

NOVEMBER, 1943

Well, Felix, all I can say, is it serves you right. I keep asking you for news and I never get anything from you direct. I print what is passed on to me and then you get mad at me because I print it wrong. Please, Felix, forgive me. I will try to do better in the future. Here is Felix's letter received Sept. 18.

"I have just received my News letter and I notice you have at last succeeded in letting the folks back home know I have made a corporal's rating. The only trouble is, Mae, I have been a corporal since last March, and have been a sergeant since the first of September.

"I am still on my same job as meat and dairy food inspector at Camp Mackall. I hope you get this little bit of news in the paper before the war is over and we are all home again. My address is:

Sgt. Felix Ardin 32277408  
Office of the Station Veterinarian  
Camp Mackall, N.C.

So long for now,  
Felix"

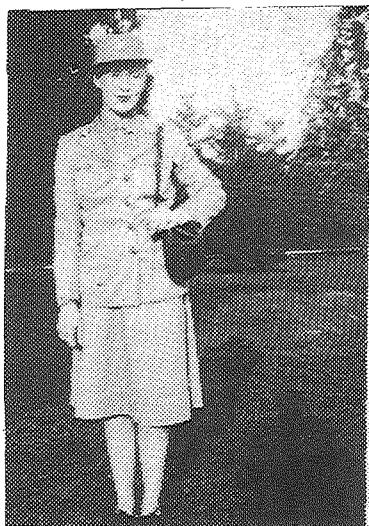
Pvt. Radford Barkman  
32385526  
389 Bomb Squadron  
312 Bomb Group  
Salinas A.A.B., Salinas, Calif.

In this issue we have Rad's address and in the last issue we had a picture of his wife, Ginny.

Another pair of French sailors has been staying with Mrs. Fuld at Fairmount. If it had not been for them, Mrs. Lutz would not have had such a comfortable moving time. The two sailors proved to be modern Goliaths. They picked up dressers with the drawers still in them and moved them, contents and all.

Bill Lutz had his tonsils out. He would like to have his address in the paper so he gets some news.

Pfc William P. Lutz  
5th Marines F.M.F.  
B Co 1 Bn. 1 Mar. Div.  
c/o Fleet Post Office  
San Francisco, Calif.



Lt. Evelyn Crotsley Rae



Dolores Moran

Gracie Barkman is studying to be a nurse at Somerset Hospital. Right now she is being taught the proper care of patients' false teeth, glass eyes and wigs. That seems to stump her more than the names of all the bones in the body.

Jack Kotlaba was in the Sicilian offensive and has been receiving the news papers. He asked that we include some baseball news. Bob Grady is going to come through with some of that kind of dope. As for me, all I can say is, I am a dope where sports are concerned. But we'll give you the kind of news you want, Jack.

Chink and Evelyn Sturzenegger spent the weekend at Wildwood Crest with Lt. (J.C.) and Mrs. Franklyn Emmett. Remember, Betty and Yank

Mr. Baruch came through the primary election with flying colors. He was put on the ballot for Justice of the Peace with one vote.

Ruley Slater has moved into the apartment next to John Rockefeller's. I'll bet the lower end of town will miss his one man band.

Somebody must have been mighty hard up for a flag down at Hacklebarney. Louise Lutz put up her flag on the flag pole, inwardly making the statement that that flag would fly until Bill comes home. She recently moved from her house along the river to the Grady house on the Borie place. She left the flag hang where it was for a few days, until she had a chance to come back and take it down. She didn't get that chance to take it down. Somebody beat her to it and stole the flag from the pole.

*A Negro's prayer:* "O Lord, help me to understand that you ain't gwine to let nuthin' come my way that you and me together can't handle."

Here's a boner I found in an English paper today. "Gabble is a wooden hammer used to obtain silence with."

Bill Henderson, who used to go to Roxbury, and was a resident of Port Morris, is working on a Government project in Greenland.

Cliff Garrison is still way over there in Persia and is still eating Spam and sand. He complained about the dust and I am not exaggerating one bit when the sand actually gritted on his writing paper. The same day I received a letter from him saying that he had received the paper, I received a letter from his family saying that he had not received the paper in a long time. I guess it is right about the U.S. mails, "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds."

Cliff sends his best regards to Preston Pace back home, who has been a very sick man.

Mickey Murchison is in the Seabees.  
S 2c Milton G. Murchison  
Plat. 8208 Area C4  
Barracks 113, Camp Peary  
Williamsburg, Va.

And another address:  
Warrant Officer Joseph C. Ike  
W-2106515  
Ser. Co. 8th Armd Tk. Bn.  
APO 254  
c/o Postmaster, Camp Bowie  
Texas

Another V letter from Hank Philhower saying it takes a long time for the paper to get where he is but it comes no matter what happens.

**Boonton Routs  
Bernards 39 To 6**

Joe Croot was home from Oklahoma at the suggestion of his draft board. He went to Newark and received a deferment until January so he is going to be able to finish his course in aeronautics at Tulsa. He has about five more weeks to go but is going to stay home and relieve the manpower shortage for a while and help his dad take in the corn crop.

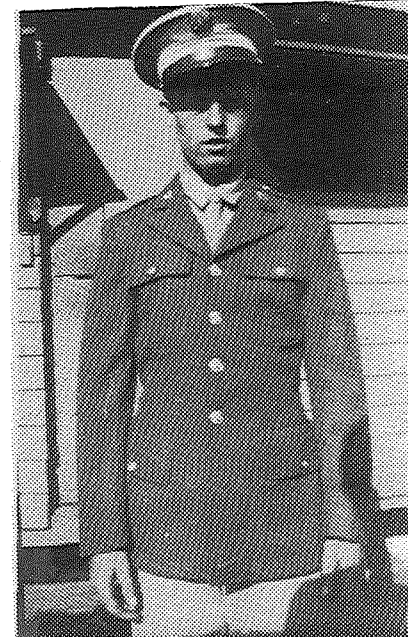
Russell Beavers and his wife have been home for a visit. Rus has been made a staff sergeant. He repairs various kinds of motors. He expects to be moved and has no idea where. So Selma will stay home for a while until Rus knows where he is headed.

The Kappes boys' addresses are:  
Pvt. Charles L. Kappes  
32770255  
Tr. B. 90th RCN Sq.  
APO 184, Los Angeles, Calif.

Pvt. John R. Kappes  
32778719  
Co. B 1st Inf. Regt.  
A.G.F. Repl. Depot No. 1  
Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Dud Bragg is taking a course in coding and classification at Washington and Jefferson College. He is now,  
Sgt Dudley D. H. Bragg  
12162201  
Co. B, No. Hall, W&J College  
A. AS. Enl. Br. no 8, Class 16  
Washington, Penna.

George Williams broke his flashlight and is trying so hard to get it fixed. He can't understand that there have been no flashlight batteries in the stores around for a long, long time. Poor Georgie!



Pvt. Earl Jacobus  
32778716  
Btry A 871 FA BN  
APO 454  
Camp Robinson, Ark.



George Kellett, son of Rose Martin of the South Road, has decided to winter

in Florida. He says he likes the climate and sights, and things.

Jack Martin is now making bombs. The plant was making only 250 lb. bombs but two days after they got the benefit of Jack's services, they stepped up to 500 lb. bombs, and this ain't no lie either.

Doc Carberry died last month. And Mr. Neill of Flanders. Many of you boys know of him as the father of Natalie and Annrea. He was also the illustrator of The WIZARD OF OZ books and the author of several of them. Mr. Neill had been ailing for some time but it was no less of a shock when he passed away in September.

Remember Bill Cook of the Percy Cook family? He writes from Hampton, Virginia. Bob Crammer sends him the copies of the HONOR ROLL. He says it seems as if everyone mentioned therein is his next door neighbor. His mother has enjoyed them, too. She would like to see some of the home folks and they can get in touch with her at RT. 8, Box 43, Roanoke, Va. Bill is working at electrical engineering which is mostly defense work now. He's been in Kentucky, West Virginia and Virginia. When they say "Sunny South", Bill doesn't believe it. He sure got all he wanted last fall and winter on 85 foot towers and sub stations. Best regards to all, Bill Cook.

Katherine Smith is engaged to Hurley Burd, Jr. of Sergeantsville. They are both working at the United Wallpaper in Fairmount.

John Naughtright of Naughtright has been made an ensign.

Andy Drysdale's ankle snapped again and his foot is now in a cast. He has been transplanted to Fort Riley, Kansas. All his company shipped out but Andy, and he had given up the opportunity for OCS because he wanted to stay with his outfit of men. Too bad, Andy. His new address:

Cpl. Andrew Drysdale  
Hq. & Hq.  
11th Corps  
Fort Riley, Kansas.

Anna Williamson is still teaching at Dover.

The following girls in town have so far joined the Nurse Cadet Corps:

Jeannette Williamson  
Dot Fleming  
Dot Roesing  
Grace Barkman

Mrs. Lance has been in the hospital and had a major operation. Mrs. Meyer (Baker) has just returned too after an emergency operation. They are both doing well.

A Red Army soldier told the following story: "We caught a dozen Nazi parachutists in civilian clothes who had come down to blow up our warplants. They were condemned to death. So we conducted them into a neighboring forest to be shot. All the way there, one of the prisoners who had the most decorations kept lamenting:

"I can't stand it, I can't stand it!"

"But when we arrived in the forest—he stood it all right!"

George Apgar is seen here in a favorite pose, working away on machinery. After George finished high school he got a job with Birch and Birch in Dover where he was a first class mechanic. After he was called to service he went to Florida where he took his basic. From there he was sent to school in Illinois. He couldn't wait until he got back at the innards of a motor and got a chance to get his hands black and greasy again. This picture was taken in South Carolina but he is now in England at the same work. He wrote and said that he did not get sea sick crossing the big pond. His address is:

Sgt. George M. Apgar, Jr.  
50th Sta. Comp. Sqd.  
32770191  
A.P.O. 634  
% Postmaster  
New York, N. Y.



The body of little Jacqueline Blide, the three year old daughter of Lucy Messler Blide, who is living near the old Mendham Reservoir, was found in the reservoir last week. Jackie was playing outdoors and Lucy thought she had gone to visit the next door neighbor, as has often been the custom. The mother went to find the child and she was nowhere to be found. Lucy headed for the reservoir and there she saw the little body floating on top. Artificial floating was attempted but to no avail. She had probably been in the water for a long time. Our most sincere sympathy, Lucy and Otto.

There was another block dance in town on Labor Day given by the Chester Camp Fire Girls.

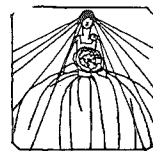
Steve Rosko has been made a corporal in the paratroopers.

Clifton Waters has been made musician first class.

Lonny Thomson wants to get in the navy when he gets a false tooth.

Nothing's happened on the school bus this year. The kids are all too sleepy.

Lex Drew is having trouble with his pinocle. He had to walk home the other night.



Ida Hamilton, granddaughter of Mrs. Hockenbury was married to Charles Dehne of Somerville in the Chester Federated Church. Before the ceremony was performed, the congregation joined in singing THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER in honor of Monty, brother of the bride who was wounded and awarded the Purple Heart.

The Spinelli family who now occupy Father Delaney's place next to Oscar Gardner, decided to dine on one of the delicacies that Mother Nature provides for her children—mushrooms. But, my friends, when partaking of mushrooms be sure they are the right kind! That feast was a near tragedy. They wuz the wrong kind of mushrooms; they ate the kind of mushrooms the fairies seek shelter under from the rain! A group of seven people were all rushed to the hospital, their stomachs were pumped out, the evil mushrooms removed and now all is well again. The Spinelli's are a little mushroom-wiser. Louise Jacobus should be highly complimented on the efficient nursing service she provided for the group all day Sunday when the victims were all feeling their worst.

Ralph Smith gets around. He had been living at the McAlpin and is now at The New Yorker.

Mark Fleming has been made a line corporal. His outfit and Bob Wright's outfit have been made into a tank destroyer outfit.

Bill Smith is now going to school.

Elnora Crabtree and family have moved to the house opposite Charley Williamson's.

Beulah and her daughter have left for Wilmington, N. C. to live with some of Bill's family.

Neal Robinson is in North Africa.

Both Mendham and Long Valley are dedicating an Honor Roll to the honor of all the boys in the Armed Forces.

Bob Kappes was home on a ten day furlough and has returned to Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Johnny Wilcox of Brookside has been discharged from the Air Corps after four month's hospitalization. He was an Air Cadet and was stricken with rheumatic fever.

Kenny Burd went to the hospital for an appendix operation. Betty had his lunch all ready for him to go to work, instead he went to the hospital.

Mary Jane Cruse had her tonsils removed but she looks the same, Ken.

AMONG the peoples who practice polygamy, especially the Mohammedans, women sometimes ask their husbands to marry a second wife when they are overburdened with housework and child-bearing. If such a request is denied, the wife can take the matter to court and usually make her husband comply.





O, Mary Lou,  
With eyes of blue,  
And heart so true,  
I'm asking you  
Is this a chicken!

Albert Birkmaier was caught with his pants down. In fact, without any pants at all. When he left the States, he took only one bundle of clothes with him. His father warned him he'd better get another pair of pants. He would not heed the voice of experience. There came the day when all his clothes were dirty and he had to send all his things to the laundry. His clothes came back. Everything was there but the pants. The only other pair he had was on him and dirty. They, too, had to go to the laundry. He visited the laundry to see if he could locate his clean pants. They were nowhere to be found. I never did hear the end of the story so I guess Al has been running around sans trousers. "Sans" is French for "without".

**SPEEDED UP POTATO** growth is one of the advantages of using seed potatoes treated with propylene and ethylene. Both are gases obtained from petroleum during the process of refining it. They double the speed of growth of potatoes, and enrich them with a higher percentage of vitamin C. The spuds grown from such seeds are also larger and more numerous. Ethylene is already widely used by citrus growers to color oranges rapidly.

The seventh grade girls have made a service flag which they have hung in the hall at the school. They also keep the pictures of all the boys from Chester school who are in the Armed Forces, hanging in the school.

Joe Rosko goes in service soon.

Mrs. Gert Dean was named County Committeewoman for the Democrats. Her name was written in on the ballot. She refuses to run.

The Annual Woman's Club Masquerade has been changed this year to a card party. Too bad, too, the kids were looking forward to a dance. Not much excitement in town lately.

I hear June Apgar was on the right end of a crap game.

Lorraine Emmons will soon be in the hospital as a surgical patient. As soon as she gets caught up with her work at the job. Same kind of a cist that has been giving Al Crammer so much trouble.

Fred Apgar from Succasunna was married to Miss Crater from Mount Freedom.

It was Max Baer - Joe Louis night. In between rounds, Max's manager said, "Yer got him dizzy, kid. He hasn't layed a glove on yer."

Max said, "Well then watch the referee; somebody's knocking hell outa me!"

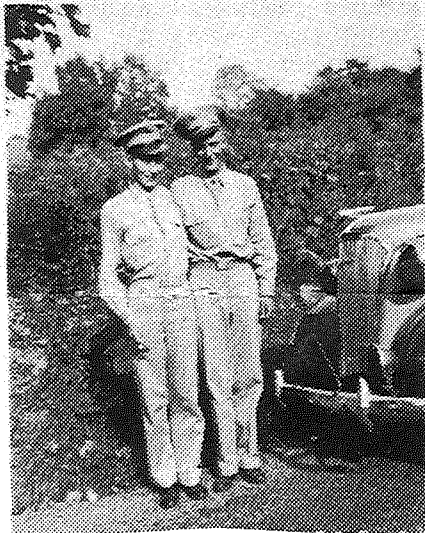
How many have noticed that all the four kings in a pack of cards are left-handed? They are Caesar (Spades), Charlemagne (Clubs) David (Diamonds), and Alexander (Hearts)—the most powerful monarchs in history.—S. L. PIGGOT.

Instead of getting the furlough which he expected, George Rockefeller was sent to the same hospital with the same complaint that he had when he first went into the Army. Too bad, Pike.

They say plumbers forget their tools when they start out on a job. Bob Call forgets his when he finishes a job. And there must be something wrong when the thing he forgets is a ladder!

Bernie Burger, newcomer to Pleasant Hill and fighting with the armed forces in Sicily also receives the paper.

Tom Wyckoff received an honorable discharge from the Army. Here is a picture of him and his brother, Alfred. Do you know which is which?



Odds are according to leading students of the subject; 650,000 to 1 against a royal flush; 65,000 to 1 against a straight flush; 4,000 to 1 against four of a kind; 700 to 1 against a full house; 500 to 1 against a flush; 250 to 1 against a straight; 50 to 1 against three of a kind; 20 to 1 against two pairs; five to four against a pair.

Service men still use the military salute that originated in Elizabeth's 16th century England.

No beauty prize winner, Elizabeth once announced her decision to go aboard some naval craft on an inspection tour. The authorities feared the English seamen might not have the same respect for their queen after a close-up view of her features. One captain solved the problem by ordering his men to raise their right hands "to shield their eyes from her majesty's dazzling beauty." That was the beginning of the salute, subsequently adopted with variations by most armies and navies.

Queries from clients. Q. Which has the greater love for a man, his mother or his sweetheart? A. It has been said by an expert on this matter that: "The greatest love is a mother's, then comes a dog's, then a sweetheart's."

Originally, the *Beer Barrel Polka* was a Czech melody called *Skoda Lasky*; in English *Unrequited Love*.



### Scholastic

COUNTY  
Dover 0, Roxbury 0.  
Boonton 39, Bernards 6.  
Verona 34, Madison 7.  
Rockaway 26, Mt. Lakes 7.  
Valley Stream (L.L.) 20, Butler 0.

Roxbury 15 Boonton - - 19  
" 6 Washington 28  
" 27 Newton - - 6

DOVER—For the first time in their long history, Morris County's oldest rivals, Dover and Roxbury, battled to a scoreless tie here on Saturday. Honors were about even, Dover gaining far more yardage on the ground and through the air and piling up more first downs but Roxbury making the most serious scoring threat. A Gael back crossed the Dover goal on a 40-yard pass and run but the play was called back for clipping and the visitors could not continue their drive.

Holdnak set up the play by intercepting a Dover pass and running it back 40 to the Orange and Black 40 where he was forced out of bounds. On the next line up, "Dobber" Johnson heaved a

### Football Results

Penn 33	EAST	Columbia 0
New London C. G. 27	Bates 6	
Colgate 20	Cornell 7	
F. & M. 28	Muhlenberg 6	
Penn State 45	Maryland 0	
Pitt 18	Bethany 0	
Swarthmore 79	CCNY 0	
Army 38	Yale 7	
Yale 18	Camp Edwards 7	
Brooklyn 25	Buffalo Gun 0	
Brown 62	Camp Kilmer 3	
RPI 7	Sampson NTS 0	

Myrtle Dean has completely finished her student training at All Soul's Hospital. On the first of November, she takes a job as a supervisor at the hospital. She missed out on taking her state boards at this time as she yelled so long and so loud when she finished her training that she developed a case of laryngitis and did not recover in time for state boards.

Charles Vanderhoof is in the infantry.

Pvt. Charles F. Vanderhoof  
Co. C. 9th Bn  
Fort McClelland, Alabama.

Lou Beibigheiser is making the attractive addition of setting up the print for the first page of the newspaper. Mighty attractive new face it gives us, doesn't it?

Mrs. Schaefer put her finger where she had no damn business to put it and Mr. Schaefer cut it off. Just a little bit off the end - making hamburgers. Mr. Schaefer too, got his finger where it didn't belong and broke it at the first joint. He caught it in the car door, the hinge side. And he was laughing at Mrs. S. a few days before when she sliced a small end of hers.

There is a rumor around town, well founded, that they are considering moving the post office to the Savage building. Nothing definite has been decided as yet but Mack's store is also under consideration. The quarters in the present post office are becoming quite congested. So much mail going in and out to you fellows. And then the telephone exchange has been enlarged so that takes up some of the extra space.

Arnold Nicholls now owns the building and, in case the post office moves, he will probably move his office up to the vacant store. Lots of changes in the old town.



George and Bess Mennen are leaving town to move somewhere else. They don't know as yet where they will move to but we are mighty sorry to see them go. They have been valuable and cooperative citizens of this small village. They have entered into all activities with gusto and enthusiasm that is no common commodity. We hope they will soon find it convenient to come back to Chester and make this their permanent residence.



The Camp Fire Girls under the leadership of Mrs. Floyd Beavers conducted a play at the Boro Hall. John Steinberg was Master of Ceremonies. Helen and Sue Kossow danced two cute dances, one an Irish and the other a military dance. Angus Dunn sang and had a frog in his throat at the beginning but after he coughed up the frog, he sang very well. Lois Hollenbeck and Doris Dewitt did a tap dance. Connie Mansfield sang a "Prayer of the Boys Over There". By the glint in Connie's eye and the sincere tone of her voice, I think maybe she was saying a prayer for a boy in Panama. Helen Beavers and Tillie Barkman really tap danced. Katherine Steinberg sang while Father John held the mike for her. Katherine's really cute. No resemblance to Poppa. Wanda Pitney and Joanne Russell danced with rhythm and enthusiasm. Winnie Mansfield danced and had on the most attractive outfit, what there was of it. Our boys in Africa sure would have enjoyed it—nice legs. Winnie is really talented. The audience brought her back three times. They also had a true-false contest between five township girls and five Boro girls—Boro won, of course. Good show.

Joseph Sharkey of the South Road is now an Ensign, a flying instructor at Bronson Field, Pensacola, Florida. His address is:  
Ens. Joseph Sharkey  
N.A.A.S. Bronson Field  
VN8D8 - B  
Pensacola, Florida.

A post card came from Rio from Bob Thomson who gets the paper down there.

The Scout Cabin is almost all paid for. Only \$100.00 to go. A good bit of the debt was paid off by the collection of papers and scrap metal. Of course, several sizable donations were received.

Lt. and Mrs. Louis Staino spent the week-end with Lou's family in Long Valley. They are in Coffeyville, Ky.

The Chester A.C. played quite a few baseball games this summer. The baseball team comprised the same members as the football team with the exception of George Sutton and the addition of Manager Mickey Murchison and Peyton Rochelle. They almost hit a guy at Pottersville because he wouldn't shut up. That is, Joe Rosko almost did. The Chester Scouts beat the A.C.'s in a memorable game.



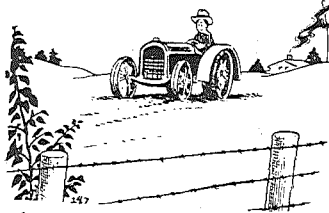
Greg Sturzenegger says Army life isn't too tough. They feed you good, give you a good place to sleep, all your clothes and fifty bucks a month. Now what the hell more could you ask for? "There's a lot of answers to that question!" says Greg.

Dancing for the young people continues at the Scout Cabin once every three weeks. The male population is sadly missing.

Karl Budd has been home on furlough. Also Walt Serbe.

With Griff in military service the Roxbury football squad is still battling hard. Mr. Clunn and Mr. Shambaugh are faculty coaches with Taller Alpaugh and Vin Reilly former grads doing the footwork and real coaching. They expect to keep most of the squad during the season but Red Miles is subject to call any day. George Sutton is strongly upholding the honor of Chester on the squad. The team was beaten by Boonton by score 19-15. And Washington took them over 19-6. George Sutton was not on the squad for the Washington game as he received an eye injury and was laid up.

Bob Marston spent a profitable summer aiding the war effort by pitching in and helping various farmers harvest their crops. Now that he has gone back to Drew to school, Evelyn Russell has to don her boots and jodphurs and drive the tractor to help on the farm.



That song "The Sergeant" in the last issue was especially dedicated to Earl Jacobus.

Doris Gardner and her daughter, Dianne have been home from Balboa for a visit with Doris' dad and aunt in Mendham. She will return to the Zone around about Christmas time.

Howard Robinson has been home quite regularly for week-ends from Camp Dix. His wife, Marian, spends part of her time at her home in Chester and the rest of the time with her mother in Middle Valley.

Tom Roff fell from a telephone pole and broke an arm.

A/C Edward Fleming  
Sq. E-V Flight 1  
A.A.F.P.F.S. (Pilot)  
% Postmaster  
Maxwell Field,  
Alabama.



A very worthwhile project is going on under the sponsorship of the Gee Haw Club of the Congregational Church. The basement of the church is being made into a recreation room for the young people of the town. It is proving to be an extensive job but much progress is being made. Already, the men and boys of the community have torn down a stone wall and materials have arrived to be used in laying the floor. Bob Marston and other male members of the Gee Haws supervise the work and the young men of the village furnish the manual labor. They have a lot of fun while they are doing it and after all the work is over, Bob takes the group and treats them to a cool glass of cider or soda pop or whatever is on hand.

Jack Hoffman has changed his address:  
PFC John C. Hoffman, Jr.  
32159979  
Batt. L  
96 Coast Art. APO 953  
% Postmaster  
San Francisco, Calif.

Annie Delwack, Cyrilla Barkman, Bea Wyckoff and Margaret Tester go to Asbury Park quite regularly. There must be something down there to keep them going so often. Of course, I did notice that some of them came back with some new hardware—crossed Boy Scout flags!

I've been waiting for a good story on Art Thompson and I have it, at last. Art was walking home from Schaefer's. He saw a car parked in front of Hollenbeck's and a girl standing with her head in the car and her rear end sticking out. Art thought it was Fern Conklin—don't know why he'd recognize anyone in that position—and he promptly swatted her rear end and shouted "Get along home with ya!" She turned around; Art took half a look at her and it wasn't Fern at all. It was someone he had never seen before in his life. And the next morning, there she sat in his car and she has been riding to work with him ever since! Romance!

Hank Lee expects a furlough as he has signed up for combat duty—still in Utah. Art's still in California.

Here's an item I lifted from N. Y. Journal.

**INDIANS** rarely have hay fever, Morons never have it. Like asthma it is usually the intellectual type of persons who suffer from hay fever.

And, boy, have I got Hay Fever!

*Yours,  
Mal Call*