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Bob Dempster's been home on furlough again. How Bob wangles 'em we don't know but he sure manages to taste home-cooking. Bob looks swell but still thinks Texas is the end of the world.

And Pfc. Floyd Thomas came home last week - this time to stay. Tommie's sinus had him in and out of the hospital so much that the Army finally gave him a disability discharge. Tommie didn't like it at all - and still thinks he'd make a good soldier (with which we agree) - but who ever won an argument with the Army?

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Another boost for a Douglas officer: Lieut. Charles Dailey, formerly of the Coast Guard, is now Lt. Commander Dailey of the U.S. Maritime Service. A fine promotion, Chuck; and we're all delighted to hear of it. Incidentally, Charlie writes: "Tell all the boys 'Hello' for me - the best of luck - and I wish them all a speedy and safe return to the best little town in the U.S.A."

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Here's one of those letters that makes everyone of us proud of our boys in the Service. (It appeared in part in the Ganges News but it's certainly worth repeating). From Harold Bartholomew, with the Armored Field Artillery in North Africa, to his parents on US31: "Now that the campaign (for Tunisia) is over we have been given permission to say something about it. I completed a year overseas on Mother's Day. That time was spent in Ireland, England and Africa. We were a part of the invading force here and until now have been on the front most of the time. We have seen plenty of hell but we gave a lot more than we took. The Germans are certainly not supermen, as Hitler would have us believe. We saw the best they have, and when they filled the roads looking for a place where they could surrender, as they did in the final stages of the campaign, they did not look like supermen to me. We took part in about a dozen battles; the names are rather difficult but I can remember a few: Oran, Medjes-El-Bab, Ousseltia, Sbeitla, Kasserine, Sandauk, Si Bou Zid, Maknassy, Mateur and the final battle for Bizerte. Some of these places are cities, some just crossroads, but you may have read of a few of them. Soon we expect to go to a place where we can get some of the things that the folks back home think we have been enjoying; then I should have more time to write".

Six months now since we've published a roster of locations - so here it is as of August 1st - as far as we can learn from parents, wives, sweethearts and everybody from the village Priest to the village Constable:

M/Sgt. Cleo L. Arndt	England
Cpl. Fredrick S. Ash	Seattle, Washington
Pvt. Charles S. Ash	Camp Ellis, Illinois
T/5gr. Harold E. Bartholomew	North Africa
Pvt. Harold D. Beery	Atlanta, Georgia
W.O. Everett Bekken	New Caledonia
Pvt. Gerald Bekken	Camp Santa Anita, Calif.
Pfc. Eugene E. Bieler	Alaska
Pvt. Leighton O. Buck	Porto Rico
Lieut. Jack M. Campbell	Australia
W.O. Max E. Campbell	Shreveport, Louisiana
Pfc. Victor C. Culver Jr.	Peterson Field, Colorado
Lt. Comm. Charles Dailey	On the Great Lakes
Pvt. Robert J. Dempster	Waco Air Field, Texas
Sgt/T Gordon W. Durham	New Guinea
Pvt. Theodore A. Engel	Camp Wheeler, Georgia
Cpl/T Benny Fisch	Australia
Cpl. Arnold E. Garrelts	Miami Beach, Florida
Bruce W. Gates, F2/C	South Weymouth, Mass.
Cpl. William O. Goshorn	In transit East
Pvt. Stephen Hamlin	Camp Santa Anita, Calif.
Pvt. George L. Inman	Yuma, Arizona
Pfc. Loyal K. Jennings	Honolulu, Hawaii
Pvt. Milton A. Jennings	England
Av. Cadet Donald Kingsley	Santa Ana, California
Cpl. Orville W. Millar	Selfridge Field, Michigan
Stephen N. Millar Jr., CM2/C	Aleutian Islands
Pfc. Neil Miller	Australia
Pfc. Lewis P. Mueller	Augusta, Georgia
Robert J. Mueller, S1/C	At sea in the Atlantic
Pfc. Buren G. Osterberg	Camp Claiborne, Louisiana
Alfred L. Pshea, SF2/C	New London, Connecticut
S/Sgt. Matthew J. Sabo	Nashville, Tennessee
Cpl/T Clair E. Schultz	San Luis Obispo, Calif.
Cpl. Harold E. Scott	Marianna, Florida
Lawrence J. Shumaker, SF3/C	New Hebrides Islands
Leonard A. Shumaker, F1/C	Newfoundland
S/Sgt. Bud R. Standish	North Africa
Bertyl Swanson, CSK	Oahu, Hawaii
Sgt. Everard D. Thomas	Australia
Pvt. Walter D. Thomas	Camp Claiborne, Louisiana
Capt. William G. Tisdale	Springfield, Missouri
S/Sgt. Lawrence H. Welch	Camp Hale, Colorado
Lt. Comm. Armour Wiegert	Chicago, Illinois

And here are the locations of our "semi-Douglas" Service men, (former residents, part-time residents, etc.) who are known to most of you and who always want the news of you:

Edwin W. Cobb, CM3/C	Newfoundland
Sgt. Jackson C. Cobb Jr.	North Africa
Pvt. Daniel F. Fitzgerald	New Guinea
Capt. Frank S. Haven	North Africa
Cpl. Jack H. Powers	North Africa
Cpl. John J. Smith	Australia
Cpl/T Val R. Smith	England
Pvt. Charles W. Ten Have	Camp Robinson, Ark.
Pvt. Maurice J. Van Os	Camp Robinson, Ark.

And our one and only girl: Aux. Jane M. Foster, Washington, D.C. (And may we add; We were'nt too sold on the WACs until we saw Jane - on a recent visit to Douglas - but we're sold on 'em now).

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Word reached us recently that Capt. Bill Tisdale is back in the States - and is undergoing treatment for a recurrence of his old ailment, at O'Reilly General Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. This was most unwelcome news to old friends in Douglas - and we sure wish the Captain a complete recovery this time.

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At the Bingo party on July 20th (at the Douglas A.C.) the \$25.00 War Bond was won by the wife of a sailor from Navy Pier. Nobody had ever seen the lady before, because she and her husband had just dropped into town, had run into Father Nugent on the street, and had accepted his invitation to attend the party as his guests. Not a bad night for the Navy.

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This one has no Service angle - it's about a civilian: a fellow who went to a Jewish clothing store and bought himself a pair of pants. When he reached home and unwrapped his purchase he found a moth in it. Returning to the store he explained to the proprietor that he did'nt want the pants because he had found a moth in them. "Well", said the old fellow, "what did you expect for two-ninety-eight, a humming-bird?"

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This issue of The Dope has been mailed by a girl who is pulling for everyone of you - Iris Dailey.

So long,

H. S. K.