

## PERSONALS

**I T WILL be helpful if readers will send personal items concerning themselves and others to the Alumni Office. Great interest has been shown in these columns, but more information is required. Do not hesitate to send in facts about yourself, such as change of position or location, present job, technical accomplishments, etc. Please help.**

—Editor.

1922

BRIGADIER-GENERAL HAROLD R. HARRIS was elected vice-president and general manager of American Export Airlines, the name of which is to be legally changed to American Airlines Overseas. General Harris, formerly senior vice-president of Pan-American Grace Airways, has been serving as assistant chief of staff, Air Transport Command. General Harris holds 13 world flying records and was the first flyer in this country to receive the Caterpillar Club's Switlik trophy in saving his life by parachute in emergency.

HAROLD S. OGDEN was named chairman of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in the Erie section. Mr. Ogden's appointment was made in September.

1927

RALPH M. WATSON was recently appointed assistant to the vice-president in charge of engineering for the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corp. at Harrison, N. J.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER WILLIAM W. AULTMAN was, on last reports, in charge of a Seabee battalion on Iwo Jima and, after a short tour of duty in Japan, expected to be returned home to inactive duty.

1928

MAJOR ELLWOOD H. ROSS has returned to his home in Los Angeles after serving 19 months overseas in the European theater. When serving as Assistant G-4 of the Fifth Army, Major Ross was on the joint Army and Navy Planning Staff for the invasion of Italy. When his division was attached to the British Army, Major Ross held the position of American Town Major of Constantine. On his return to the States, he spent one year in the office of the Chief of Engineers, Washington, D. C.

MAJOR F. GUNNER GRAMATKY, with the Corps of Engineers, was returned to inactive status on October 9. His service activity included campaigns in New Guinea and the Philippines. In civilian life he has resumed his activity in engineering construction.

1929

RICHARD G. ROFELTY has been working for the past three years as project engineer for the Guy F. Atkinson Co., building Army bases. Mr. Rofelty spent a short vacation in southern California last month, then entrained for Portland, Ore., where he expects to locate.

DOCTOR PHILIP G. MURDOCH has accepted appointment as professor of chemical engineering at Texas Agriculture and Mechanical College. During the past 12 years Dr. Murdoch has been with the Shell Oil Co., mostly in the New York area.

1930

JACK PRITCHETT, on leave from the U. S. Army Engineers Board, visited the Institute while on a business trip to southern California late in October. Mr. Pritchett was on a mission to Europe for several months, mainly in Germany, to investigate the engine-generator sets used by the German Army.

ARTHUR NOMANN is in charge of the geophysical laboratory of the Superior Oil Co. in South Pasadena, Calif.

1931

COMMANDER PERRY M. BOOTHE, previously in charge of Pontoon Assembly Detachment No. 5, is now in Guam in charge of a large Seabees group.

LIEUTENANT BYRON JOHNSON is stationed at the Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Shelton, Wash.

ADAM T. ZAHORSKI announces the arrival of a son in October.

1932

MAJOR WILLIAM BERGREN, who formerly was assistant conductor and director of the Caltech concert orchestra, has just completed two weeks as guest conductor of the newly revived Manila Symphony Orchestra. Major Bergren, formerly a biologist at Caltech, is now stationed in Manila as the chief nutrition officer for the entire western Pacific area and is in charge of the area's food supply. He saw action in New Guinea and other Pacific battle areas.

EDWARD GRISWOLD has accepted a position with the Burklyn Co., Glendale, Calif.

1933

DAVID WEINSTEIN is in the geophysics department of the Superior Oil Co. at Houston, Tex.

JACK SPARLING is chief structural engineer for J. Gordon Trumbull, Inc., consulting engineers, of Cleveland, Ohio.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER PHILIP CRAIG is stationed in the Navy Office, Consolidated Aircraft Co., at San Diego, Calif.

LIEUTENANT ARTHUR MATHEWSON, JR., U.S.N.R., is an assembly and repair officer at the Alameda Air Station.

1934

WARRANT OFFICER (j.g.) DAN MATHEWSON is assistant plant clearance officer for disposition of air force surplus material at the Douglas Aircraft Co. at Long Beach, Calif.

ERNEST R. HOWARD, previously in the engineering department of The H. A. Wilson Co. at Newark, N. J., is now in charge of the Thermometal Sales Department of that firm.

1935

JOHN R. ROSSUM announces the arrival of John R. Rossum, Jr., on October 23.

1936

FRANCIS V. FRAZIER passed away at his home in Los Angeles on October 14. Mr. Frazier is survived by his wife, Betty; two sons, Francis and Richard; and his mother, Mrs. Helen E. Frazier.

THE REVEREND TYLER F. THOMPSON has been released from a Japanese prison camp, where he was interned since February, 1942. At last report, he was

still in Singapore but expects to return to the United States soon.

EDGAR W. OLSON and JACK JOHANNESSEN '38 have joined as a partnership in the electrical contracting business.

1938

CAPTAIN ARMAND DU FRESNE is spending terminal leave at his home in southern California and has been returned to reserve status. Captain Du Fresne would like to hear from others of the class of '38. His home address is 1936 Hanscom Drive, South Pasadena, Calif.

GARDNER WILSON has returned to southern California to establish residence.

WILLIAM BRENNER, employed by Westinghouse Electric Corp. at East Pittsburgh, visited his family in southern California late in September.

1939

JAMES S. GASSAWAY has accepted a position with North American Aircraft in Inglewood, Calif.

VOLNEY K. RASMUSSEN, JR., and Miss Janette Heald were married in Pasadena on September 28. Mr. Rasmussen is associated with one of the O. S. R. D. projects. The couple plans to reside in Pasadena.

J. EUGENE STONES is vacationing in southern California from Chickasha, Okla., where he is seismograph party chief for Superior Oil Co.

ALBERT P. GREEN, who is employed at the Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D. C., in Airborne Radio Division, made a brief business trip to southern California late in October for the purpose of making surveys of air fields for naval radio activities.

LIEUTENANT WILLARD M. SNYDER, U.S.N.R., has arrived home in California and is on terminal leave. Lieutenant Snyder served in the air evacuation and air transportation squadrons in the Guam, Saipan, and Okinawa areas.

1940

DOCTOR EDWARD R. VAN DRIEST announces the arrival of a son, Edward Reginald, Jr. Dr. Van Driest is assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

MAJOR GORDON B. WEIR, U.S.A.F., has returned to the States and is now on terminal leave at his home in Los Angeles. Major Weir served in the Mediterranean Theater for 31 months—Africa, Italy, and France—as base weather officer in the 15th Air Force and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

DOCTOR A. M. ZAREM is the father of a new daughter, Janet Ruth, born on August 16.

1941

DALE TURNER is a seismologist at Bakersfield, Calif.

WILLIAM CHAPIN has a position with the Fluor Corp. of Los Angeles. Bill was married the latter part of September and is living in Long Beach, Calif.

1942

LIEUTENANT CARTER HUNT, U.S.N.R., and Miss Shirley Rotermund were



united in marriage October 2 at the Post Chapel, Presidio of San Francisco. Lieutenant Hunt was stationed on the U. S. S. Fulton, a submarine tender.

PRIVATE MAYNARD STRADER describes the situation in Japan as he saw it on his arrival from Manila, September 13, as follows: "The one daylight B-29 raid of 600 planes did all the damage in this area. The industrial sections have been levelled to the ground, but most of the schools, office buildings, and stores were not damaged. Streets and bridges are in good condition and the street cars are running. The Japs are cleaning out the buildings which we are to occupy, for which they receive pay and a good lunch. So far there has been no trouble; these Japs are obedient and courteous; however, the Jap soldiers are not allowed in the city.

"In the downtown part of Tokyo are large, modern buildings, most of which are undamaged. There are wide streets, some of which look like the ones in Paris. The Imperial Palace grounds are across the street from the business section. The people seem to welcome the Americans and have had very little enthusiasm for the war, as it meant less food."

LIEUTENANT WARREN GILLETTE, U.S.N.R., having served in submarine service for 29 months, will be discharged within two months. Lieutenant Gillette was in both the Atlantic and Pacific areas, having seen action in the latter.

LIEUTENANT GEORGE MEYER, who has been in submarine service in the Pacific area, has returned to the States. He expected his discharge sometime in November.

1943

WARREN D. EATON has accepted a position with Rheem Manufacturing Co. of Pasadena.

ENSIGN ROBERT M. SHERWIN is stationed in the Pacific area in the boat group of an assault transport, awaiting transfer or demobilization. In 1943, Bob worked as a junior engineer in the general engineering department of Standard Oil of Calif.

LIEUTENANT (j.g.) EVERETT McCARTNEY was at the Institute last month while on leave. Lieutenant McCartney has been in the Pacific theater one year on the submarine U. S. S. Thornback and in the war zone about four months, during which time they participated in patrol off the coast of Japan.

LIEUTENANT (j.g.) HARRISON SIGWORTH was home on leave in October and was married to Miss Mary Sweningsen of Long Beach. Lieutenant Sigworth is assigned to submarine duty on the U. S. S. Loggerhead and served four months in the war zone, including Australia, Hong Kong, and the Java Sea.

1944

ENSIGN BRUNO PILORZ, stationed on the U. S. S. Entemedore, was home on leave recently.

ENSIGN TONY SPAULDING is a communications officer at Guam.

ENSIGN DOUGLAS G. DETHLEFSEN, who was commissioned last March at Columbia, left in October to join the amphibious forces overseas.

ENSIGN JAMES R. FREEMAN is a communications officer on the staff of the Zeilin, a transport, now in the Philippines.

ENSIGN PHILLIP ADAMS is with Amphibious Group No. 7, now in Korea.

ENSIGN FRANK CLENDENNEN is with a Seabees maintenance unit in New Caledonia.

ENSIGN DAVID ROUX JONES and Mrs. Jones announce the birth of their son, David Roux Jones, Jr., on September 1.

1945

ENSIGN JOHN L. STERN stopped at the Institute in October on his way to report to the Commander Service Force, Pacific Fleet, for assignment to duties with Seabees in the South Pacific area.

ENSIGNS CLIVE JACKSON and NORMAN MAGNESAN, having received commissions at Endicott, are on their way to the Pacific area.

D. B. SMITH, W. E. HELLER, R. V. SCHMOKER, R. J. SMITH, A. A. ERKEL, WILLIAM COOK, T. H. YOUNG, LIN BURZELL, DON KENDALL, DON TILLMAN, FRED BRIGGS, and JIM MASON were commissioned on November 8 at Fort Schuyler, N. Y.

C. A. BERGMAN and K. R. BURRELL are at Line Officers' School at Notre Dame.

Ex. '45

MILTON SWANSON, who is stationed at San Diego in amphibious training, visited the Institute last month.

Ex. '46

PFC. WILLIAM E. PALMER participated in the first triangular swimming meet ever staged involving three theaters of war, under the sponsorship of the Allied Sports Commission and held in Rome recently. Private Palmer serves in the 370th Medical Battalion of the 70th Infantry Division.

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