

SERVICE BRIEFS



Patricia Voorhis, Special Gunner, 3rd Class, who is stationed at Treasure Island, Calif., entered the WAVES a year ago and after boot training at Hunter College was sent to Great Lakes NTS for training as an instructor in anti-aircraft artillery. It was the first group

of WAVES to be assigned with combat weapons and as a reward for high standing out there she was sent to the Naval Training Station on Treasure Island, near San Francisco, where for the past six months she has been with a group of six WAVES teaching gobs the art and science of naval gunnery. Patricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold O. Voorhis of Rahway Road.

From the headquarters of the 8th Army stationed at Leyte, Philippine Islands, comes a press release informing us that William V. Riemer, of 2119 Gamble Road, has been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. He is in the ordnance section of Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger's staff. His wife, Mrs. Doris A. Riemer and their two young children, Susan and William, live at the Gamble Road address.

Bob Young, Col. Riemer's round-the-corner neighbor, was signed up by the Navy recently and is now in training at Bainbridge, Md.



Sgt. Donald J. Cowan, 42012758 is attached to the Med. Det. of the 85 Mt. Inf. APO 345 c/o PM, N.Y. Entering the Army in Sep. 1943, he was assigned to the ski troops, later the 10th Light Div. and currently the 10th Mtn. Div. For 9 months, he trained at Camp Hale, Colo., in

altitudes where the aviator wears his oxygen mask and then was shifted for further training to Camp Swift, Tex. Maneuvers which started on a Sunday morning were terminated abruptly the same evening when orders were received to get ready for an ocean voyage. Crossing the Atlantic unescorted, the Division arrived in Italy early in January, 1945, engaging in patrol work the following month and shifting to an attack on Mt. Belvedere in March. The next operation was to spearhead the 5th Army across the Po Valley. Don writes that he believes they were the first unit to cross the Po and that they kept on pushing so that at the wind-up, some of their elements actually were up in the Brenner Pass, Don's wife, Marie, and their daughter Carol make their home in Maple Hills Farms.



Corp. Frank E. Donahue, of Lake Avenue, joined the Marines on June 15, 1943 and trained at Parris Island and Camp Lejeune. He went overseas in December 1943, first to Hawaii and from there to the Marshall Islands. He is still located somewhere in the Pacific, serving with

B Co., 2d Tank Bn., of the 2d Marine Division. Frank received his corporal's rating on June 3rd, 1945. He attended schools in Astoria, N. Y. before moving to Scotch Plains.

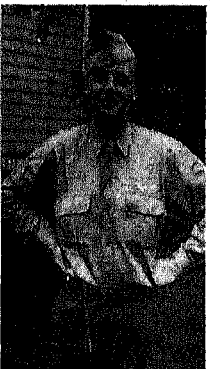


Lt. Robert J. Allen, O545197, is stationed in Germany with Co. A, 657th Engr. Topo. Bn., APO 408, c/o PM, NY. Enlisting in 1942 while attending the Univ. of Illinois, he was stationed at Camp McCoy, Wis., from July to October, '43. After completing special training in Topog-

raphy at Fort Belvoir, Va., he received his commission on March 8, 1944. Then followed additional specialized training at Fort Belvoir, Camp McCoy, Camp Campbell, Ky., and Fort Jackson, S.C., after which, in February 1945, he was assigned to overseas duty in the ETO. His wife, Mrs. Juliet Allen, resides at Berwyn, Ill. Lt. Bob's local home is at Hilltop Road.

New additions to our Honor Roll are Louis Mancini and R. T. Young, both in training with the Navy at Bainbridge, Md. Total names now on roll - 757.

Sgt. C. E. Eller Jr., Pfc. Jos. H. Kuegel and S/Sgt. James Walter McNutt have received honorable discharges.



Pvt. Palmer W. Webster, 32452726, has been in the Army since August 10, 1942. He trained at the Sioux Falls, S. D., Radio School and at the Los Vegas, Nev., Gunnery School, before setting sail for the British Isles on November 12th, 1943. He likes England very much but,

like so many other fellows, longs to see the Statue of Liberty again. His group was awarded the Presidential citation. His overseas address is GPRS, APO 551 c/o PM, NY. Locally, he lives with his parents at Trenton Avenue, Scotch Plains.

W. J. Johnson, S 1/C, stationed at San Bruno, Calif., writes that as one of the younger fellows he is grateful for school news.

"If it were not for The Scotch Plainsman", writes Eddie Hyslip, MM 3/C from the Marianas, "I would be completely out of touch with things back home." He and the rest of the boys in the 51st CB outfit are waiting anxiously for the arrival of the day when they can sail for home for keeps.



Pvt. Albert Caparola, 32146049, 51st Sign. Bn., 16th Q. Co., APO 464, c/o PM, NY, entered the Army on April 25th, 1941, training at Camp Worth, Ga., and Camp Stuart, Calif. He went overseas in February 1943 spending 13 months in Africa at Orange Bizerte and Algiers and the

rest of the time in Italy at Foglia, Bari, Verona, Lake Garda and Modona where he is now stationed. Al originally was assigned to the artillery but later transferred to the signal corps. He attended school in Scotch Plains and is a carpenter by trade.

Archie Payne, former Infantryman who has been hospitalized for a leg wound, has been transferred to the Engineers and is now in Antwerp with a dredging crew. He still requires medical care but is happy in his new assignment which gives him a chance to brush up on his pre-war job of apprentice die and tool maker.

Originally with the 1st Army, T/John MacCormack has just left a hospital in France after a month's battle with pneumonia and is now assigned to a limited service group.

Lt. Don Shreve, 367th Ftr. Sqdn., 358th Ftr. Grpo., writes from Mannheim, Germany, that he was pleasantly surprised with a visit from M/Sgt. Warren Sims and invites any other fellows from Scotch Plains and Fairwood who are in the vicinity of Mannheim to look him up. Says the Scotch Plainsman is just like a letter from home.



William D. Smith, F 1/C M.M., is stationed at the Naval Air Station at Houma, La. He donned Navy Blue for the first time in June, 1943, training at Camp Lakes where he took a special course in mechanics in machine shop. Completing his training, he was sent to Houma

where he has been stationed ever since. His home is at 5 Turney Avenue.
