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GI Prisoner Back To Get '41 Yule Gift

A 1941 Christmas package addressed to "Sgt. Charles Quinn, 192nd tank battalion, Philippine islands," was opened yesterday by the sergeant—at 705 Osmond avenue, Dayton.

Sergeant Quinn visited his brother, Melvin, at the Osmond avenue address. The gift, mailed in November, 1941, was returned in June, 1942, and kept by the brother to await the sergeant's return.

After entering the Army in 1941 Sergeant Quinn, son of Mrs. Carrie Quinn, 311 Morton avenue, volunteered for overseas duty. He arrived in the Philippines in November, 1941, and was captured by the Japs at Corregidor in May, 1942.

Cigaretts Banned

Among the 511 men liberated from Cabanatuan in January, Sergeant Quinn arrived in San Francisco March 9. He then had his first steak dinner in three years with Robert Gardner, former Daytonian living in San Francisco.

"The Japs took the cigarettes sent to us through the Red Cross because they didn't like the victory slogans on the packages," he said. "Most of the time we used lily leaves for tobacco."

"Our tank company was on Bataan when the Japs bombed it and moved in. After the surrender it was every man for himself, and three of us managed to escape to Corregidor. Within two months the Japs were there, too."

"I was placed on a detail to collect scrap iron for the Japs. We were under enemy supervision and

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LIBERATED DAYTON GI OPENS 1941 GIFT

CONTENTS OF A 1941 Christmas package were examined by Sgt. Charles Quinn yesterday after his arrival home from a Jap prison camp in the Philippines. He is shown above with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Quinn, 185 Osmond avenue, who kept the gift after it was returned unopened. Much history has been written since the package started on its trip a month before the Japs' attack on Pearl Harbor. Quinn was among the first American soldiers liberated when the Yanks returned to the Philippines early this year.

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received some pretty rough treatment. Later we were taken from Corridor to build air strips at Nichols Field in Manila. All the clothing they gave us was a pair of ragged shoes, a straw hat and a pair of shorts. We were paid about 5 cents a day in worthless Japanese money. They fed us a diet of rice, dried fish and sweet potato vines.

Became ill

"I got beri-beri and was sent to Bilbid prison camp. My weight had dropped from a normal 160 pounds to 85. American doctors treated us in a makeshift hospital at Bilbid, using Red Cross supplies.

"They were sending most of the able bodied men from Bilbid to the Japanese mainland to work in factories. After six days, I was sent to Cabanatuan. I was lying in my bunk early one evening when I heard shots and the yelling of the Yank Rangers. It took only 22 minutes for all of us to evacuate the camp. We joined American forces, flew to Luzon and within a few days we were put aboard a ship headed for home.

Former G.O.P. Leader Visits Friends Here

Harrison Spangler, former Republican party national chairman, is scheduled to leave Dayton today after stopping off "to see a few Republican friends."

Spangler stopped here yesterday on the return from a business trip to the east. He will leave today for his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, after a brief stay as guest of Mrs. Katharine Kennedy Brown, Republican national committeewoman.

The Iowa has returned to his private law practice and retains the title of general counsel for the Republican national committee.

Spangler was pleased to learn that another Iowan, Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper, former governor of the state, will address Montgomery county Republicans next Tuesday night at the Miami hotel. He praised Hickenlooper as an outstanding senator and party leader.

Family Welfare Post Filled

Miss Evangeline Sheibley has been appointed executive director of the Family Welfare association, Rowan Greer, association president, announced yesterday.

Miss Sheibley is director of the consultation service of the Eloise institute, Detroit. She will assume her duties here July 15, succeeding Howard Slates, who resigned last year.

Miss Sheibley has directed the consultation service of the Eloise institute, a state institution for mental patients, for nine years. She graduated from Detroit university in 1929 and received a master's degree in psychology from Catholic university, Washington, D. C., in 1930. She also holds a master's degree in social work from Western Reserve university, Cleveland.

The new welfare association official was awarded a year's fellowship in psychiatric study at the Children's Center in Detroit. She has participated in numerous regional conferences on family integration and family service.

Miss Sheibley will resign her post in Detroit May 15, according to Rowan, and plans to attend a conference.

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