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Tele Industry Ready for Go-Ahead

Television will become far too big an industry and is too important to the American people to be held up for nebulous future developments when the present picture is as good as it is today and can give the American public so much in the way of pleasure and entertainment immediately, Larry E. Gubb, chairman of the board of directors of Philco, told the Cornell Club of Michigan, meeting in Detroit, in an address on radar, electronics, and television.

"The Federal Communications Commission is to be greatly commended on the vigorous stand they took to clear the way for television and give television to the public at an early date," Mr. Gubb said. "They held to this position, which is in the public in-

terest, in the face of opposition by certain broadcasting groups who wanted television delayed.

"The Commission has further provided for a continuation of television research in the higher frequencies and in color, which will assure that the television art will be continually and steadily advanced.

"It is my feeling that television, like any other industry, will develop faster and better when put to use, rather than held back in the laboratory. It will not be many years before practically every family in the United States will have a television receiver in their home just as they have a radio set today. I believe you will be surprised at the great speed with which television grows."

EDITORIAL

For the first time in nearly four years, as we enter the Thanksgiving Day season, there is peace throughout most of the world. Casualty lists which greeted us year after year and Thanksgiving Day after Thanksgiving Day—lists which caused us to be thankful only if someone we knew was not on them—no longer come through. They have been eliminated, we trust for all time. But has peace really come to stay? We definitely have won the war but will we win, can we preserve, the peace?

Politics and greed have caused most wars of the past and, unless rigid international controls are established, will cause war in the future. A World Court or League of Nations, or whatever the international con-

trol agency may be called, must be backed up by a powerful Army, Navy and Air Force. Military training for all young men would give the regular enlisted personnel an ever-changing group of young men to train in the latest methods of modern warfare. No nation or group of nations would ever dare attack us again knowing that we were armed with the latest fighting equipment, with millions of men in a reserve army fully trained in the science of modern warfare.

We must not, we dare not, allow another war to start. Whatever it takes in the line of preparedness, we must do, for if the curtain rises again on another world war, it will rise on the final act of the human drama.

Second Red Cross Award to Philco

Employees of Philco Corporation have received a Certificate of Appreciation for 1945 from the American Red Cross Blood Donor Service "for their outstanding co-operation and contribution of blood for the Armed Forces."

In answer to a call from the Blood Donor Service, the Company joined in the group plan whereby volunteer blood donors were scheduled to report at regular intervals in the offices of the Red Cross.

The Philadelphia center for blood donations was closed with the coming of V-J Day. The 1945 Certificate of Appreciation is the second award to the men and women of Philco.



Victory Bond Drive Backed to Help "FINISH THE JOB"



The men and women of Philco, who made such excellent showings in the seven War Bond Drives, are in the midst of the last—the Victory Loan Drive—as this issue goes to press.

Booths for the sale of bonds have been set up in the cafeterias and bond sellers are making sales and securing pledges to increase payroll deductions.

Meanwhile employees have responded generously to the annual

United War Chest Campaign. The appeal for funds is meeting with sympathetic support.

Solicitors for the Victory Loan have pointed out that, whereas in the past the bonds were purchased to help our Government meet the needs of war and to speed victory, the current drive is to bring men home from overseas and to provide for families of men who were killed while fighting.

December 8 is the closing date for the Victory Loan Drive. As in the previous drives, it is expected that the men and women of Philco will exceed the quota set for them.



Buy Them NOW!

LAYS CORNERSTONE—The cornerstone of the new building for the Philco Storage Battery Division is laid by John Ballantyne, President of the Company. M. W. Heinritz, Vice-President in charge of the Storage Battery Division, pointed out that the new manufacturing facilities, which will adjoin the present plant in Trenton, will provide 25% additional manufacturing space.

NEW PLANT PROGRESSES—Work on the new Philco radio-phonograph plant, to cover the entire block from Westmoreland to Ontario at C Street, is going ahead on scheduled time. A feature of the building will be the longest continuous radio production line in the world. The photograph was taken October 26.

SINGING STAR—**MARTHA TILTON** is a featured singer on the Philco "Radio Hall of Fame" program heard Sundays at 6 p.m. on a coast-to-coast broadcast.



WHY I BACK THE VICTORY LOAN

Some of Philco's returned servicemen were asked to give their reasons for being solidly behind the Victory Loan Drive. Their reasons—ranging from the obvious one, that the bonds are excellent investments, to the fact that the money raised will safeguard America's peace effort—are set forth on this page along with something about the men themselves who each saw war at first hand.

JOHN J. STOPYRA—Dept. 64—says: "Buying Victory Bonds will help bring the GI's home. Aside from everything else they are a wonderful investment, and buying them is an easy way to save money." Mr. Stopyra was a radar man 3/c between August, 1943, and the day of his discharge last month. He did convoy duty in the Atlantic and the Pacific. He participated in the operations around the Philippine Islands, in the occupation of Iwo Jima, and in the initial landings on Okinawa. Last March he qualified as a Shellback by crossing the equator on board the U.S.S. *O'Neill*. He is eligible for the Philippine liberation ribbon.

JOSEPH M. TRANSUE, JR.—Dept. 5851—says: "I'll continue to buy Government Bonds, not only for patriotic reasons, but because they are an excellent investment. During my more than three years of overseas duty I found that many other servicemen felt as I did—that bonds will help to make secure our financial future." Mr. Transue, who left the Company for the Armed Forces in May, 1941, served in Egypt, Tunisia, Lybia, Sicily and Italy. His unit received three Presidential citations and he has nine battle stars.

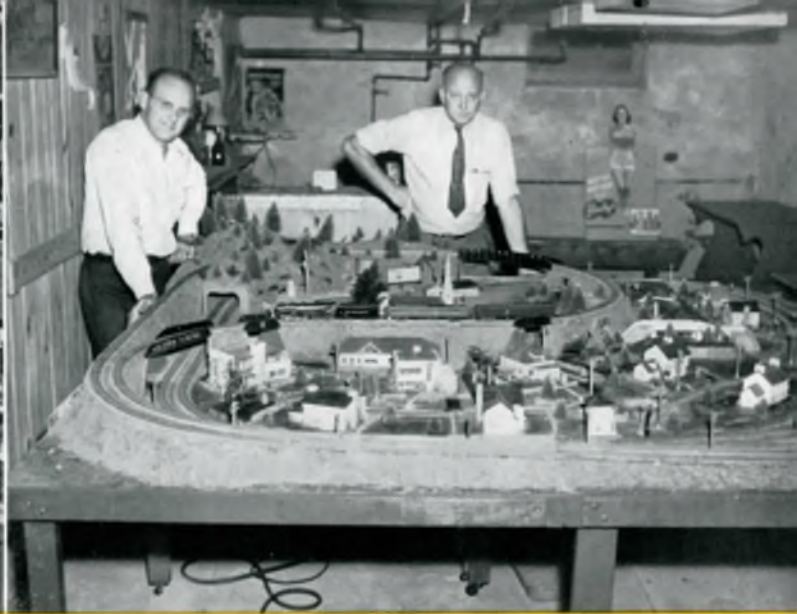
JOHN L. BUCKLEY—Dept. 5680—says: "During the war my job in the transport service was to move troops in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war. We brought back a great many wounded men who will need attention in the years to come. I urge the public to support the Victory Loan to take care of these men who were wounded in defense of their country." Mr. Buckley was a Gunner's Mate 2/c, and served from October, 1940, to October 8 of this year.

AUSTIN C. HEFELFINGER—Dept. 63—says: "In the Army we had war bond drives just as you were having at home. I bought bonds through the payroll savings plan and didn't miss the money. I plan to continue my payroll savings plan of bond buying now that I am back in civilian life. The money will come in handy in ten years and it is a nice feeling to know that you are saving for the future." Mr. Hefelfinger was in Department 63 before going into the air corps in March, 1942. He was a first lieutenant and served in Hawaii and the Northern Solomons. Later he was an instructor in the R. T. U. at Sarasota, Fla. Mr. Hefelfinger has the eight cluster Air Medal.

THEODORE WYATT—Maintenance—says: "War Bonds did much to equip and arm us to meet the enemy. Victory Bonds will do much to help us win the peace. Even though the fighting is over, there remains a lot to be done yet." Mr. Wyatt, who served with the 34th Infantry Division in Africa and Italy, wears the European Theater Ribbon and the Infantry Combat Award. He has a battle star.



WEAPON COLLECTOR—A Revolutionary War pistol and a present-day Colt are held by Frank Humphries, Philco safety engineer, seated amid his extensive collection of weapons. On the walls are some eighty-nine guns, swords, sabers, machettes, bayonets, daggers, bores and pistols. Many of the weapons are of interest historically. Beside Mr. Humphries is a Jap rifle sent him from Okinawa by his son, Pvt. Frank Humphries, Jr.



THEY BUILD MODEL HOUSES AND RAILROADS—William Harris, Dept. 74, and Albert Katz, Dept. 84, survey the miniature town and railroad they have built to scale in the play room at the home of Mr. Katz in Fox Chase Manor.

In the right foreground is a scale miniature duplicate of Mr. Katz's house, while the other houses shown are duplicates of the homes of friends and neighbors.

Philco's men and women have many interesting and useful hobbies for their after-work hours. Some enjoy wood carving, making ceramics, and other handicrafts; others have large collections of "things in general" or in some particular field.

Many of the hobby-riders are able to tell you when and why they became interested in their special avocation. Others started their hobbies without any specific plan in mind and their pastime "just grew."

There are some who began by enjoying hunting and are now raising

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sporting dogs. Others started a Victory Garden and found their attentions attracted by the growing of champion flowers or vegetables. The collecting of fine china, in some instances, was initiated by the inheritance of some choice heirloom. Naturalists seem to drift toward catching and mounting specimens of butterflies or accumulating birds' eggs. Interest in hobbies, whether it be in handicrafts, or collecting, need have no relation to work-

ing and may prove profitable or merely pleasurable.

Collections of antiques, miniatures and dolls prove to be most popular among members of the Philco family. China decorating, carving, and the making of jewelry are first in the handicraft interests.

The cameraman, scouting around Philco, photographed a few of the "hobbyists" and their collections shown on this page. While there are many others with hobbies, he selected these as typical examples of hobby-riding at Philco.

TROPICAL FISH COLLECTOR—Several of the 22 varieties of tropical fish he collects are examined by Sgt. Walter Bennetts, Plant Protection. In the tank are Blue Grammi, Scalari and Mollisia. Sgt. Bennetts says his real hobby is wood carving.

A BELL made in the United States is examined by Eileen Lion, Dept. 02, who has an extensive collection of bells from various countries. On the mantel of Miss Lion's home are bells from this country, India, China, Italy and other nations of the world.





Today the Philco Corporation, world's largest radio manufacturer and a leader in refrigeration, air conditioning, television and radar, is so diversified in its products and activities that it comes close to the ambitious objectives expressed by the founders of the business, more than fifty years ago.

Back in 1892, when a group of five Philadelphians organized the Helios Electric Company, parent of Philco, with the modest capital of \$10,200, they announced that their purpose was the "manufacturing and furnishing all articles, materials, apparatus, machinery, supplies and appliances relating to the use of electricity, steam, water, heat, power, natural or manufactured gas, or for any useful purpose."

In those days, even the words "radio," "refrigerator," "television" and "radar" were unknown. Just imagine the wide-eyed amazement of those original founders if they were able to take a tour through the 30 modern Philco plants, where during wartime huge quantities of aircraft radar, military radio and ordnance equipment have been manufactured . . . where peacetime production of refrigerators and radios is now being accelerated to meet America's pent-up demand . . . and where remarkable new television receivers are being designed to bring into your home a new dimension in entertainment.

Logically, Philco having long been a manufacturer of several types of storage batteries, entered the radio business in the early 20's as a supplier of storage batteries, the

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only source of power for the radio receivers of that day. Immediately Philco engineering began to make important contributions to public enjoyment of radio.

In 1928, Philco entered the field of manufacturing complete radio receiving sets. Its entire policy in building radio sets was to incorporate new features into the sets, and to produce quality receivers in huge quantity, operating on the comfortable premise that there is always room on top. That theory resulted in Philco winning leadership in a highly competitive market, through such practical innovations or famous Philco firsts as the first practical automobile radio in 1930. More than 4,000,000 of these sets have been made and sold. In 1933, Philco developed the first all-wave radio receiving sets without plug-in coils, bringing foreign reception to American listeners. In 1934 followed the Philco all-wave aerial. Nineteen thirty-five brought an automatic aerial selector and acoustic clarifiers for high-fidelity receivers. This made possible the first satisfactory push-button tuning systems.

In 1938 a dramatic and outstanding Philco first was wireless remote control of radio, the famous Mystery Control. That year also saw the first battery powered portable radio, a boon to the traveler and sportsman. Nineteen thirty-nine was distinguished by Philco's introduction of radio sets that needed no aerial or ground wires. These were the famous "plug in and play" sets embodying new principles, thanks to an entirely new radio circuit and built-in aerial system.

In 1940, Philco introduced the magical "Music on a beam of light," the remarkable photo electric phonograph which gave superior tone quality and lengthened record life about ten times. In 1941, the last peacetime year, Philco sold about 2,100,000 radio sets for \$46,700,000, leading the industry for the twelfth year in a row. Numerous surveys of public preference for radio receivers show that Philco tops all other companies by an average of 3 to 1.

Its success in creating new features and new values in radio gave Philco that invaluable "know how" which made its success in other fields automatic. In 1939, Philco

launched the first Philco refrigerator. In 1940—an entirely new kind of Philco refrigerator was created. In it was incorporated the now famous separate compartment for frozen foods. The success of the refrigerator may best be attested by the number sold in 1941—184,000 refrigerators for \$17,000,000. In its post-war plans, Philco has designed a completely new refrigerator and a new line of complementary appliances such as the Philco Freezer, made expressly for freezing and storing all kinds of food with maximum ease and economy.

Another facet of Philco's activities post-war will be the production and sale of single-room air-conditioning units, manufactured by York Company. Philco's strong sales and distribution organization pioneered sales in the Philco-York Air Conditioner, selling more than 40,000 before the war. New, post-war design promises the last word in air-conditioning units, bearing the Philco name.

Since 1928, Philco engineers have played a leading part in television. The first television station in Philadelphia was built in 1932 by Philco, and since 1941 this station, commercially licensed as WPTZ, has been in constant operation. It is one of nine commercially licensed stations in the United States. During the past 13 years Philco has broadcast more than 9,000 hours, including both studio and remote pickups.

In the field of television relays, Philco has done outstanding pioneering work. In October, 1941, Philco participated in the first successful television wireless relay link in the United States, joining New York and Philadelphia. In April, 1945, Philco inaugurated the first multiple relay television in the world, linking Philadelphia and Washington, pointing the way to nation-wide television services.

Technically, Philco led the entire industry in developing clear, sharp television pictures of 525 lines, the present industry standard. This development has been paralleled by the many improvements in television receivers. Notable in this is the "Plane-O-Scope," or flat face television tube which eliminates distortion of the previous bulbous-end tube. Philco engineers pioneered in using FM sound as a static-free tonal accompaniment for television transmission and reception.

At present, Philco research and design engineers are creating a new line of television receivers to incorporate many wartime electronic improvements developed in the Philco laboratories. These television receivers will soon be available to bring the joy of a new form of entertainment, education and news into the home . . . with clear, lifelike picture quality and glorious noise-free sound.

During the war, Philco research scientists and engineers played a leading part in the design and development of one of America's major secret weapons . . . aircraft radar. Actually, 48 different types of radar were designed in the Philco laboratories and built by mass production methods in the Philco plants. One of the most important of these was "Mickey," the famous Radar Bombsight that helped the Army Air Forces in destroying the Luftwaffe and Nazi industries.

Philco also developed and built other new types of aircraft radar used by the Navy and Army to track down and destroy Nazi U-boats and Japanese shipping.

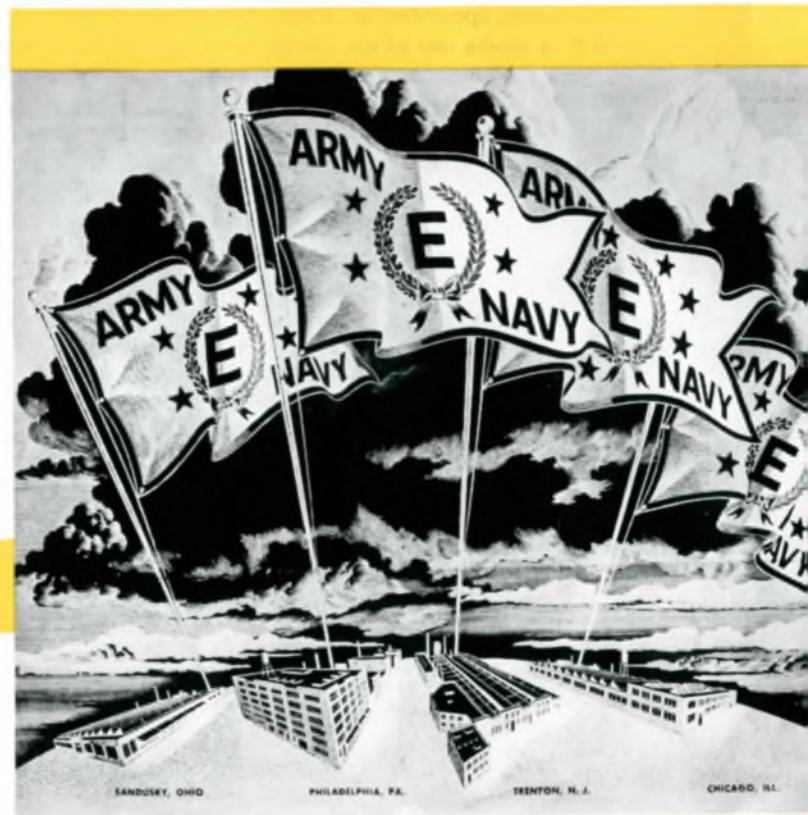
Another vital phase of Philco's war work was the development and production of ordnance material. With Army Ordnance engineers, Philco mechanical engineers helped to develop the rocket projectile for the famous "Bazooka." More than 30,000,000 ordnance items were manufactured in Philco plants for the Armed Forces, including fuses, high explosive shells, armor piercing shot, Bazooka rocket projectiles and other items.

Out of the vast Philco electronic and refrigeration laboratories . . . which developed so many complex and important new weapons during the war . . . are coming new and improved products for good living in a world at peace. New Philco refrigerators are already being manufactured, designed with special features to increase their convenience and economy. The housewife's problem of planning meals will be simplified, too, when she can reach into her new Philco Freezer for any of the frozen foods her family enjoys. New air conditioners will bring greater comfort in any weather for thousands of American homes.

In radio, Philco's record of 12 consecutive pre-war years as the industry's leader will be enhanced by the superlative new line of Philco Radios and Radio-Phonographs. Wartime electronic improvements will mean glorious new fidelity and purity of tone, more powerful performance and better reception of standard and short-wave broadcasts as well as FM. New features in the Philco Radio Phonographs will make it easier and more enjoyable to play your favorite record.

Soon Philco Television Receivers will bring a new world of entertainment into your home. Both console and table models will be available at moderate cost so that you can see and hear the great events in news, sports and the theater, as well as motion pictures and other features.

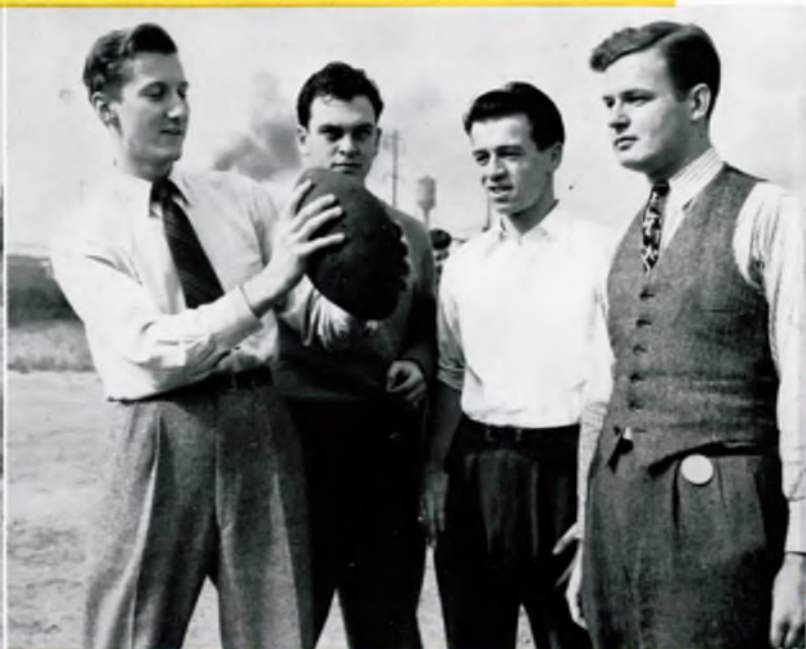
Peace will bring to the homes of millions of Americans a chance to enjoy many new products long denied them by war's drab necessities. Among these new products for good living, look for those bearing the name PHILCO—Famous for Quality the World Over.



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READY TO GO—A team from Engineering lines up for play under the watchful eyes of fans. Robert Edmonds holds the ball with Sigmund Sysko as right half; Frank Reed, fullback; and Leonard Wurst, left half. Spectators are (left to right): Elaine Roscioli, Florence Harmer, Dorothy Gallagher, Mary Elmdes, Lorraine Winzig, Catherine Hamly and Araze Terzian.



"TOUCH" FOOTBALL STARTS—How to make a forward pass is explained by Joe Hohos to teammates as the touch football season gets under way on Philco Field.

Teammates are (left to right): Bernie Lieberman, John Symons and Joseph Olsen. Three teams from Engineering play the game at lunch-time daily.



EXPLAINING A TECHNICALITY—Chen Hsi Liang tells Marie Schneider, Dept. 20, some of the fine points of radio receivers. Chen is at Philco in connection with the training program for Chinese technicians sponsored by the Foreign Economic Administration for the United States Government and the Chinese Supply Commission for the Republic of China. These technicians have been brought to this country for intensive on-the-job experience which will enable them, upon their return home, to assist in speeding up and expanding the capacity of China to produce much needed material. Chen, born in Foochow, now makes his home in Chungking, China. He is a graduate electrical engineer of Tsing Hua University, Peiping. He was formerly with the Ministry of Military Affairs in Chungking, and with the China Industrial Company.



WAITING FOR THE KICK-OFF VIA TELEVISION—Penn's ailing coach, George Munger, was not permitted to leave University Hospital for the Penn-Navy football game at Franklin Field, so he prepares to watch the game brought to him via Philco Television Station WPTZ, in co-operation with The Atlantic Refining Company. Coach Munger is well known at Philco, where he served in the Personnel Department. In addition to the telecast of the Penn-Navy football game, Philco's program included interviews with Vice Admiral John H. Towers, U.S.N., naval aviation pioneer, and Capt. Winfield Scott Cunningham, U.S.N., heroic leader of the Wake Island defenders, and other special Navy features, plus the first television appearance of President Harry S. Truman, speaking from New York.



ROSE F. PETIT

Philco's first woman employee to join the WAC—Rose F. Petit, Dept. 73—is one of the first seven WACs in the Philadelphia area to be released from service under the point system. Miss Petit, who has been assigned to Dept. 84, worked on radar and electronic equipment for the WACs in Philadelphia, Sault Ste. Marie and Drew Field, Fla.

Eastern Campaign Medal and two battle stars. While stationed in Germany Mr. Simons said he found there was no inducement to leave the camp since there is so little food in Germany the GI's carry their "C" rations along with them so they can be sure of eating.

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Another year in the Army has been signed for by **PVT. ALBERT W. WEAKLEY, JR.**, Dept. 27. He was en route from Ft. Riley, Kan., to Camp Pickett for reassignment when he stopped at Philco for a visit.

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A visit to friends in Purchasing was paid recently by **VERNON P. WILKINS, Y 1/c**, who has two battle stars for action with the Third Fleet in its strikes on the Jap homelands. Wilkins took part in the invasion of Okinawa. He is awaiting reassignment.

Returns From Overseas

The quantity and quality of food in America has greatly impressed **ALBERT J. SIMONS**, Dept. 80, just released from the Army. Mr. Simons, who was a first sergeant in the 288 Signal Company, Third Engineering Amphibious Brigade, until his release the last of October, has the American Campaign Medal, the Victory Ribbon of World War II, the European-African-Middle



BACK TO SCHOOL—Helen Barth, Dept. 66, leaves Philco after the day's job is done to go to night school to help advance her in her work. To the left of Miss Barth is Norma Gamble, Dept. O1.31, while back of her is Julia D'Amelia, Dept. 5851, and George Masurat, Dept. 46. These Philco-ites are enrolled under the Company school plan.



PLANNING CHRISTMAS PLAY—Frank Reed points out to Sam Lieberman (seated at desk) a change to be made in the script for "Laugh and the World Laughs With You," the third annual Christmas play to be put on by the Engineering Department. Members of the Production Committee are (left to right): Jack Pool, Al D'Onfrio, Mr. Reed, Michael Veasy, Robert Rossberg, Edward Levan, and Jane Kling.

A Columnist Tells a Story

For the following moving story we are indebted to a friend of this column, an Army officer stationed in Washington:

Dropping into the bar of a hotel in a New England city, an Army officer was saluted by a master sergeant of the United States Marine Corps.

"Pardon me, sir," the sergeant said, "I know it is not according to regulations, but would you join me in a glass of beer? I'm a stranger here and kinda lonesome."

Taking note of the four rows of ribbons on the Marine's chest, the Purple Heart, several valor awards, a series of South Pacific campaigns, the officer accepted the invitation. In the ensuing conversation, the officer learned that the Marine, having piled up four years' overseas duty, was on a

30-day furlough. The Marine, he learned, had a wife and a four-year-old daughter he had never seen.

When the officer asked the Marine if he was on his way home, tears came to the Marine's eyes.

Rapping the knuckles of both hands against his thighs, he said in an anguished voice:

"I can't, captain, sir. I can't go home to them with two cork legs, and I can only raise my left arm this high." He raised his left elbow to a 45-degree angle.

The officer studied him a moment. Then he said:

"Sergeant, although I'm in the Army, I have a high regard for the Marine Corps. I have many good friends there." Focusing on the decoration ribbons, he asked:

"The Marines have never been licked, have they?"

The lad came back with an indignant "no sir!"

Again the officer paused. "I'm sorry to say that you are the first yellow Marine I've ever met." The sergeant's face turned crimson, but the officer went on. "I can't understand it, young fellow. Those ribbons tell a story. You've been through a lot. You didn't run away, or you wouldn't be wearing those. You were banged up, but you did come through. Spend a long time in hospitals?"

"About a year, sir, and they tell me I'll have to go back for another year after my furlough ends."

"So, sergeant, after going through all of that, you haven't the nerve to go home to that wife and little girl of yours? She's been waiting to see her daddy for a long time."

The Marine squared his shoulders, stood up, saluted, and for the first time smiled.

"Thank you, sir. Thank you very much! Have you any idea when I can get the next bus for Jersey City?" He turned stiffly and slowly marched out into the night, his half-filled glass on the table. The officer left a few minutes later, his glass likewise unfinished.

As the officer left, the bartender stepped out, picked up both glasses, and broke them without comment. There was a gold star pinned on his apron.

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After three years of duty overseas, **PFC. JAMES LANEY**, Dept. 84, has returned to the United States and was a recent visitor to Philco. He was in the invasions of Africa and Europe and is entitled to wear seven battle stars.

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Experiences in Kunming, China, in the midst of guerrilla warfare, are related by **FRANK SANTIAGO**, RM 2/c, Dept. 87. Fighting continued for eleven days, two of which a battle raged around his hotel, Santiago says. His trip to Calcutta was delayed until the Chinese army surrounded the rebels and captured the ring-leaders of the revolt. Santiago writes that he is Stateside bound and has visited Chungking, Shanghai and Hau-Kou.

WITH THE GI'S AT HOME AND ABROAD

Ribbons for the Asiatic-Pacific theater, the Liberation of the Philippines and three battle stars and the Arrowhead were worn by **T/5 PETER S. O'CONNOR**, Dept. 80, when he called at Philco to see about returning to work for the Company. He resumed work in Dept. 80 on November 5. O'Connor, who was in Japan before returning to the States, served at Saipan, Tinian, the Marianas, Leyte, Okinawa and the Philippines.

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PAUL J. McDONOUGH, Coxswain, USNR, Dept. 64, is being discharged from the Navy after thirty-four months of duty. He enlisted in November, 1942.

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Four battle stars were worn by **DONALD CAVANAUGH**, Maint., before his recent release from the Armed Forces. Cavanaugh, who was in Assembly prior to entering the service in 1942, was a radio operator on a troop carrier which dropped paratroops in the invasion of North Africa, Sicily, Italy and Tunisian campaigns. Before returning to the States he was credited with 800 flying hours. He had ninety-one points when released from service.

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SAMUEL R. SCHOFIELD, a captain in the Air Corps until his recent release from the Armed Forces, has returned to work in Dept. 15, where he was employed until he entered the service in October, 1941. Schofield won six battle stars—for the air offense against Europe, Normandy, Northern France, the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central European campaigns. Schofield's fighter group received the Presidential Citation for its action at Mons, when American forces invaded Belgium. He served as adjutant of the famed Panzer Duster Squadron of the 368th Fighter Group.

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RICHARD ARWOOD has rejoined the Maintenance Dept. after being in the service since September, 1942. He has the European ribbon, three battle stars and the

Combat Medic badge. After thirteen months of working in the Army hospitals in England, Mr. Arwood was sent to France and to a front line infantry station hospital. He went with the 103rd Division into Germany and was in Austria when the European war ended. When V-J Day came, Mr. Arwood was on a furlough preparatory to being sent with the Fifth Division to the Pacific, but he had sufficient points for an honorable discharge and was released from military duty last month.

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Rescued when his ship was torpedoed on the way to Tokyo Bay, **WILLIAM OETTINGER** is back at work in Dept. 18. He saw service in both the European and Pacific theaters of war and has two bronze stars and the Purple Heart. The latter was awarded for wounds received in Okinawa.

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A card from **SGT. P. DeMASI**, Dept. 88, is postmarked West Point, N. Y.

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"I am on the U.S.S. P.C. 1192, as engineering officer, and am kept pretty busy," writes **ENS. ARTHUR M. LOWENTHAL**, Dept. 20. "The work is extremely interesting and instructive."

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"It looks as if I'll be up to see you soon," writes **SGT. F. R. McARDLE**, Serv. Sta. "I'm getting a forty-five-day furlough and I'll certainly drop around to see my friends at Philco."

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"I am interested in getting a job with Philco when I am discharged from the Navy—and that should be soon," says **JAMES W. WELLS**, WT 1/c, Dept. 64.

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"Our detachment will be flown home for discharge in November," writes **PFC. ARMIN FABER**, Dept. 14. "Thank everyone in the plant for sending us A-1 parts and sets to one of the worst tropical countries in the world—Panama," he continues.

"We are operating a radar station near Aqua Dulce on the Gulf of Parita. It's been a long, hard grind, but something to tell our children about in future years."

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A reunion of two Philco men was recently held in Karlsruhe, Germany, when **PFC. FRANCIS T. HENDERSON**, Serv., and **S/SGT. HARRY PORTER**, Dept. 64, met. Pvt. Henderson writes that Pvt. Porter joined his unit in July in a transfer of all men from another unit with 85 points. Both of the Philco men expect to leave Germany shortly for a staging area for shipment back to this country. Pvt. Henderson's unit has had thirty-one months' overseas duty and all of the men have more than enough points for discharge.

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"It is commendable that Philco has not forgotten, as many other people have, that the war is not over, and won't be over for a long time for the troops who must occupy Germany and Japan in order to win the object for which the war was really fought—the peace," writes **LT. JOHN A. SHADE**, Dept. 63, in thanking the Company for the Christmas box sent to the men and women in the service.

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"I hope, as all the other Philco employees in the service probably do, that I can return to the Company soon," **PVT. PHILIP A. KRATOWICZ**, Dept. 27, writes from Fort Sill, Okla.

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"I'm still stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., and shall be for a few months to come," writes **M. D. JARDEL**, MoM 2/c, Dept. 86.

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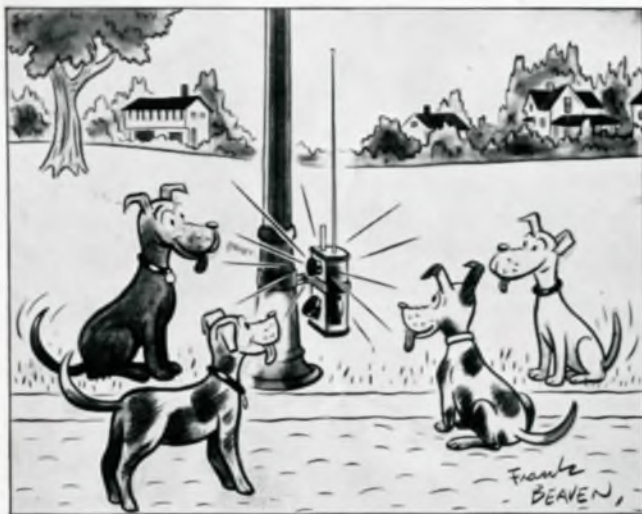


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