years old, and Joyce, 2 years old, live at the Grand Street address.

Scotch Plains Tops Quota Again

With Seventh War Loan sales well over the \$450,000 mark, Scotch Plains' record of surpassing its quotas by overwhelming figures was again upheld in this drive.

Not only did the 150 workers obtain subscriptions amounting to four times their quota of \$115,000, but included in the total amount subscribed was \$65,000 in "E" Bonds, which exceeds by 150% the mark set for their quota. Campaign Chairman Bill Sampson announced \$453,153 in subscriptions had been received and that this figure would be increased in the closing hours of the drive.

Bill expressed appreciation to the residents of the town for their very generous support in backing the fighting men through their purchase of bonds and thanked the zone chairmen and co-chairmen, as well as the volunteer canvassers for their work. He termed Corwin S. Scott and Alex. C. Campbell "star salesmen".

Details of the sales by zones:

Zone 1	-	\$ 3,206.00
2	-	24,183.00
3	-	26,821.00
4	-	8,594.00
5	-	12,431.00
6	-	37,061.00
7	-	82,355.00
Special sales	-	258,500.00
Grand Total	-	\$453,153.00

Another job well done in the true Scotch Plains' tradition.

Rotary Club Installs Muir

Alexander Muir Sr., was installed as president of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club at the last weekly luncheon held in June at the Maison Billia, succeeding Richard B. Gendall who officiated at the induction ceremonies.

Other officers are: Vice-president Robert Adams, Jr.; secretary, H. Clay Friederichs, and treasurer, Charles Ball. J. Horace Hatfield, Alfred Lawler and George V. Hahn and the newly elected officers will comprise the Board of Directors for the coming year.

The Rotary Club continues its custom of having as guests at their weekly luncheons service men and women home on leave. Their guest register is studded with names of those who have availed themselves of the opportunity to enjoy an hour of good company to say nothing of Host Billia's good food.

EHRlich AND VAN ALLEN WIN NOMINATION

Gordon R. Ehrlich, regular organization candidate for the Republican nomination for the Township Committee two-year term defeated Robert W. Smith in the recent primary election, and Elwood Van Allen defeated Sebastian Musumeci for election to the Republican County Committee in the Third District.

W. Seward Lyon and Floyd H. Werts, unopposed GOP candidates for the three-year terms on the Township Committee, received 1,022 and 1,017 votes respectively. Joseph Albert, unopposed Republican candidate for tax collector, received 1,051 votes. There were no Democratic nominations for the local offices.

Nomination for local offices on the Republican ticket in Scotch Plains is tantamount to election. Instead of congratulating the nominees on their success at the polls, we congratulate the citizens of Scotch Plains Township in being able to induce these high-type business men to make the sacrifice involved in assuming a part in the administration of the Township's affairs.

THOMAS P. REILEY WINS SILVER STAR


For gallantry in action against the enemy in Germany on Feb. 2, the Silver Star medal has been awarded to Sgt. Thomas P. Reiley assigned to the 740th Tank Battalion. He also has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received at that time.

The citation which accompanied the Silver Star award reads in part:

"During the advance, the tank platoon came under enemy tank and anti-tank fire which knocked out two tanks. Sergeant Reiley's tank and the two remaining tanks went behind a building. Reiley's tank was the most exposed, but remained in this position to cover the two remaining tanks.

"His tank received eight hits by enemy '88' shells which killed one member of the crew and seriously wounded another member and blew Sergeant Reiley out of the tank. Despite the enemy mortar and artillery fire and his own wounds, Sergeant Reiley remounted his tank and evacuated the seriously wounded crew member to shelter and secured medical aid for him. Sergeant Reiley's action is in keeping with the highest tradition of the U. S. Army."

Tom Reiley saw plenty of action on several fronts and in a recent letter home tells of meeting the German General Von Runstead's First SS Panzer Division in Belgium and stated that his outfit practically cleaned them out.



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