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Victory Dance On Sunday Night Includes Unusual Musical Show; Proceeds For Army Welfare Work

FROM THE SOLDIERS

Excerpts From Letters By Fighting Men

Somewhere in Alaska
August 27, 1942

I arrived in Alaska about a week ago and I had a wonderful trip coming here. I'm glad to say that I'm in the best of health and that I'm getting along swell. No, they didn't tell us in advance that we were coming up here but we all guessed.

Here is some good news! I got promoted a couple of days ago to a Private First Class (one stripe). It isn't much but it's a step upward. It also means an increase in pay of four dollars a month. I'm in the Quartermaster Corps and have a wonderful job. It's in a supply department and I am working in the office, filing and typing.

I suppose you're wondering about what I've been doing. Well, I can't very well tell you everything but I can tell you that Alaska really surprised me. I thought it would be much different. I went to the movies yesterday and saw "They All Kissed The Bride" with Joan Crawford. It was really good and funny.

I don't expect a furlough for a long time, probably a year. Nothing much more to say except to give my regards to all my friends in the service and to all my friends and neighbors back home.

P. F. C. Myron J. Rishty

Somewhere in Palestine

I received some letters and post-cards when I got here and after the long and weary voyage, you'll never know
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You have never attended anything like it before and you will never attend anything like it again.

This Sunday night, September the 27th, the Girls Junior League is sponsoring the first Victory Dance of the new season. Admission is a dollar, the Jewish Communal Center at Avenue I and East 13th Street is the place! Bernie Kushel and his orchestra will supply the music and all profits go to the Army Welfare Committee's fund for gift-packages to soldiers. So much for the necessary details.

Some time after 10 o'clock that night, a young group of actors modestly calling themselves The 67th Street Loafers and Poolroom Sharks Dramatic Society will take over the stage and will present the most hilarious, laugh-provoking, rib-tickling musical show ever put on at a dance in our community. It is called "You Produce 'Em—We Marry 'Em" or "All That Money Can Buy." You are guaranteed a good time.

There are six old suitors, played respectively by Ralph Gindi, Joe Gindi, Jack Sedaka, Abe Cohen, Neville Sardell and Sammy Anteby. Joe Botesh will play the part of Oro as well as

the part of the retail store boss. Ralph Tawil is a combination salesman-delivery boy and Oro's lover, the inimitable Fred Laniado plays Oro's mother and Morris Dweck will be the marriage broker.

Lyrics have been written by Nat Ades and Sol Attie, props handled by Morris Sardell and Jack Mamie, Irving Botesh has done the sign-painting and Sidney Antebi has helped with the program.

Here are the reasons why no one should miss this dance.

1) All proceeds will go for Army Welfare work. 2) The dance is a sort of farewell affair to fifteen boys who will be inducted a week later. 3) Sunday night the 27th will follow two quiet inactive days of Succoth. 4) A really good little play which everyone is bound to enjoy has been prepared.

Come all, come early. The dance will start at 8:00 p.m. Take the Avenue J bus to Coney Island Avenue and walk one block over.

Tickets are being sold in advance and at the door at the same price and, remember, all proceeds to the Army Welfare Committee.

Victory Book Drive Is Extended; Collectors Report Good Response

The Victory Book Drive in this Community, begun on Monday, September 14 and originally scheduled to continue for only one week, has been extended for another two weeks by the Army Welfare Committee.

Collectors on every block sent out post-cards notifying the residents in each assigned section of the time and date on which the packages of books would be collected but many people asked for more time. Hence, the extension period.

Reports from volunteers who have already collected books have been good. Some homes in the community came through with a surprisingly large number of books.

Included among the volunteer collectors are Marge Labaton, Isaac Au-

teby, Pearl Tawil, Jack Dweck, Evelyn Mishan, Stella Sardell, Esther Sardell, Morris Safdie, Shirley Braha, Marilyn Dayan, Norma Esses and Effie Zonana.

Three Sergeants Arrive In Britain

Sergeants Joe Cohen, Fred Fallas and David Cohen have arrived in England. The latter reached his destination safely on September 9, his family was notified by the War Department.

Sergeant Fallas and Sergeant Joe Cohen had previously landed in the British Isles in mid-August, crossing on the largest troop shipment of the war.

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Victory Bulletin Asks Your Support

Your support of this paper has been magnificent. Your letters of thanks and praise, your generous contributions for advertisements and your willingness to help in any way in helping us to gather the news of our community is deeply appreciated. We now ask you, for one more bit of support.

So far, we who are in charge of the finances of the Victory Bulletin have pursued a "hand-to-mouth" policy. We would solicit ads, put out an issue and solicit ads again for the next issue. This policy cannot continue indefinitely.

We have therefore decided to put this paper on a subscription basis. One dollar a year for twelve issues per year is not too unreasonable. Our soldier boys would of course continue to get the paper free of charge.

This issue and the coming November issue will be sent to you on the old basis. After that, well, sorry, but we won't be able to send it unless your dollar subscription has come in.

But come to think of it, a dollar really isn't much when that dollar will mean that the soldiers will continue to receive a paper from home and that the paper that has re-awakened our community will continue to be published.

We know we can count on you. Start sending your dollars now and if you're going to send a check, make it out to — Girls' Junior League, Brooklyn.

Looking Ahead At The New Year

Let us not delude ourselves. The outlook for the year that is ahead of us is not bright. Many of us are going to suffer untold hardships. We may lose loved ones on the field of battle. We may lose loved ones by bombings at home.

In The Mail-Box

To The Editors,

This is to let you know that we soldiers appreciate your support and that we appreciate getting your paper.

There is one suggestion I would like to make. Why not print a complete list of all the boys in service?

Your friend,

Private Al Sultan

Fort Bragg, N. C.

(Ed. Note — We have received the same suggestion from many other sources. There is nothing that we would like better than to be able to run a complete list of our soldiers and where they are stationed in every issue but our space is limited.

We have been listing them in groups of twenty and thirty every month and will continue to do so. If you have any particular friends in the Army whom you wish to contact, write us at — The Victory Bulletin, 2162 72nd

But come what may, we will not flinch, we will not shirk our duties. We will stand together, resolute and determined, Americans all, soldier and civilian, Jew and non-Jew, alike, with belief in our great cause and faith in our inevitable victory.

We will not hope, but rather, we will work and fight, that we may all celebrate our next New Year together in a world that has been cleared of every Nazi and every Fascist that is now alive.

The members of this staff and the members of the Girls' Junior League join in sending holiday greetings.

To the boys from our community who are serving under MacArthur in Australia,

To the ever-increasing number of our soldiers in the British Isles,

To all of the community's uniformed boys in camps throughout this country and

To every member of our community, whether living in New York, or in Chicago, Texas, Washington or California.

A Happy and Victorious New Year!

Exercise Your Right, Register And Vote

Our soldiers are on every sea and every continent of this earth fighting for institutions sacred and dear to every American and one of these is the right to freely express yourself on the representatives who shall govern you.

In the past, many of us have neglected to exercise our democratic right to vote.

This year, more than ever, it is important that all of us who are eligible

St., B'klyn, N. Y., and we will do our best to send you their addresses.)

To The Editors,

I want to send a message to the girls of our community even though I am not much good at writing.

The Victory Bulletin prints addresses of our boys in the armed forces and suggests that we write them. What's holding us up? I have spoken to a few of the boys on leave. Most of them haven't received any mail and are disappointed about it. Why not drop the boys a line now and then?

Don't worry about knowing them or not. I have written to three boys whom I only knew casually and I have received answers from the three of them telling me how happy they are to see that we still remember them.

O. K. gals, start writing.

Adele "Pep" Dabah.

to vote register beforehand so that we may cast a ballot on Election Day. For, to win this total war, we at home must elect "Win-The-War" candidates who are total supporters of our President.

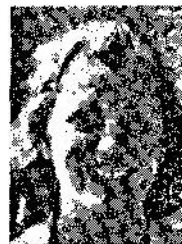
Registration Day this year is October 5 - 10. Register so that you may vote and vote so that you may strengthen the President's hand in Washington.

MEET THE STAFF

Last May, a dozen people, most of them members of the Girls Junior League, met in somebody's front porch and discussed the idea of organizing a community newspaper. Four issues of the Victory Bulletin have followed. The girl who helped bring that group together was Adele Nahem.

Adele attended Hunter College and

for a girl who never had any newspaper experience in school, she does a remarkably good job both with her Civilian Defense column and with the straight news stories that she writes — or so the editors of the V. B. think.



She was instrumental in forming the Girls' Junior League and was its chairman during its first year of existence. She usually eats standing up. Her rush to get to her activities is that great. Adele works for the Automatic Fire Alarm Co. as a book-keeper and her brother, as you probably know, is Barrister Sam Nahem, Philadelphia pitcher.

Over Forty Of Our Men and Boys Are Engaged In Defense Work

We have men in the Army, the Navy, the Marines and the Air Force. We have our civilian defense fighters, our blood donors and our bond-buyers too. And we also have our soldiers of production.

Close to forty men and boys from this community are up in the defense factory-studded town of New Britain, Connecticut, working at the Fafnir Bearing Co. Most of them are too young for the draft and there's one or two fellows who are too old.

"Ball bearings go into every weapon of war that moves forward," said Dave Attie, one of the first workers to migrate up there, "and we make ball bearings. I can't mention exactly what they go into but Flying Fortresses, PT boats and tanks don't move backwards."

Attie has already been accepted by the Army Air Force for training as a flying cadet on a bomber crew. In the meantime, he is working on the production line, awaiting his call.

Others in New Britain are David Missry and Sam Levey, machinists.

Then there's Morris Zagah and his son, Sam. Mr. Zagah, the father, is sixty years old. The Hannan brothers are also in New Britain, working as truckers. There's also Gabriel Gabra and his brother Eddie, machinist's helpers, Fred Cohen, Eddie Pallas, Jack Gindi, Abe Harary, Abe Shamie and many more.

In fact, there are so many up there that they have their own hang-out, a little cafeteria called Tex's Lunch.

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Bradley Dance Raises \$270 For Russia, China

Over two hundred and seventy dollars was raised at the August 30th dance held in the LaReine Hotel at Bradley Beach for the benefit of Russia and China, the committee of girls who sponsored the affair announced last week. Checks for \$135.19 each have been sent to and acknowledged by Russian War Relief and China Relief.

The dance was a social as well as a financial success. Besides every summer resident of Bradley who attended, groups from New York, Atlantic City and far-off Virginia drove up to the dance.

In a letter of thanks to the girls' committee for their contribution to our Russian ally, Henry C. Alexander, Vice-Chairman of the Greater New York Campaign for Russian relief, said, "We are indeed grateful for your co-operation. Today, when Russian people are fighting the greatest battle in history, every dollar is urgently needed for surgical and medical supplies which we at Russian War Relief are making every effort to ship with regularity and speed."

The committee, through Violet Dabah, thanked Mr. Kupperman, owner of the hotel, who donated the ballroom and all other necessary facilities free of charge, Hedaya and Co. and A. D. Sutton and Sons for the contribution of handkerchiefs as a gift to Mr. Kupperman, every member of the community who attended and all who co-operated and worked during the evening.

Military Guard In Wyoming

P. F. C. Morris Schwecky, in a Military Police Escort Guard Company, is now guarding Japanese internees in Wyoming. Schwecky, one of the first boys in our community to go into the Army, was formerly in a cavalry division.

Roll Of Honor

In letter after letter, the boys in service keep asking for the same thing — Mail from Home.

"Be sure you write me regularly", "I read every letter five times before I finally throw it away", "There's nothing special that I need. All I want is mail from you", they all keep saying.

This week, write a letter to at least one of the following men in uniform.

- PRIVATE JAMES ABADY, 581st Tech. Sch. Sqdn., T. S. 950, A.A.F.R.T.C., Miami Beach, Fla.
 PRIVATE EDWARD ANTAKI, 581st Tech. Sch. Sqdn., (S. P.), A.A.F.R.T.C., Miami Beach, Fla.
 PRIVATE RALPH BIGIO, 590—T. S. S., Flight B, Keesler Field, Miss., U.S.A.A.C.
 PRIVATE ABE M. COHEN, Co. I, Ard C. W. F. Tug. Bn., Camp Sibert, Gadsden, Ala.
 PRIVATE MOHRIS COHEN, Box A, Municipal Airport, Army Air Force, Oakland, California.
 PRIVATE SAM A. COHEN, Ambassador Hotel, Flight C, Rm. 802, 565th T.T.W., Atlantic City, N. J.
 PRIVATE VICTOR J. DWECK, Co. M, 1222 Reception Center, Camp Upton, N. Y.
 PRIVATE NORMAN ERANI, 990th Tech. School Sqdn, Flight A, Room 1-B, A.A.F.R.T.C., Atlantic City, N. J.
 PRIVATE HARRY S. FRANCO, Reception Center No. 5, Camp Upton, N. Y.
 PRIVATE JACK GINDI, 45th General Hospital, T. 1305, Camp Lee, Virginia.
 PRIVATE MOSES HARARY, 581st Tech. Sch. Sqdn., TS 879, A.A.F.R.T.C., Miami Beach, Fla.
 IRWIN MALEH, Fleet Sound School, 12-42, Key West, Florida.
 PRIVATE JACK RISHTY, 582 Tech. School Sqdn., 908 Trng. Sq., Miami Beach, Fla.
 PRIVATE ISSAC SAKA, Co. F., 8th Qm. Tng. Regt., Camp Lee, Virginia.
 ABRAHAM SHAMIE, U. S. Coast Guard, Bklyn Encampment, Erie Basin, N. Y.
 PRIVATE MORRIS SHMALO, Co. K.—QM. Tng. Regt. Barrack T-500, Camp Lee, Virginia
 PRIVATE MURAD YEDID, 32249747, HQ. Co. 87, Ren. Bn., A.P.O. 257, Camp Polk, La.

(Ed. Note — The number of boys from our community who are in America's armed service is constantly growing and the job of keeping up with changes in address and status grows correspondingly. Will soldiers and their families co-operate with us by dropping the Victory Bulletin a card whenever there is assignment to a new camp or embarkation for overseas service? In fact, send in any information which you think would be of interest to the community.)

HAPPY
NEW YEAR
FROM

Private Morris Shmalo
CAMP LEE, VA.

Service-Star Families

The Dwecks Of West 5th Street Will Be Doing Some Celebrating

(Ed. Note — This is the first in a series of articles on this community's families and the effect of the war on them. A "service-star family" article will appear monthly.)

When this war is over and the international gangsters are all comfortably tucked into electric chairs, there's going to be one heck of a big celebration everywhere. In our neighborhood, you can count on the Dwecks of West 5th Street to do more than their share of merry-making for that household has two sons in the Army, one in Japanese hands and a fourth who has received his questionnaire.

Two years ago, Morris, the eldest son, better known as Barney, went to Shanghai to represent his father's firm. Pearl Harbor came and the Japanese moved into the International Settlement there. It is not definitely known whether he is imprisoned but all Americans in Shanghai are known to be "under custody."

Charley, the second son, is attached to the Army Medical Corps as a corporal and was one of the first boys from this community to land in Australia.

Just two weeks ago, Victor, after failing to be accepted for officer training in the Signal Corps, joined the Army as a buck private. His brother David who has been training to become an aviation mechanic at Roosevelt Field, has received his questionnaire and it is just a question of time before he'll know whether he is to be a soldier on the production line or on the fighting front.

The reaction of those members of the family that are still here to the war is typically American.

Soldiers Observe High Holidays

Rosh Hashanah services for the Jewish New Year 5703 were marked this year by the presence of men in the armed forces at prayers of both the Magen David Congregation and the Community Junior League. A dozen soldiers and one sailor were present.

The C. J. L. set aside free seats for the men in uniform and during the course of the holidays honored every boy with an "alecyah."

Soldiers who were unable to obtain furloughs observed the holiday in their camps with Jewish chaplains conducting services, letters to their families reported.

Joseph Dweck, the father, is "hoping for the best." Mrs. Dweck says, "Of course I'd like to see my sons home but there is a job to be done and each of us has to do his small share."

David, the spokesman for the family, is sorry that Barney isn't home to join his brothers in their country's call. And the kids, the "eighteen and unders", "Well, they're proud of their brothers but they miss them. If anything, they want to see us home, all safe, after the war," David said.

G.J.L. Open Meeting On October 6

The first open meeting of the coming year will be held by the Girls Junior League on Tuesday night, October 6, promptly at 8:00 p.m. Rabbi Gewirtz has made his hall at 7220 Bay Parkway available for the evening.

All girls between the ages of 17 and 25 are urged to attend. New members are especially welcome.

Remember, Tuesday night, October 6, 8 o'clock, at 7220 Bay Parkway.

The Executive Committee.

Sixteen Pass First-Aid Test

Sixteen of seventeen students who took the full first-aid course passed their examinations on the night of August 9 and are now awaiting their Red Cross certificates.

The new "first-aiders" are Jack Ashkenazie, Reule Ash, Rose Ash, Sylvia Ash, Rose Bijou, Sam Bijou, Isaac Cabasso, Morris Dweck, Jack Gindl, Regina Gottlieb, Moe Haber, Ray Hildary, Judith Kanowsky, Fred Landado, Rachel Levy and Isaac Catton.

In appreciation of their teacher's work, the class presented Dr. Schlossman with a gift of ties and handkerchiefs on the night of their last meeting.

IF YOU CAN'T GO OVER — COME ACROSS — BUY WAR BONDS

Civilian Defense

Celebrities of the Month—Adele Cohen, the first Syrian girl to give blood twice and on her way to getting her Silver Pin soon. . . Mrs. Sarah Kairey for her cooperation in knitting sweaters for the Red Cross. . . Sam Catton for his work in the dedication of a plaque to the boys in the services on Yom Kippur Eve.

Civilian Personalities of the Month—He did it before and they did it again. Last month it was Shanty Mishan, who was mentioned as giving blood four times, and this month it is both Harry A. Tawil and Nat Cohen.

Harvy, a slight, unassuming fellow stated that he felt both physically and mentally splendid after he gave blood and added, "Anyone interested in seeing this war won by the Allies should think nothing of giving one or more pints of blood."

Nat Cohen, a husky youth, has a brother in the armed forces who was one of the first Syrian boys to set foot in England. "I want to back him up" he said. That is the spirit that will lead us to victory.

Finger-printing is still going on at the J.C.H. Come any night of the week from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. except Friday.

Members of the community who were away during the summer vacation and who were unable to enroll in the First Aid Class should register at once at the J.C.H. as classes are limited in enrollment.

Volunteers to assist in the collection of scrap are urgently needed. Submit your name to either the G.J.L. or the C.J.L. and become a Scrap Commando. Here is a list of salvage material that our country needs. Clip out this list and save it. To scrap the Axis, we need.

Aluminum, autos, batteries, bath tubs, boilers, brass, clothing, copper, felt hats, iron, lead, lighting fixtures, mattresses, metal toys, plumbing fixtures, pots and pans, radiators, rags, rubber, records, shoes, steel, tires, tubes, and zinc.

Look around your home and your place of work and dig up salvage material to bury our enemies.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM

NATHAN, PAULINE
and RAYMOND CHENEY
KNOXVILLE, TENN.

Hi, Peepul

By MARGE LABATON

Most popular remark of this past month was, "I'm going on the nineteenth." . . . Ray Shrem, "sweet sixteen and never been kissed," had her coming-out party on the twenty-ninth . . . Sailor Jack Leroy Levey is the sort of fellow who goes for the higher things. He thumbed a ride on a bomber from Pensacola to New York. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dayan are the proud parents of Mozelle, a baby daughter. . . . There were three sitting on a tombstone. Three's a crowd so the moon moved on — J. A. and P. M. stayed on — until the wee hours of the morning.

Alice Battat pulled the big surprise of the season by suddenly marrying Sidney Jacob. . . . Louis Beyda and all his fellow Dodger fans have developed nightmares and indigestion since the Dodgers started their nose-dive. . . . Pauline Mizrahi threw an impromptu party during the holiday week. Soldiers Nathan Mann, Sam Antar and Julie Kaivrey had their jackets tried on by every uniform-conscious girl present . . . Corporal Erwin Dayan speaking, "I'd rather face a Russian winter than ask a sergeant for a favor". . . Two Millies married this month, Millie Bennet to Raymond Nahem and Millie Misere to Private Morris Laniado. . . . Advice to Sam Laniado and Mac Haddad—With your ingenious methods of making the cards behave, why don't you go into partnership in a new "enterprise". . . . Attention Bob Hazan of Gary, Indiana —You're in. Happy?

Two shipping clerks left one of our larger handkerchief firms for the Army but not before they evened a few scores. One victim, poor fellow, had a few doses of Ex-Lax in his food. . . . The stork brought a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mazzia. . . . Talk of the holiday week-end—Ray Dishy's "hat" . . . When your reporter asked little Danny Beyda who his latest crush was, he answered, "I left them all in Bradley and they're eating their hearts out." Danny is 13. . . . Molly Sitten engaged to Private Morris Saidah. . . . Anything to please a soldier. Gladys GiGi Baker threw caution to the wind at the Club Bali when she sang "Shoo Hal Alb Hali Andek" and dedicated it to Corporal Eli Ashear. . . .

Late milestones—Married—Al Pearlman to Grace Cohen—A boy to Bob and Sally Betesh, and a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dweck.

Chang or Chingele (also known by many other names), the greatest retail salesman in America, met Soldier Raymond Tobias in New York and asked his old crony, "Tell me the truth, am I an honest card-player or ain't I?" Tobias diplomatically avoided telling him the truth. He answered, "Well, I never caught you . . . yet." . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kboodi of San Antonio, Texas, now have a Kboodi junior in their home. . . . Formula for meeting de-icers strolling on Bay Parkway. Ask their younger brothers for introductions. It works. . . . Females Go On A Blitz!—Fort Monmouth and Atlantic City, both overflowing with soldiers, were overwhelmed by "The Invaders," girls from our community who went asearching in bathing suits. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tawil of Scranton, Pa. enjoyed the holidays in New York.

Final Bradley Beach Highlights—Hy Dweck fell all over himself on

skates while with Julie Betesh at an Ashbury skating rink. . . . Come clean, Lindy, don't tell us you came all the way from Virginia just to attend the Bradley dance. Who's the girl? . . . Said dance, incidentally, was attended by all, all consisting from 11 to 111. . . . "Pep" Dabah who kept snapping her camera all night at the dance for fifty cents a picture, took a few pictures that may prove embarrassing. Offers for the negatives have gone as high as five dollars. Says Pep, "If I do take the dough, I'll go to the U.S.O." . . . The girls who went to the Sea Girl Inn imbibed so freely that they mistook the waiters for their boy friends. Topsy Vee D. and tippy Vee B. even changed dresses . . . in a dressing room. They weren't that merry . . . P.S.—For more dirt, see me personally. Whew, but the censorship was terrific this month.

Fifty More Pints Of Blood Wanted For October

A goal of fifty more pints of blood for the month of October has been set by the C. J. L. Red Cross Committee in its efforts to continue filling the Red Cross blood bank.

The results of the first drive filled the Blood Bottle up to the fifty-pint mark and it is hoped that this can be doubled before the end of this month.

Donors who have recently given blood include Abe Mizrahi, Hal Serure, Raymond Chalme, Reggie Sedaka, Shirley Betesh, Rose Asb, Sara Maleh and Ray Hiday.

As the war grows in intensity, the need for blood to save lives of soldiers will continue to grow. All members of the community are urged to register as blood donors with any officer of the Girls' Junior League or the Community Junior League.

FIGHT HITLER — FIGHT INFLATION — BUY MORE WAR BONDS

NEW YEAR GREETINGS
MR. and MRS. SAM LEVY
AKRON, OHIO

HAPPY NEW YEAR
from
MR. and MRS. MARTIN
BEYDA and Family

HAPPY HOLIDAY
from
STANLEY SHAMOSH
WASHINGTON, D. C.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS
MR. and MRS. EZRA LEVY
OCEAN CITY, MD.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS
FROM
TIFFANY CANDY
SHOP
NAT LANIADO
J. A. HABER

HAPPY NEW YEAR
SAM FALACK
NARRAGANSET, R. I.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
TO
Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Dayan and Family
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

YOUR PART IN THE WAR —
HEARD RUMOR. SPIKED SAME

FROM THE SOLDIERS

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how welcome they were. That voyage was, at one time, the longest and the dreariest that I have ever taken in my life.

I can't say much about where I'm at except to say that we are "somewhere in Palestine". As hot as it is here, it is still very lovely, and judging from the calm atmosphere, you would hardly think a war existed. Nevertheless, I'm sitting on pins and needles ready to go on flight duty and ready to do the job for which we were trained in the States.

If you don't hear from me for many days at a time, don't think that I've neglected to write. It may be that I have gone into action. From now on, most of us will have practically no time to ourselves.

Corporal Herbert O'Hayan
A. S. N. — 12041920
345th Bombardment Squadron
98th Bombardment Group
A. P. O. no. 1227 c/o Postmaster
New York City, N. Y.

U. S. Naval Air Station
Pensacola, Florida

I haven't been in Bensonhurst in a number of years so when I received your Victory Bulletin, I tacked it up on the bulletin board down here at Pensacola with my name on it and in that way, I was able to discover many other Syrian boys at this station.

Your paper is always mentioning the boys in khaki. Nothing is ever said about the boys in blue. I therefore decided to write you.



After getting a real going-over at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in Chicago, I was sent

down here. This place is called the West Point of the Air since it is the largest naval air station in the world. Our branch, the Hospital Air Corps serves both the Navy and the Marines.

Since the day that I volunteered for the Navy, I have found that being a Syrian is really a wonderful experience. I have no trouble whatsoever in finding friends. Upon arrival in a strange town, I immediately look up a Syrian-owned linen store and from there on I'm bound to be well occupied and well taken care of.

However, it remained for Mr. Shams (pronounced like sun in Syrian) and his wife, who have been very generous with their hospitality to teach me not to confine my discoveries to linen stores only. For Mr. Shams owns the largest grocery store in Pensacola.

Jack LeRoy Levey, HA 2/c
U. S. N. R.

Looking at The World - - - -

by MORRIS DWECK

The historic battle for Stalingrad is not over but the severity of the struggle, the valiant defense of that vital communications center by our wonderful Russian allies will not long be forgotten.

After thirty days of slaughter and bloodshed, it is now beginning to look as though the miracle may come to pass. The Red Army, outnumbered in supplies and in men at Stalingrad, seems about ready to pull "another Leningrad" and, though streets within the city have already been taken by the Nazis, it wouldn't be too optimistic to predict that the vital Volga city will probably remain in Russian hands.

However, if in the end it does fall, the Germans will have been made to pay the price, no, they will have been over-charged and doubly over-charged. For the citizen army of Stalingrad has been killing Germans at a fantastic rate, at a rate that will alarm us when we get the exact figures after the war. And in this war, destruction of the enemy army is much more important than holding positions.

Hard-pressed as they were in the Ukraine, the Soviet armies were still able this month to start limited offensives at Leningrad, Rzhhev and Voronezh. These offensives are a good sign of what the Russians will be able to do when they get the long-ago promised diversion in the West.

Elsewhere, the Japanese had to take some blows on the chin again in the Far East. Their efforts to re-land in the Solomon Islands failed badly, and

the Chinese recaptured three "Bomb-Tokyo" cities in South China. But don't let the Japanese fool you. The small losses they have taken have come solely because they are concentrating troops and shipping in Siberia and in Burma for a drive on India.

The United States and Great Britain still remain inactive with regard to the much-needed second front. History will some day record that we made a great mistake when we stood by during the winter of 1942-1943 while Hitler used that valuable time to prepare for our invasion.

Plaque Honoring Our Soldiers Is Dedicated

The pride and affection of our community for its boys who are in America's service was fittingly demonstrated on the eve of Yom Kippur, Sunday, September 28th, when the Community Junior League dedicated a service plaque in their honor.

The plaque, which is made to hold 300 names, had the names of eighty-nine soldiers and sailors at the time of its dedication. The list was supplied by the Victory Bulletin and more names will be inscribed monthly. The cost of the plaque was one-hundred dollars.

In dedicating the Roll of Honor, Rabbi Abadi and Sam Catton stressed the stake of every Jew in "this holy war against fascism."

DEFENSE WORKERS

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And one of the fellows swears that when the boys come home for their "furloughs", Tex's place is "just plain empty."

Include also Leo Tobias, Joe Laniado, Sam Nahem, Abe Dushey, Charley Sultan, Max Mizrahi, Ralph Mizrahi, Abe Haber, Sam Tarzy and Isaac Dana. Dana is a grinder of bearings and boasts a record of 106 out of 106 perfect bearings.

FIGHTERS ON THE HOME FRONT
ARE STILL NEEDED — JOIN
CIVILIAN DEFENSE

HAPPY NEW YEAR
ELIA S. LANIADO
STAMFORD, CONN.

Victory Bond Table Set Up By G. J. L.

The Victory Table to "bond-bard" the Axis that has been set up by the Girls' Junior League to sell war stamps and bonds sold more than three hundred dollars worth in its first three nights.

On the night of Tuesday, September 22, another six hundred dollars in bonds and stamps were sold by Vickie Berure and Fannie Nahem.

On its first and second night the demand was so great that the girls manning the table were sold out in a few minutes. On Thursday night, however, they were well supplied and sold over two-hundred dollars in bonds and stamps.

The Victory Table will be out every week-day night, except Friday, serving you and helping you to serve your country.

Joe Attie Finally Gets Home After Circling The Globe

Four years ago, Joe Attie left his home for the American University at Beirut. The world was at peace then. It was Munich-time and everyone thought that somehow Mr. Chamberlain would continue to find enough small nations with which to satiate Hitler's appetite and thus avert war.

Last week, Joe Attie returned. He had completed his four years of medical studies — which was why he had gone to the Near East — but he had to circle the world to do it. He had to dodge bombs outside of Cairo, drive a Red Cross truck full of supplies from Egypt to Syria and work as a ship's doctor on a small, crowded freighter in order to get home.

"We crossed on the Italian luxury liner Rex when I left for Beirut," he remembers, "and what a swell time we had aboard. There were no submarines to worry about as on the return trip. Everything was just perfect."

Upon his arrival in Egypt, he met some relatives of the family. "Those people in Egypt were about the only people at the time who sensed that war was coming. They thought I was crazy for leaving America but I moved on to Syria just the same," he continued.

During the summer of 1939, he used the vacation from school to come home for a visit and a rest but instead wound up in a hospital with an operation.

After the fall of France, the colonial administrators in Syria stayed on and held the country for the Vichy French. The food situation got very bad for awhile.

"During all this time, I had been applying to the English consuls for a visa to Egypt and the consul was continually refusing. Finally, one day in the summer of 1941, he suddenly became very generous. We knew that something was coming. If he was handing out visas, he must have been preparing to leave and if he was preparing to leave, it meant that the

British and the Free French were ready to invade," he said.

According to Joe, the people in Syria, including the Christian Arabs were in favor of the British and did as much as they could to support them but the Mohamedans were and still are neutral.

In connection with native support of the British in the Near East, Attie said, "Believe it or not, despite all that they've had to take from the Colonial Office, the Jews in Palestine are clamoring to be given a chance to fight alongside the English armies. I was in Jerusalem for awhile and I saw instances of Jewish employers firing able-bodied employees and telling them, 'You belong in the Army.' Of course, the Jews want an independent army but the British say no. Why? Well, look at India."

He was rather lucky, he says, when it came to avoiding dangerous spots on the globe.

"I left Syria just in time. Got out of Egypt just before the fall of Tobruk, arrived in India just when the rioting had subsided and left before it started again and docked in Ceylon just after the huge Jap air raid on that base had completely failed."

"I saw the wrecks of the Jap planes and from what I heard, the ack-ack that the British had put up was terrific. That was one time that the British were wide-awake and ready. It made one feel good," he added.

Attie is now a bit heavier than when he left, his shoulders are broader and he looks rather handsome. He's still not used to American newspapers.

"The papers are so thick here and there are so many articles to read that it's really a pleasure. Most papers I had been reading were one-sheet affairs and carried only dull, official communiques," he said.

AMERICAN WAR BONDS NOW? — OR
AXIS BONDS LATER

From Australia

V-Mail and letters written by the four boys from this community who are known to be in Australia reveal the following interesting bits of information.

Soldier Moe Esses is now a Sergeant. . . Corporal Charles Dweck, P. F. C. Joe Ashkenazic, Private Jack Franco and Esses have all met and write each other regularly. All are in fine health. . . Private Franco, in one of his letters, tells his sister Phyllis that he is proud of the Red Cross work that she's doing. . . Ash was "near Barney" (you can do your own guessing). . . and the July issue of the Victory Bulletin has just arrived "down under."

EVERY WAR BOND BURIES
A FASCIST

HAPPY NEW YEAR
MR. and MRS. JESSE DAYAN
LOUISVILLE, KY.

COMPLIMENTS
OF

EDDIE COHEN

BEST WISHES

FOR A

HAPPY NEW YEAR

JOSE A. ADES

NEW BEDFORD,

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FROM
S. R. DWECK
WASHINGTON, D. C.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
TO
THE BOYS IN SERVICE
ELIE LANIADO
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SYRIO-SYNCRASIES

By DON FREDERICO LANIADO

Ed. Note—The adventures of the beloved and immortal Jiheh are continued this month by his biographer, Don Frederico.

Jiheh the Salesman

It is reported that when Jiheh was a retail salesman, he was wont to poke his long nose into a customer's pocket-book whenever the latter claimed she had no more money. Unfortunately, one day, a customer clamped her hand on his prominent proboscis and poor Jiheh howled with pain.

It serves you right O'Jiheh for being such a "nosy"-body.

Jiheh and His Vacation

After struggling for ten years, Jiheh finally summoned enough courage to ask his boss for a vacation—with pay. The boss, scowling, asked,

"What did you do to deserve this vacation?"

"I work hard," Jiheh humbly replied.

"You work hard?", replied the boss, "Alright, so don't work hard!"

Jiheh did not get his vacation. Jiheh is now working in Connecticut.

Jiheh the Peddler

When Jiheh first came to America, he borrowed six of his brother's satchels and loaded them up with assorted merchandise. The "walking linen store," begging his customers in ten different languages and proclaiming the need of his sixteen children for food, pleaded with every customer but not one would buy.

Finally, in desperation and out of inspiration, he tapped one lady on the back and said, "Awright, lady, take these for nothing but wish me luck, wish me luck." And to his surprise, she bought two of his satchels.

And that children, is how the famous expression—"Wish me luck, lady"—originated.

ABE SHABOT
FORT BENNING, GA.

HAPPY
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JACK S. DWAKE
NEW HAVEN, CONN.

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NORFOLK, VA.

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SAM ADES
NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

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NEW YORK CITY

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YOUR TIN CANS