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The man with a grin
Will always win.

To our many friends and co-workers in the service, the Acme Shale Brick Co. Inc. and its employees are glad to send a word of praise for the wonderful job you are doing--hoping you will be returning soon to the beautiful shores of Lake Erie and home.

W. P. Wolrath
Louis F. Ahr
Paul J. Flavin
E. F. Odell and
The Whole Gang.

P. S. You have had action, excitement, but wait until you get home and attend that first Legion Convention.

H. F. Odell

WITH OUR BOYS

Well, we've got a whole caboodle of boys leaving us again. Ray Edell expects to leave for the service Jan. 29. Attaboy!

Ray McAllester, former student of Antioch College, has enlisted in the Navy. Ray is now stationed at Sampson. The kids gave him a farewell party at which they presented him with a fountain pen for a remembrance.

We were flabbergasted to hear that Bud Gaghagen has enlisted in the Merchant Marines.

In the same boat are Joe Pierson and Charlie Hansen, also in the Maritime service.

Jimmy Flick, one of our boys, has been reported missing in action. It's awful, but it has happened. Here's hoping we hear better news by our next issue.

Some of you may remember Harold Beam, son of Mr. Andrew Beam (Superintendent of schools). He is also missing in action. We have the satisfaction of knowing that these two have played important parts in the "Squeeze Play" so thoroughly applied to the Germans.

All set is Pvt. Leonard Bogdan who is at the N. Y. University at present and who writes, "It is good to be back in N.Y. state & see familiar N.Y. car license plates again."

Lennie has something at home which he knows about but hasn't seen. It's his diploma from the University of Buffalo for his efforts in college. On the face of the diploma is the inscription "Magna Cum Laude" meaning "With Great Praise."

To hear that Chick Malinewski received a Christmas present from Uncle Sam. He now wears two crew tracks on his sleeve (a Cpl.) Catch on?

Harry Staffehl is now an M.P. & is stationed at Camp Edwards Mass.

We know what a Jap rifle & bayonet looks like, thanks to Wally Fierle & Eddie Heil. From the popular point of view these Jap cigarettes smell out loud.

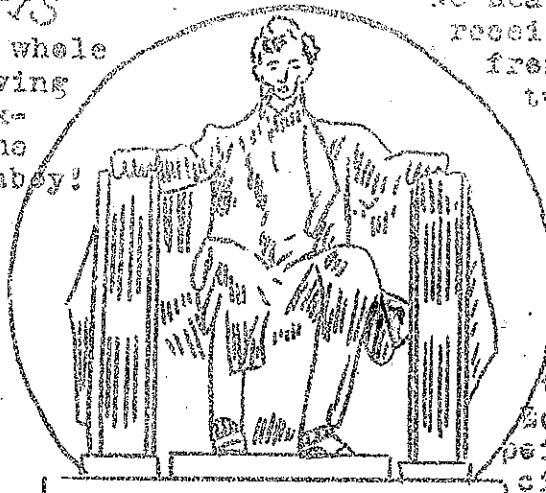
Guess who blew in on furlough this month? Gert Beckman, Mary J. Hubbard, & Leo Rubeck.

F/O Frank Kielar has been awarded the Air Medal at the 15th AAF P-38 Lightning Fighter Base in Italy. The young pilot flies his "Lightning" as a member of the top scoring fighter group in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, a unit credited with more than 550 aerial victories. Wonder if he ever made a Chinese Landing (One Wing Low).

P.F.C. Howard Gaghagen was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat against the enemy with Lt. Gen. Mark Clarke's 5th army in Italy. The handsome badge consists of a silver rifle set against a background of infantry blue, enclosed in a silver wreath. Very nice!

Bud Fierle wishes his Uncle Alvin could see the crude plumbing fixtures that they have over there in France.

Don Chilson's mother informed him over the telephone when he was at Atlantic City that Speed Burrows was in Texas. That was where Don was assigned to go but when he reached there he couldn't locate him at first, but when he walked out of a building one day he bumped right into him.



LINCOLN'S
BIRTHDAY

To the people of Lake View:

I want to thank you very much for all your thoughtfulness. Of all the gifts that I have received in my life, none could compare with this letter with the names of the people in L.V. Really it was swell of you people. Not even all the actors & actresses in all Hollywood could make me as happy as I was to see the autographed Christmas card. I want to thank you people again & remind you that I will do my best out here.

One of the boys, Frank Coniglio (Note)--And we would like to thank you people who were kind enough to sign your John Hancock's. We enjoyed visiting each home in town while collecting these autographs. Didn't realize there were so many families.

Co-Editors

Incidentally there is no editor. There are two of us known as the Co-Editors--Winnie and Rita.

Edward Mayer writes: I often thank God, our country, and especially those I know back home are spared the horrors of war "passing thru their places." Italy is in ruins thruout a good portion. People have little food, walk for miles---farther than from Hamburg to Lake View to obtain the leftovers we soldiers have, and the sight is not a pleasant one to see or hear.

Short letters were received from Charles Coniglio, Evelyn Ahr, Edward Smith, Bob Beckman, Mary Joan Hubbard, and Ralph Jewart. Your mimeographed sheet was very interesting Ralph. Thanks, everybody.

OVERHEARD IN PASSING

At least this winter has stopped old timers from constantly talking about the heavy snowfall of way-back-when. That's a lot of applesauce compared to what we are having. Our blizzard was so bad that we had no mail, no bus, no bread, no milk, no street lights, no traffic, no nothing, no men, AMEN.

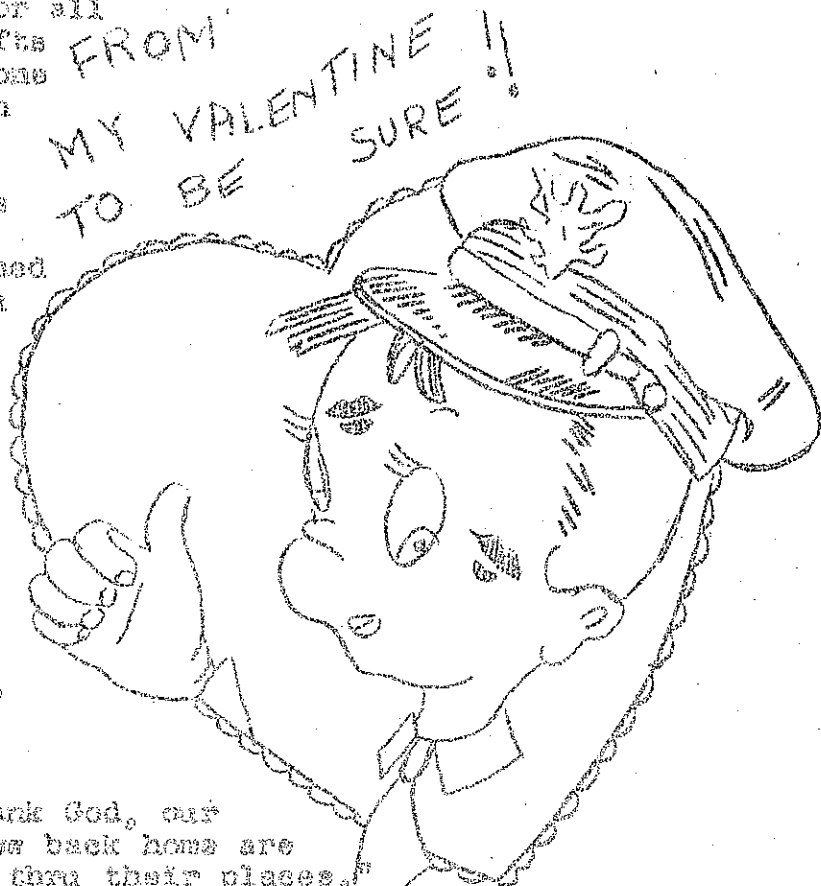
For a whole days it was like that & hardly anyone got to work. The wind shrieked about the corners of the houses and rattled the windows. Pure white snow covered all the hillside, hanging on the trees like fleecy blankets and as Frank Ebel said to Jack Heil while driving to work, "Its getting awful cold no wonder this is a healthy place. All the germs is froze.

Nothing so attractive in the country, as snow,

And nothing so mushy in Buffalo.

Lake View Citizen Beware! There is a panther at large. It almost tore the seat out of Peanuts DiCrio pants one morning on his way home from work. If it isn't a panther the cats must be getting awful big around here.

Sam Duff has moved into his new tavern better known as Spureks. Mr. & Mrs. Chilson and Mr. & Mrs. Brooks have opened a restaurant in Golden.



"One good thing about being in the hospital with appendicitis is you don't have to go to school," says Patsy Scaletta. Throw in the sponge, scapel, scissors----!!!!

And to Mrs. Mager & Mrs. Gohn hope you're feeling fine now. Both are just home from the hospital.

Grace Schiedel Potter received a beautiful bouquet of flowers from her husband,

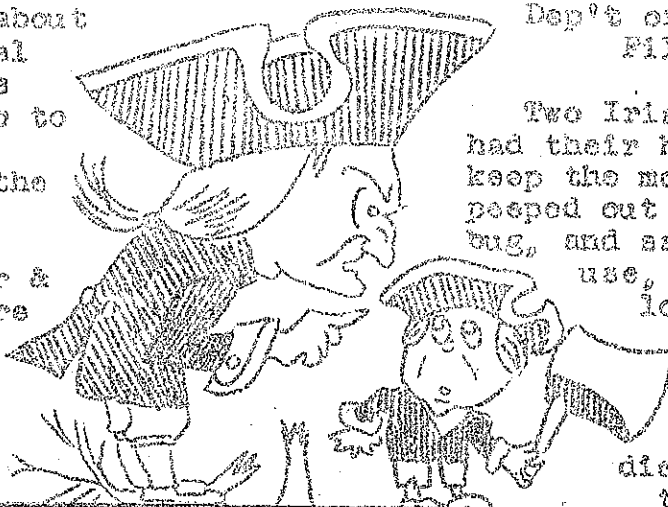
Jack on their first wedding anniversary. "Anniversaries may come and anniversaries may go-- but your happiness will go on forever.

Bob and Sis Ward have their new home almost completed. It is situated on the corner of Burke & North Creek. In the same spot where their old one burned down.

DOO-DADS; Alice Almendinger starting on a new job in Philadelphia, rest of family still here---The Herb Potters staying home from annual trip to Florida for first time in 5 years, man what a winter to pick---Kids ice skating on the road, a little rough but who cares-- Pinochle games in full progress--- Diesel engines only ones running during storm, lots of sleigh ride parties planned---everybodys going basketball happy.

"A fish never stops growing, at least not in the telling," We are beginning to find that out since ice fishing has opened.

Oh, what a blamed uncertain thing This pesky weather is;
It blew and snowed and then it thawed,
And now, by jing, it's friz.



Dep't of Utter Despair
File No. 13

Two Irishmen sleeping together had their heads covered up to keep the mosquitoes away. One peeped out and saw a lightning bug, and said, "Pat, there's no use, these mosquitoes are looking for us with a lantern.

A typical American is one that when he dies and goes to heaven the first thing he asks of St. Peter is, "What are the weekly payments on a golden harp?"

To Washington and his little axe,
A toast we now demand;
So let's admire, who tells the truth,
With a sharp axe in his hand.

"Don't look now," whispered the Berlin strategist to another, as they pored over the East and West Front situations, "but either way I think we're being followed."

DO YOU REMEMBER WAY BACK WHEN?
When daughter would hide her cigarettes so mother wouldn't know she smoked?
Now she hides them so her mother can't smoke them.
Could buy butter by the gallon crock for 8¢ a pound?
When the gas station attendant would ask casually---"Filler up, Sir?"

The tank in practice with its supposed contempt for all obstacles and all property in its route. "Nice wallpaper in that drawing room," says a driver casually to his gunner after driving through a bungalow.

From your old, tried and true friends--HAPPY BIRTHDAY--and as many of them as you can take. Take a lot.

Pvt. Edward Busha.....	Feb.	2
Cpt. John Kelleher.....	Feb.	7
P.F.C. Milton Grant.....	Feb.	8
T/4 Howard Haberman.....	Feb.	9
Ph. M. & /e Gertrude Beckman....	Feb.	16
Lt. Edward Mayer.....	Feb.	28

MAKE OUR GUNS LOUDER. SAVE FATS FOR POWDER.