



Johnny Rubasky, Viking Pitcher, Helps Win Game with Two Home Runs

Johnny Rubasky, Central Catholic school's mound ace, stole the yesterday as the Vikings downed High school, 5-4, on the

HONOR ROLL

Send Servicemen
Periodical was definitely for the men and women in the organization originated by Raymond C. Long is formulating the initiative

COPLAY ECHOES



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When Duty Called

We've laid aside our peaceful tasks,
We've packed our kits and gone to war,
We loved those things we left behind,
But loved our country even more.
And though we lie in some strange land,
Forgotten perhaps by all but God,
We rest in peace because we know
Transgressor's heels shall never grind
Our Country's flag into the dust.
We know because we made it so.

We love the murmur of the brook
That flows between the mountain slopes;
The golden moon that softly smiled
As if he shared our secret hopes
We loved the whisper of the rain
Upon the rooftops overhead;
The gleam of sun upon the snow.
We sacrificed these things we loved,
To keep our flag forever free.
We know because we made it so.

One American SERGEANT.

This poem was printed in "Stars and Stripes" with the following footnote:

"Above poem by American sergeant was found in his personal effects and forwarded to us by his commanding officer. A waist gunner with Flying Fortress crew, the sergeant was killed on April seventeenth while participating in a bombing raid."

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Dear Coplayites in the Service:

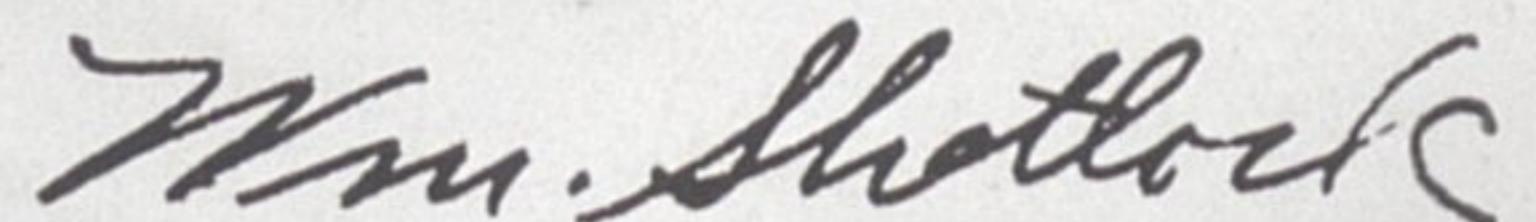
I feel honored to be asked to write to you in the second issue of "Coplay Echoes." In behalf of the boys, the girls, the teachers in our schools, and all the other Coplayites I want to say "Hello" to you.

You, we know, are busy on the war front; most of the folks at home are busy on the home front, trying to do their bit to help. Men and women are engaged in scrap collections and Red Cross activities. The boys and girls are participating in the collection of tin cans and the selling of bonds and stamps.

If we sometimes neglect to write to you, you can feel assured it is not a matter of the heart but of the head. In many cases the initiative in writing comes from you and should come from us. Sooner or later we hope to catch up. Rest assured we are thinking of you and hope to bring that assurance to you thru the "Coplay Echoes."

With the very best wishes from me and all of us,
I am,

Sincerely yours,



Wm. Shetlock

"Echoes From The Front"

U. S. Naval Radio Station,
Arlington, Virginia.
10 September, 1943

Coplay Echoes
Coplay, Pa.
To the Staff:

Congratulations on your first issue, which I received today. It's a wonderful idea, and it does the people of the old home town real credit. Be sure to keep me on the mailing list and many thanks.

Sincerely,
M. M. George,
Lieutenant, U. S. Navy.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Lt. George's letter was the first of an avalanche of missles expressing appreciation for the community's efforts.

Pope Field

Coplay Echoes:

The magazine was wonderful and the boys here enjoyed it, even if there was nothing in pertaining to them.

I'm looking forward to your next magazine, for no matter how sick and disgusted one feels, it brings smiles to your face to know that the people of Coplay are on the beam, and trying to make the boys happy in the service.

I'm still waiting for the day to go across, and the way things look it won't be long. Keep up the good work.

One of the boys,
"Al" Marks.

Dear Friends and Workers of "Coplay Echoes":

I have received your first issue of "Coplay Echoes," as of the 13th of September, 1943.

I've been receiving letters from the folks back home writing me of the success in which you people have accomplished.

I don't know how to express my feelings or thoughts towards this "Giff" as I would call it, but I can conscientiously say that it is one of the outstanding works ever brought upon us service men of Coplay. And I want to thank all of you for it.

An "Echoes" Follower,
Cpl. Franklin Reichl.

Staff Members of "Coplay Echoes":

Just a few lines to let you know I received your first issue of the "Coplay Echoes" and how well I think of that book, cannot be described in words.

I think it is simply wonderful and I appreciate all the time and labor every one of you put into it, to make it a success. As far as I am concerned, it was a great success. We like to know what the rest of the servicemen from our town are doing.

Another very interesting article is "What's Cooking." That really was good. I hope you can continue to print such an article in every issue. All those snapshots sure took me back home in spirit again.

If all communities in the good old United States have half of the morale that our people in Coplay have, we can't lose this war; and we aren't going to either.

If in any way I can help to make the "Coplay

Echoes" more of a success than it already is, don't hesitate to call on me as I will be only too glad to help.

I see it is almost time for "Taps," so I will close, once again thanking all of you, who in any way, helped to make the "Coplay Echoes" a success. I'll be waiting anxiously for the next issue.

Respectfully yours,
Pvt. Freddie Sommers.

Dear George:

I read in the local newspaper from home that the citizens of the town were going to put out a town paper for the boys in the service. That did sound just like the thing that would please anybody far from home. But what I really want to say is, that it did really impress me in more ways than one. For one thing, it had more in it than any person or fellow soldiers would think there would be in it. Such as news about the boys across seas. And too, news about the town. And last all the work, that had to be done in the spare time of all the persons that put the time upon, after their usual working hours. I am sure that all the other fellow servicemen, feel the same way about it.

I look forward to a lot of things from home such as mail and the like, but now it will be a pleasure to really see the "Coplay Echoes" in the mail call.

I showed it to most of the fellows in the barracks, and they really were impressed, that the people back home take us fellows into consideration. I bet a lot of suggestions like that will be going back to the other home towns.

I guess I could write a dozen pages in appreciation of the paper, but there are a few odds and ends to be done here at the hangar, so with really deep gratitude and appreciation I look forward to the next issue. A million thanks to the staff and co-workers.

Gratefully,
Gabriel Kovacs.

Camp Beale

Dear Friends:

I have just finished reading the first issue of the new "Coplay Echoes," which I received just a few days ago. Frankly I think it's one of the most interesting booklets ever published and to back up this statement I've had opinions from boys coming from all sections of the country. There is no doubt that these men wish they had something similar to "Coplay Echoes" from their localities.

In answer to suggestions in "A Note From Home," I would suggest local sports events and standings. I'm sure many of the boys and girls would be interested.

In closing I wish to thank each and every citizen who made possible the publication "Coplay Echoes," and by all means continue to publish this booklet.

Respectfully yours,
PFC Edward J. Hessinger.

EDITOR'S NOTE: You'll find some sports news in this issue and as we get around to it there will be more as you boys ask for it. Thanks, Eddie for such nice talk about "Echoes."

"What's Cooking"

By Helen Taniser

The pungent odor of burning leaves is in the air as we trip briskly about the town in search of a columnful of gossip.

Rumors are heard as we hit Cherry Street that *Johnny Sidor* is altar-bound with a little lady from up Egypt-way, *Mrs. Shirley Geist* treading a well worn path to the post office, *Frankie*, keep 'em coming — *Carl Eby* helping to keep 'em rolling down at Mack Motors and *Stella Toth* looking chic and charming in her blue denim overalls—as we move on up Maple Street we see *Emory Repert* busy as usual in his yard and *Charlie Kidling* still in the sink digging business, and now up Chestnut Street to "*Doc*" *William Fox* who's busy oiling his guns and exercising his dogs anxiously waiting for the first day of hunting season—"Gusty" *Hobel* working hard at building a man-size garage and scales while *Earl Lynn* kibitzes—"Butch" *Moyer* looking hale and hearty again after a little siege of it in early summer, and then we bump into *Ray Long* busy as ever on his job as Business Manager of "*Echoes*" and "*Sam*" *Hoanzl* cleaning up the last vestiges of his Victory Garden—while across the street we get a cheery hello from *Walter Morgan* with his ever present pipe in his mouth—we see *Bill* and *Tom Blose* and it brings back memories of the days they were headliners in vaudeville. It is here we get a pick-up on the fire truck from *Chief Kermit Kunkle* as he puts it through its paces and on down to "*Bob*" *Taniser's* store where we spend a few minutes kidding his cute little trick of a daughter *Roberta*; and *Harry*

Heckman meets us at the door, still the same old boy—*Jack Kunkle* getting ready for some more blasting operations and *Howard Peters* just pulling in from his semi-weekly trip to the barber shop—"Dick" *Brader* in his scrap collecting togs, with *Ronnie* his son the mascot of the Coplay Scrap Committee — "*Dan*" *Yellen* THE BURGESS has his usual number of complainees on his doorstep as we go by to watch *George Silfies* give his house a bath from top to bottom with his wife "*Hattie*" and councilman "*Henny*" *Battenfield* making up the cheering section — Across the street we meet "*Maggie*" *Frantz* busier than ever with her new job as President of the Coplay Mothers' Club of which we're sure you'll hear some more about and now as we decline invitations of *Amos Peters* and *Elmer Meckes* to step inside and share a cup of cheer we move on to greet *Raymond* "*Ribs*" *Ribakosky*, remember after World War I when he was pitching ace for Coplay? — *Jim Watkins* goes by now rushing some last minute floral deliveries — *Harvey Reinhard, Jr.* and *Sr.* the latter of course still the genial Boro secretary discussing *Warrant Officer Karl Reinhard's* acquisition of a horse over Australia way and *Basso Profundo Kutzler* comes along with news that *Charlie Jr.* may wind up at Lehigh University in a specialized training group—"Jake" *Ringer* getting ready to retire so he'll be in shape for the Dawn Patrol—"Bill" *Schaffer* who holds the money bag for "*Echoes*" informs us of another contribution from an organization—and

(Continued on page twenty)

Will You agree ?

If we should reach the crucial hour,
When all our might and all our power
Is aimed at an invasion thrust,
And you have failed to keep your trust
Of giving us the tanks and planes ...
Will you agree to take the blame?

Will you agree to meet the price
And pay for victory with your life?
Must we the fighters pay the cost
Of all the battles you have lost?
Or will you share in this our fight
And keep the lamp of Freedom bright?



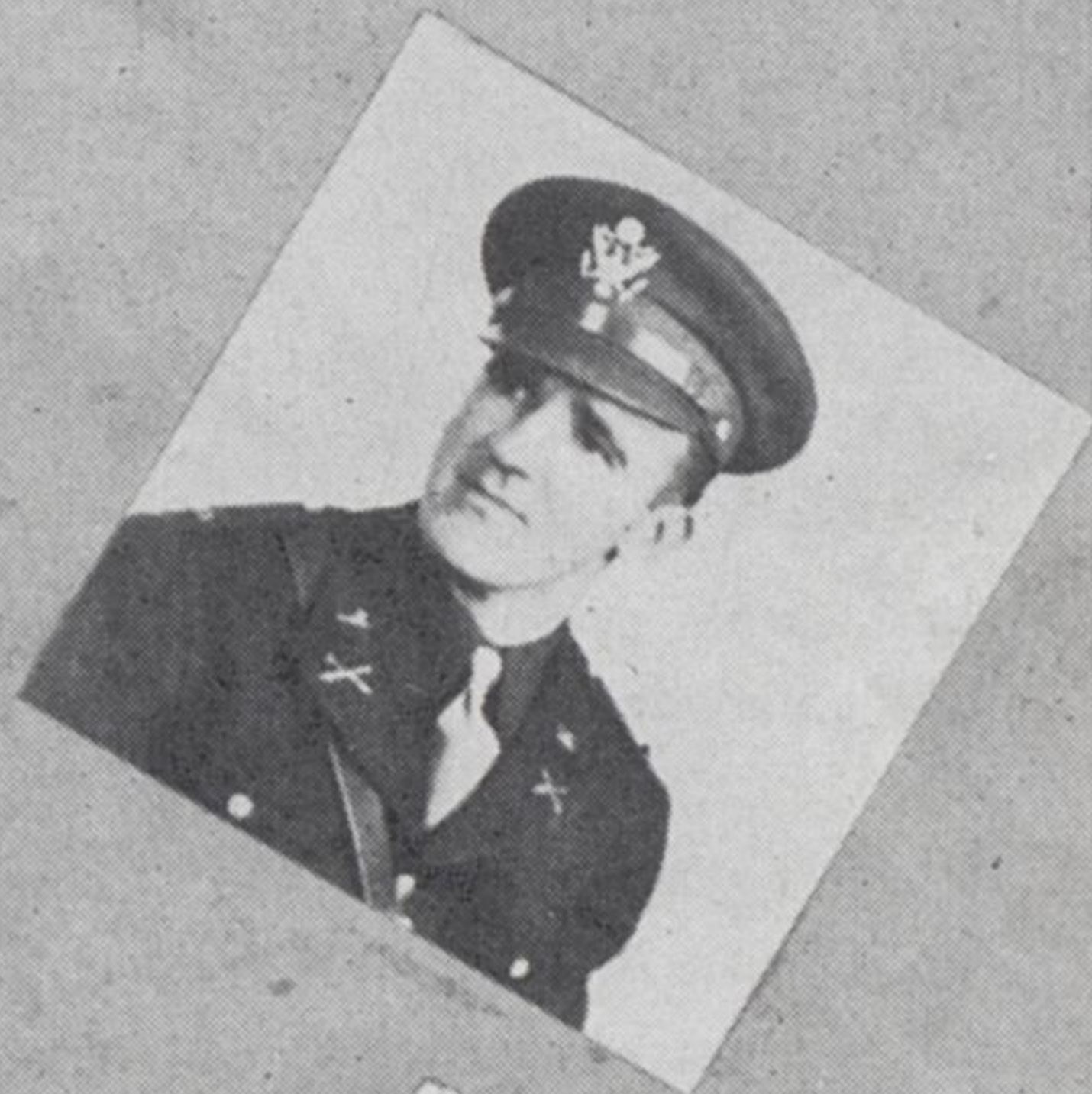
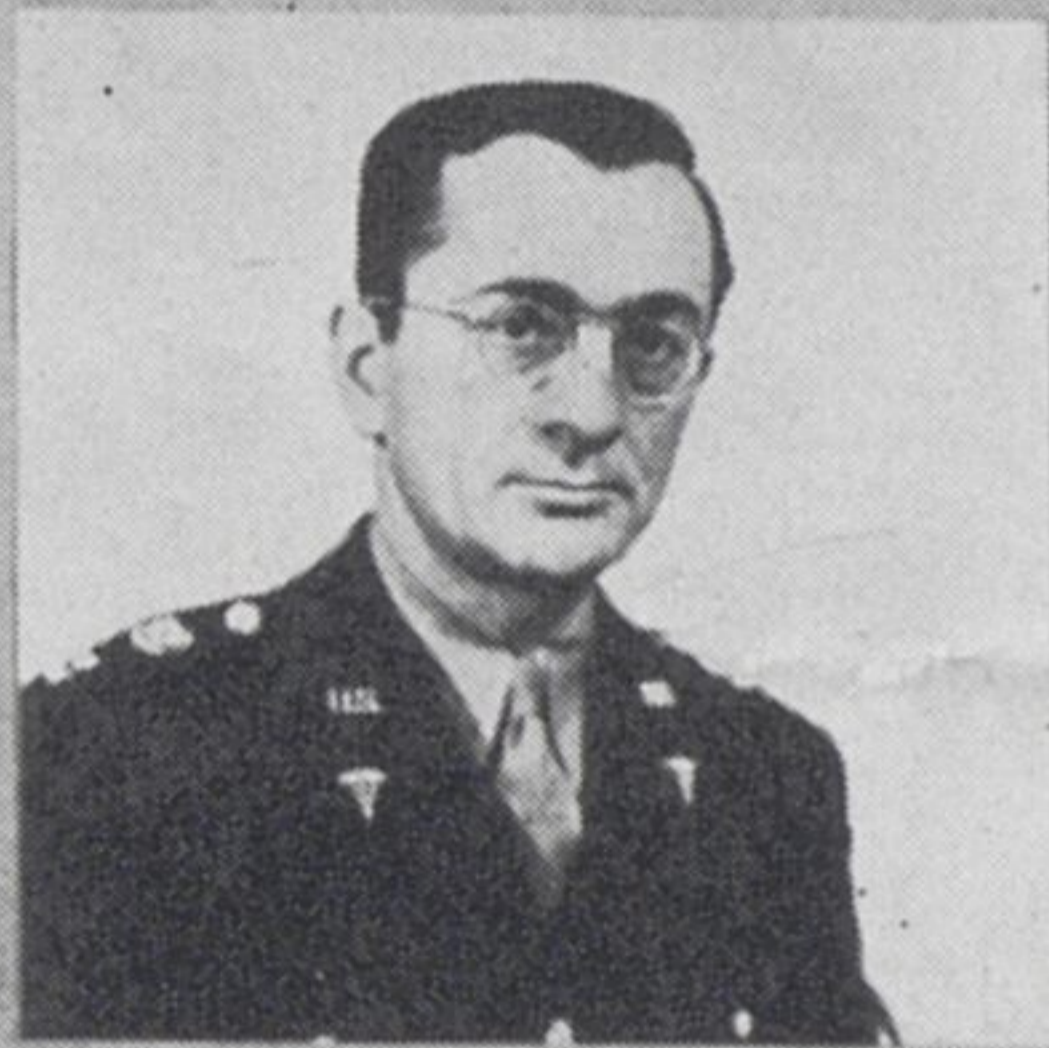
Koplay Kommentator

A quick review of happenings that hit the news during the last month bears out the old saying about "nothing exciting ever happens in Coplay." Among the events that might cause more than passing comment was the election covered elsewhere in this issue and then of course the first football games. In this connection, although Coplay didn't play as yet, Allentown High started out with a bang defeating Nesquehoning and Scranton Tech. by big scores. Muhlenberg took it on the chin by a surprisingly low score of 13 to 6 at Yale and were walloped by Villanova 35 to 12. Shenendoah beat Bethlehem and the Allentown High School Jay Vees beat Whitehall. Football in the colleges you know is much different this year with Navy and Marine trainees making up the bulk of the squads. It's nothing unusual to see Penn's star of last year playing for Princeton this season. So much for sports now as we go to articles in the "Coplay News" — — — **Anna Stumpp, R. N.** has accepted a position as school nurse in the Weisenberg, Upper Macungie and Lowhill Schools and **John Windish**, recently discharged from the Army has accepted a position as coach and physical instructor at Elizabethtown, Lancaster County. **Roy Stewart** has also been discharged from the Army as well as **Frank Deutsch**. Three new teachers joined the High School Faculty this year, one of them replacing a soldier, **Harry Hallman**, now at Fort Knox, Kentucky. **John "Jake" Kosits** and **Edgar Raber** both underwent similar operations at the Allentown Hospital recently. Both were for the removal of cysts. As we write this the Allentown Fair is in full swing with the auto section under the Grandstand taken up with an Ordnance Display. We were again saddened by news that the Navy Department has officially declared **Bugle-master 1st Class Joseph S. Tapler** "killed in action" as of August 10, 1943, a year and one day after he was "missing in action" after the battle of Savo Island. The community was shocked beyond measure when a telegram from the War Department announced that **Cpl. Louis Kovac** was killed in action in the South Pacific Area. Our only regret is that formality forbids us to say Hail and Farewell to them in our booklet as they were best known to us — — — "Tommie" and "Tailor." As we write we learn with profound regret of the death of **Robert "Bobbie" Trankley**, father of **Pvt. Edwin Trankley** and brother of **Cpl. Raymond Trankley** and **Lieut. (j.g.) Allen Trankley**.

Bars and Stripes

- 2nd Lt. Charles Rogers**
Engineers (Army)
Pacific Theater
Son of Mr. Jacob Rogers
16 South Second Street
- Ensign Elda M. Schreiber**
U. S. N. C. (Navy)
Daughter of Mrs. Helen Schreiber
110 South Third Street
- W. O. J. G. Karl R. Reinhard**
Medical Lab. (Army)
Pacific Theater
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reinhard
20 South Front Street
- Chaplain Francis P. Adams**
(Navy)
St. Peter's Church
Fifth and Coplay Streets
- Capt. James Weres, M.D.**
Medical Corps
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Weres
Alpha, New Jersey
- 2nd Lt. Frank Toth, Jr.**
Field Artillery (Army)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toth
134 Cherry Street
- 1st Lt. Daniel A. Schreiber**
Infantry (Army)
Son of Mrs. Helen Schreiber
110 South Third Street
- Capt. James D. Heller, M.D.**
Medical Corps (Army)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heller
South Allentown, Pa.
- Lt. (j.g.) Allan Trankley**
(Navy)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Trankley
33 South Second Street
- Warrant Officer Donald M. Rinker**
Intelligence (Navy)
Son of Mr. Harry Rinker
Front Street
- Capt. Charles Johnston, M.D.**
Medical Corps (Army)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston
Front Street
- 2nd Lt. John M. Marth**
(Army)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Marth
148 South Fourth Street
- 2nd Lt. Frank Klucharich**
Pilot (Army)
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Klucharich
10 North Front Street

Watch for a story on Coplay's "oldest" sailor next month—the only officer missing from this lineup—Lt. (j.g.) Myron M. George.





Coplay Among Nation's Leaders In Scrap Drive

That Coplay's sleeves are rolled up has been well evidenced by the Salvage Committee since they first organized on March 12, 1942. Beginning their drive with a modest goal of 5 tons the committee wound up 1942 with over 115 tons of iron, steel, tin, paper, rags and tin cans and over \$1,200 turned over to the Coplay Defense Council.

Holidays, Sundays and evenings after their regular work were the favorite "working days" of the scrappers. The entire town caught the spirit of the tireless drive of this committee and as a result Coplay now leads the nation in communities its size for non-industrial Scrap Collection.

Beginning with January 1, 1943 the Committee established its own treasury and in early June purchased a 4-ton truck, licensed it and had it fully insured from the proceeds of its collections. Tonnage this year which of course will include the "old iron bridge" salvaged by a private dealer through the cooperation of town Council

and the Defense Council bids fair to excel last years record by many tons.

Among the projects already completed by the committee are an old iron bridge long abandoned as well as strips of abandoned rail sidings. The above pictures show the "gang" on the job in a desolate 150 ft. deep quarry hauling tons of "bundles for Berlin" with a power winch. A large number of men and women from town have helped at one time or another in collecting Coplay's gigantic pile of scrap and three of the number are being recommended for awards for over 500 hours of service in the year and a half of the "Scrappers" existence; they are Stanley Peters, Sr., "Jack" Gleason and Henry Battenfield. The general chairman of the committee is George J. Miller, the treasurer is Stanley Peters and the following are section heads: Heavy Iron and Steel, John P. Gleason; Paper and Rags, Henry Battenfield; and Tin Cans, Richard Brader. The tin can collection has now been taken up by the Coplay schools with equally successful results.

GRACE SILFIES

The Coplay Committee is unique in that it has a mascot in the person of "Ronnie" Brader, 4 years old, who has an enviable record of hours of service. His dad and grandpa are also very active.

Ransacking The Mail Bag

Wading thru more fan mail than Coplay has seen for awhile is great sport. Realizing how difficult it would be to publish every letter we receive we're sitting down to give you quick glances at these most welcome notes.

As far back as July 14 we received a note from JOE BELLUCK AT CAMP LEE: "I receive the Morning Call every day and I notice you are going to prepare a newsletter for the boys in the Armed Services (I'm enclosing the clipping). I would very much like to receive this letter and know what's doing back home.." It's all yours Joe how do you like it?

CPL. JOSEPH J. MATIS, FORT LEWIS, WASH.: "Echoes brings us all a lot closer to home. Keep up the good work." We'll do our best Joe and hope we'll be seeing you soon.

PFC WILLIAM MONDSCHNEIN, SEYMOUR JOHNSON FIELD, NORTH CAROLINA: "It was indeed a great pleasure to receive a copy of 'Coplay Echoes.' It made me feel very happy to see what the town folks are doing to help build up the morale of their boys who are now in the service of their country. It brings back memories of home and lets you know what your buddies are doing." We hope you and your buddies will be all together back here soon Bill.

BOSN. DONALD RINKER, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.: "With a great deal of pride I showed 'Coplay Echoes' to various shipmates and friends in the San Diego area and pointed out what a marvelous job the people of Coplay are doing. Congratulations on the founding of a 'big' little magazine from my home town." Coming from an old navy man like "Queen" those words mean a lot. Write again soon "Queen" and tell us all about yourself.

CPL. KENNETH P. SCHEIRER, CAMP McCOY, WIS.: "I sure was surprised when I got my copy of 'Coplay Echoes' and happy to know that I am to receive one every month; give my regards to all who helped put it across." Thanks "Kenny," we hope you won't get many issues (this will last only 'til the war's over.)

RICHARD D. ABERNATHY F I/c, RICHMOND, CA.: "'Coplay Echoes' sure is good reading. The cover alone brought back to mind many happy days and incidents at home. By looking at the honor roll

I can see you have quite a job on your hands." Our job is small compared to yours big boy. Drop us a line again some time.

PVT. JOS. WALAKOVITS, FORT BENNING, GEORGIA.: "I hope we can soon be together again. I want to thank you for your fine book. I appreciate it very much and know the rest of the boys like it as much as I do." Glad you like it Joe and hope the ensuing issues will improve with age.

CPL. RAY REPERT, GOWEN FIELD, BOISE, IDAHO: "Thanks a million for sending me 'Echoes,' I appreciate it, especially in a place like this, out in the desert with nothing but sage brush and mountain staring you in the face." Keep your chin up Ray you may soon be eating cement dust again.

FORREST FRANTZ, a/s MILLSAPS COLLEGE, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI: "'Echoes' certainly does help to bring that 'little spot' of Coplay to wherever a fellow may be. If I can appreciate 'Echoes' that much, certainly the fellows at far outposts of the world must consider it a present from heaven." And via his mother we get another message from Seaman Frantz: "Please see that 'Coplay Echoes' gets two bucks of my money if they are taking up contributions for the paper; it's a darn good community project." Well, we accept your donation reluctantly "Woody," we're out to send YOU something and you've turned the tables. Your kind words are enough for us.

1st SGT. RAYMOND ROGERS, HIL MIL RES. VA.: "'Echoes' is certainly a wonderful magazine, it's got a little bit of everything and just about the best thing Coplay has done for her boys. My thanks to all who made it a success." Thanks "Peg," coming from a man with over 20 years service behind him we know it's "qualified talk."

SGT. C. SNYDER, MARINE BARRACKS, QUANTICO, VA.: "I think 'Echoes' beats all newspapers because it contains all news from the home town and that's what a fellow wants and needs." We'll try to give it to you Sergeant.

Whew, what a job, but to us who work on "Echoes" it's like counting through your pay envelopes. We could receive no greater recompense for our efforts than these enthusiastic comments from the boys for whom the booklet was intended. Same on those who criticize it at home.



HERO'S



Abernathy, Richard D.
Adams, Francis P.
Arthur, Helen

Bair, Wilfred
Balliet, Carl
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Beltz, Raymond
Bennett, Norbert E.
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Lewis, Gerald
Liebezeit, Rupert
Lilly, Allen L.
Lindenmuth, Samuel
Long, Carson
Lorenz, Frank
Lorenz, John
Luizer, John

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Luizer, Joseph
*Lutes, Glen

Magazzu, Andrew
Marek, Vincent
Marek, William
Marinkovits, Edward
Marx, Alfred
Marx, Rudolph J.
Marth, Frank
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Martincek, Stephen
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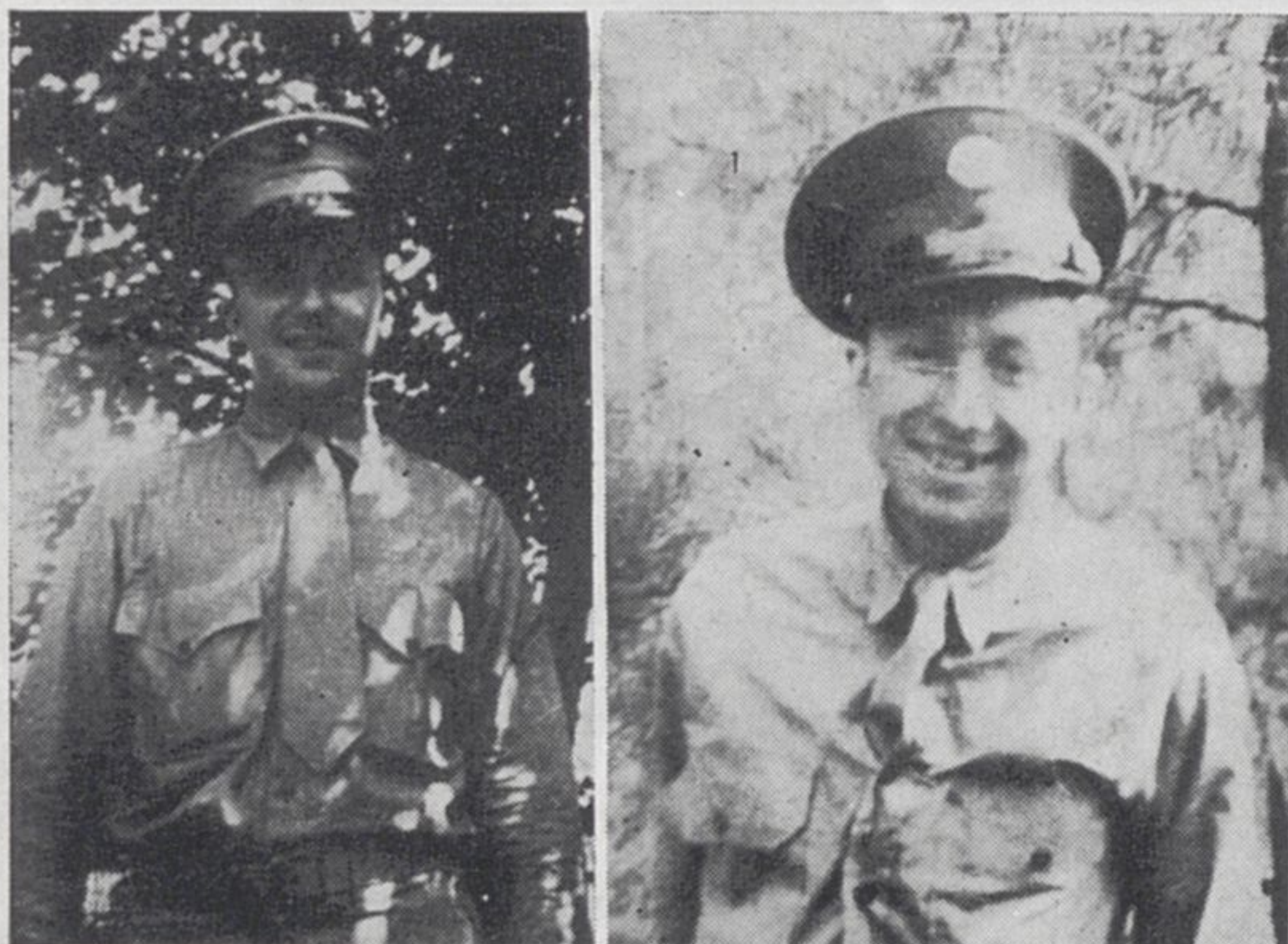
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MOHR and MORE!

We hope the Mohr brothers are not gunning for us as a result of an inexcusable mistake in our last issue in which we used Ralph's picture and Harold's name.

To attempt to correct such an error left us in an ever thickening dilemma—What should we do? In desperation we have done the only thing we could to be sure friends would not yell "H'ya Harold" to Ralph and vice versa. In spite of it all Harold and Ralph are doing nicely, thank you; Ralph (left, in above picture) is with the Marines at Quantico, Va. and Harold is with the 7th Evacuation Hospital group c/o P. M. San Francisco.

AN INVITATION

All and sundry are cordially invited to drop into the office of "Coplay Echoes" any Monday, Wednesday or Friday night.

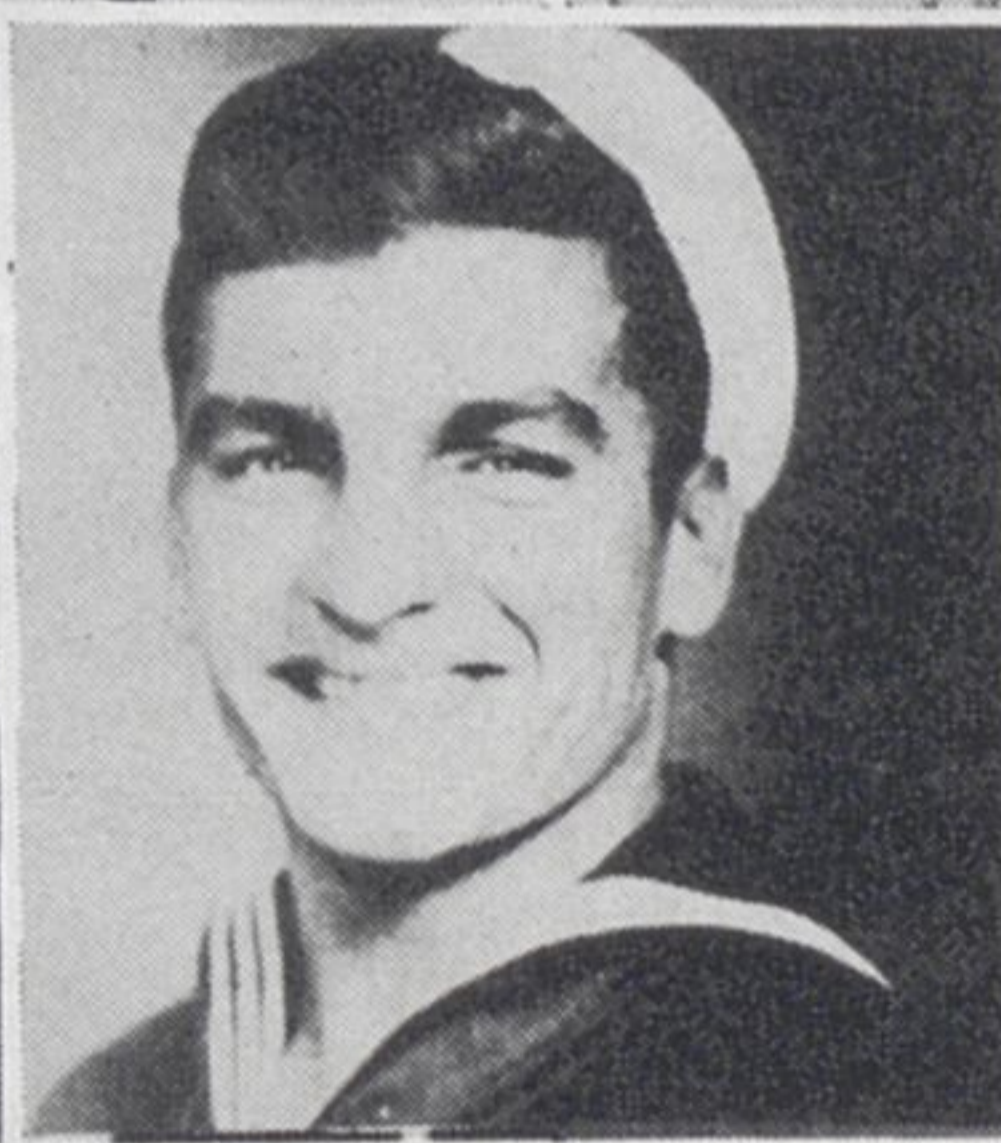
Through the courtesy of Charles Ven Der Weghe, Charles Van Der Weghe, Jr., and Henry Zellman we have been equipped with desks, tables and a storage cabinet, badly needed to conduct the business of what appears to be a going concern.

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"Right Face"

Left to right (top to bottom):

- S/Sgt. Julius Kail** (Army)
Anti Air-Craft
European Theater
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Kail
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Armored Force Division
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Discharged
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Son of Mr. John Solderitch
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Engineer
Son of Mrs. Frank Bogary
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Infantry
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Infantry
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Son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Keller
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Military Police
Son of Mrs. Daisey Reppert
49 South Second Street





Coplay's Number 1 Mother

Three blue stars and one gold, a son-in-law in the Marines and a daughter working in the ship-yards is the record of Mrs. Mary Kovacs, Chestnut Street.

A widow for the past eighteen years, Mrs. Kovacs raised a fine family of boys and girls to be proud of. One by one she has seen her boys and girls leave to serve the country of

her adoption and of their birth and finally there came the telegram "We regret to inform you — — ." The boy who had been the father to the rest of the family had given the last full measure of devotion to protect his loved ones.

Our hearts go out to her in her bereavement and our hats are off to one who has given *more than her share*.



Cpl. Louis Kovacs

Infantry
Inducted March 3, 1942

Killed in Action
South Pacific Theater (Guadalcanal)
August 15, 1943

Son of
Mrs. Mary Kovacs
Chestnut Street



Oops, We're Sorry

In our clumsy rush to meet the deadlines for September issue "Coplay Echoes" suffered from numerous errors of both commission and omission. Technical difficulties beyond the control of the staff also beset us and for all this the best we can do is say "So Sorry" and promise we'll "do better next time."

The Editor.



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Thanks folks we know our boys will appreciate your aid in making this project a success.



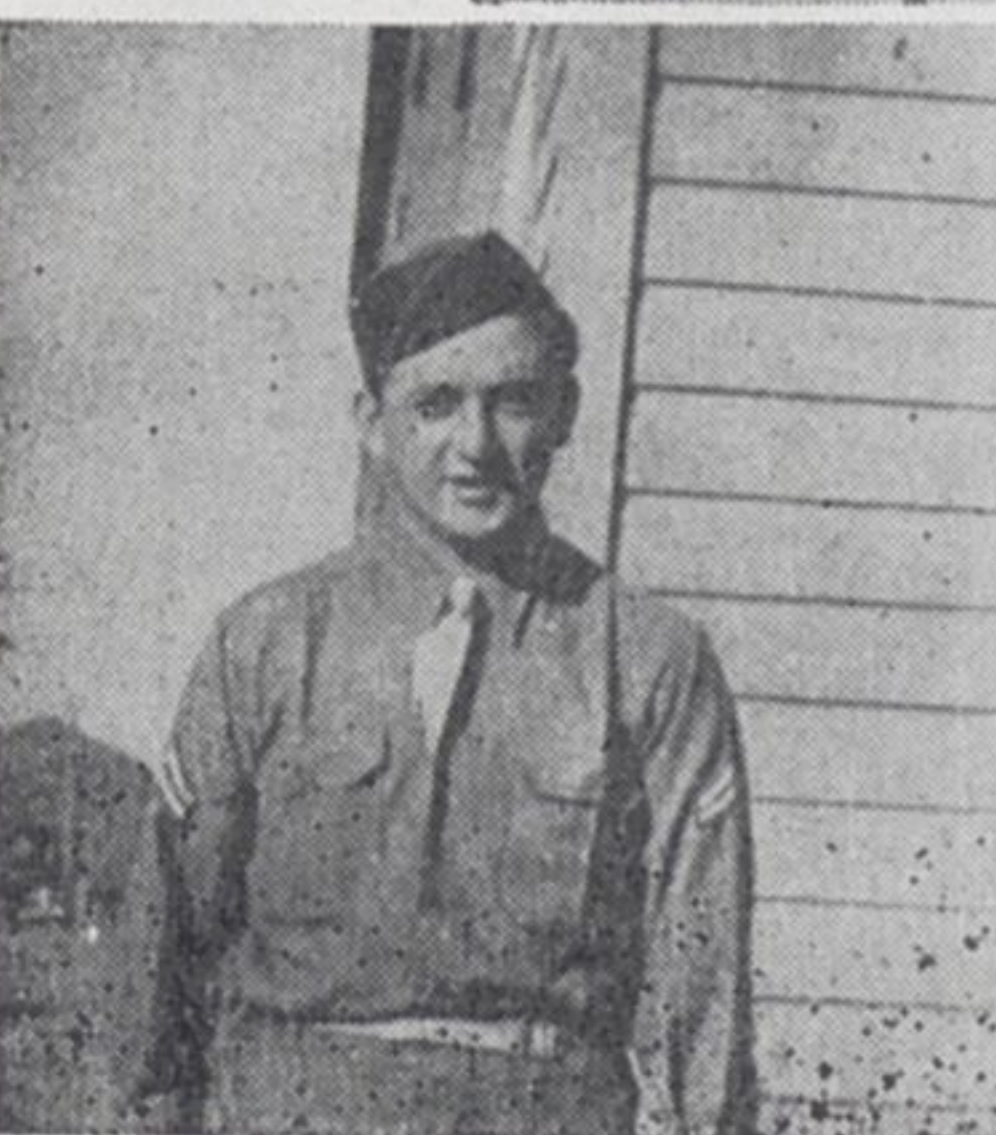
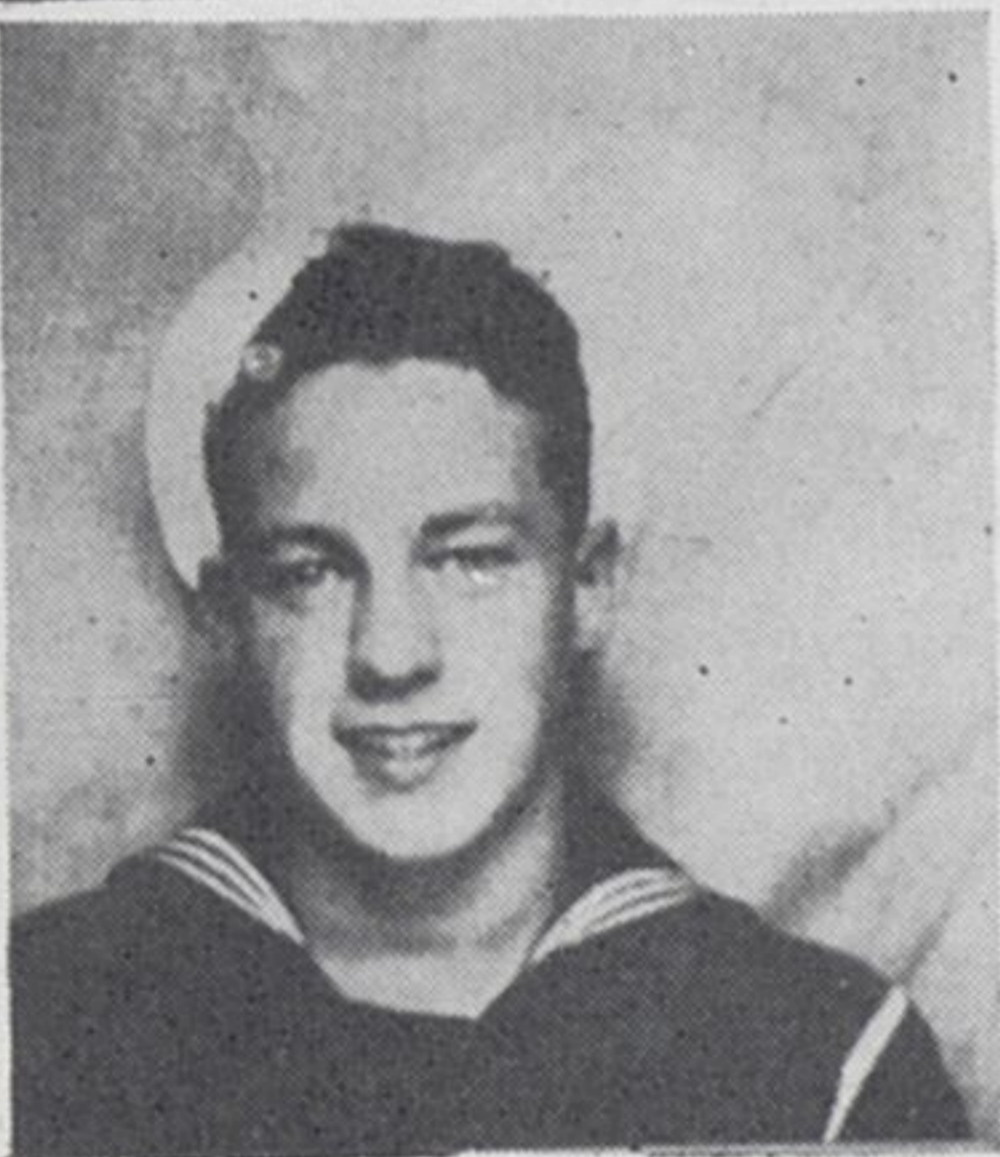
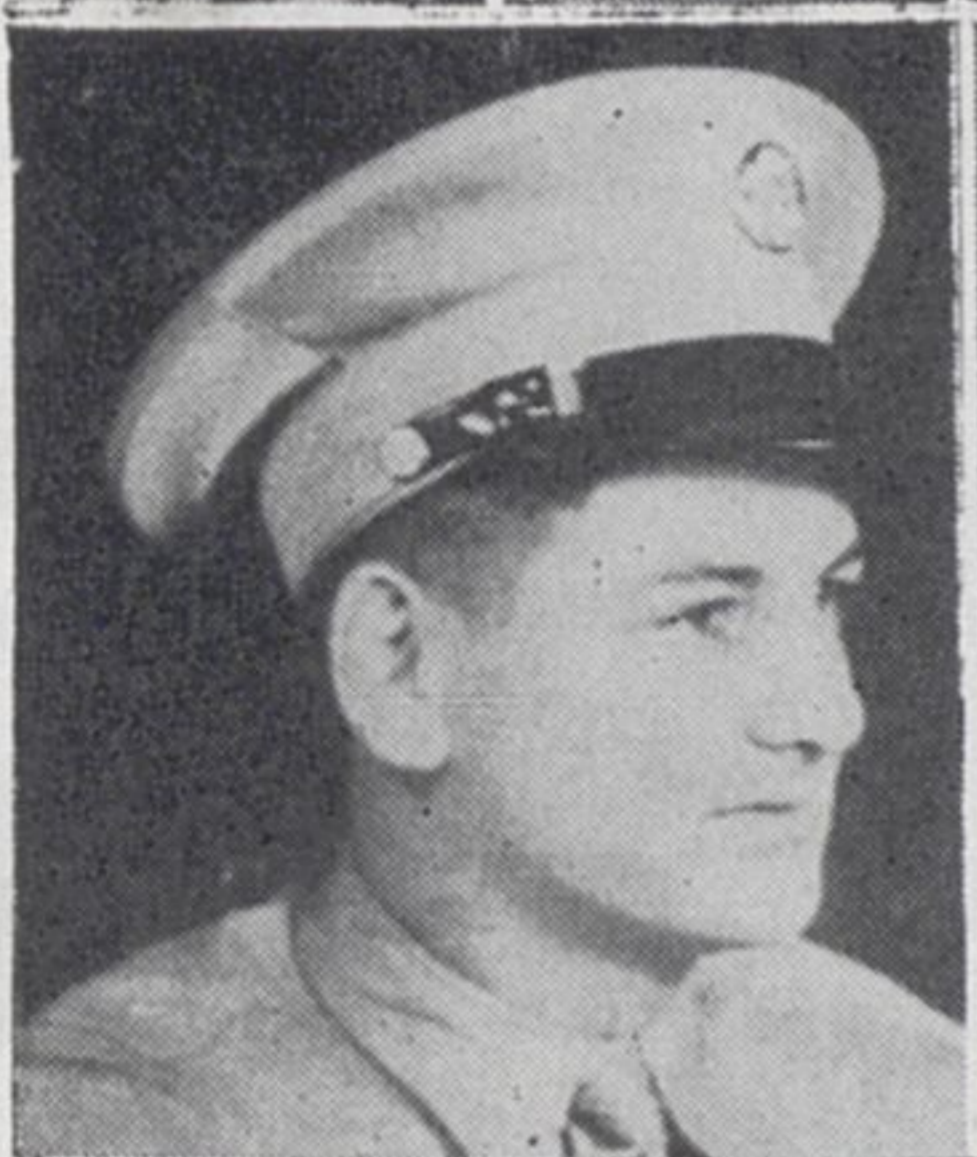
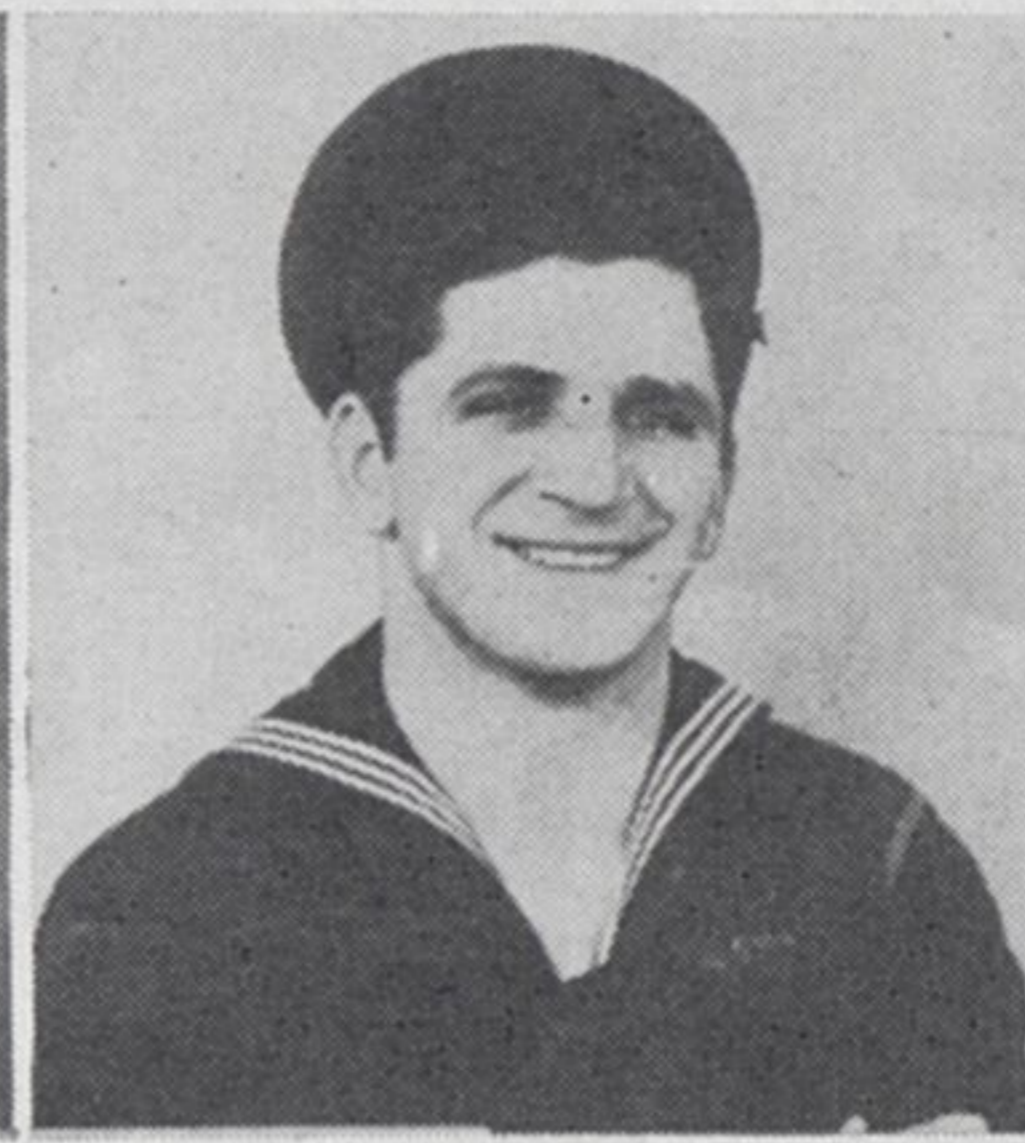
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Coplay Echoes Dedicated

The community sponsored home town monthly news magazine was dedicated at the Paradise roller skating arena, before a gathering of 300 or more persons.

Rev. Alfred A. Koch, opened the program with a prayer followed by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. "A Mother's Prayer" was next read by Rev. Richard J. Keen.

Following brief remarks by Mr. Ray C. Long, president of the Booster Club, and Rev. Richard J. Keen. Earl M. Schaffer, president of the Lehigh Printing Co., gave a resume of the various steps that were required to run the magazine.

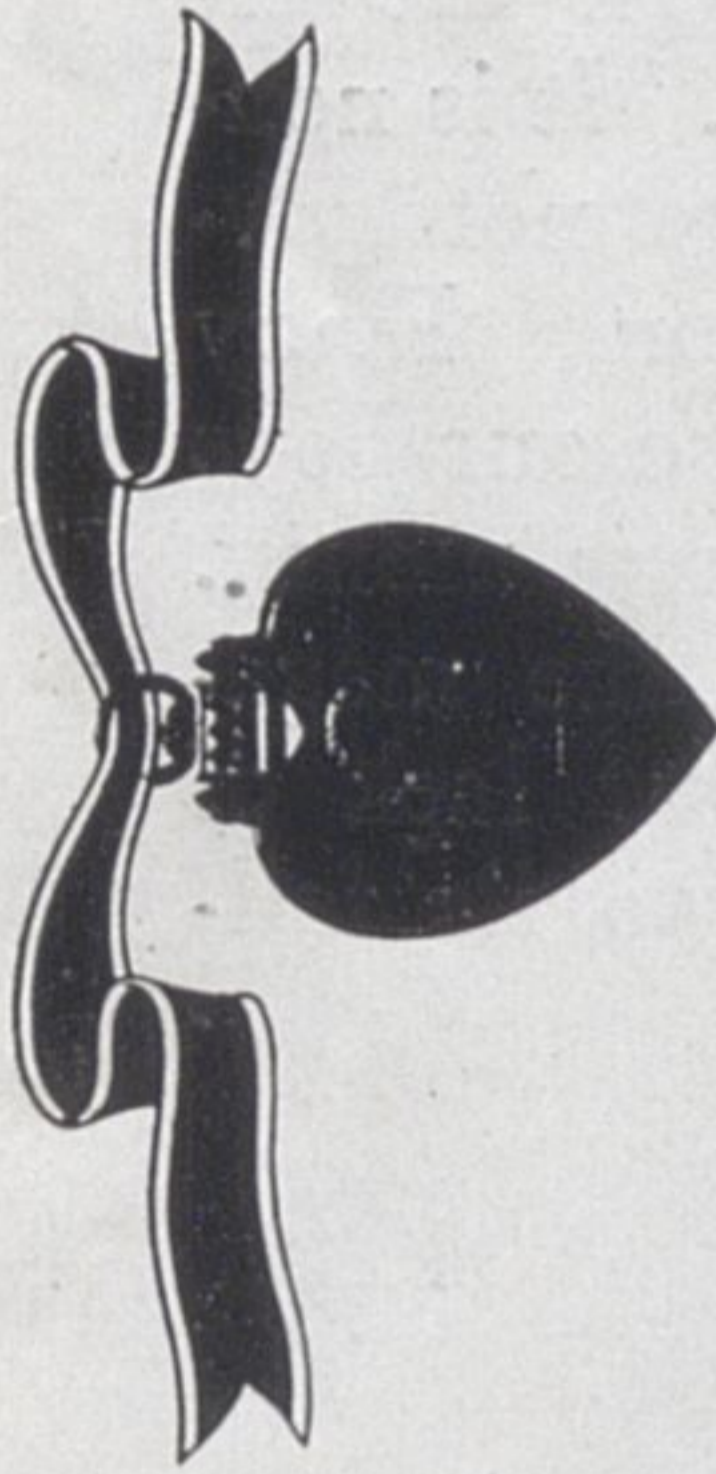
Certificates were presented to about 50 volunteer workers who assisted in making the magazine possible.

R. J. McMahan, Division Manager of the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp., the final speaker of the evening, among other things, described the new plane that is to be built in the Allentown plant. The plane, to be known as the TBY-1, a torpedo-bomber, is expected to be turned out by the end of January.

Following Mr. McMahan's talk, motion pictures of the battle of Midway were shown by courtesy of the Public Relations Department of the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.

Pictured above examining the offset printing proofs of the magazine are: R. J. McMahan, Ray C. Long, and Earl M. Schaeffer, of the Lehigh Printing Co.

Helen Taniser



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY VESTED IN HIM BY CONGRESS
HAS AWARDED THE

PURPLE HEART

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Louis Kovacs, A.S.No. 33171471,

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED
IN ACTION

resulting in his death August 15, 1943.

OFFICIAL:

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON
THIS 27th DAY OF September 1943.

MAJOR GENERAL,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Henry L. Stimson
SECRETARY OF WAR



Coplay's first Purple Heart Award for World War Two was bestowed post-humously upon Technician Fifth Class LOUIS KOVACS
number 27 by the President. The citation was received by Corporal Kovacs' mother several days ago.
The Purple Heart Medal is one of the oldest in American Military History. Other Coplayites who received this medal for wounds
in World War One are—HARRY LOCH, SR. and JAMES KERN.

Lines Of Communication

War and Navy Department rulings do not permit us to publish the complete service address of any Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, WAACS or WAVES, however we have in our mailing files the only complete list of exact army or navy addresses of every boy and girl in the service.

Any one in the service wishing to write to his former buddies should write here and the address of his pal will be forwarded to him.

How about it, start now.

Address all communications to

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FLASH...

LIEUT. FRANK KLUCCHARICH
Was Married
Morning of October 6th, to
MISS MARY LIEBLE
at the Sacred Heart Church
Allentown

What's Cooking

(Continued from page one)

Alice Schiffer looking tops again — — — we glance at the door of the High School building and we think of how most of you at one time or another tumbled eagerly out of there as four—now to wind our way back home and so-o-o to bed. Be seein' u, and in the meantime turn the front burners.

An Explanation

Many people have wondered why some boys who were inducted almost among the first have not yet had their pictures in our magazine.

A simple explanation is this: The pictures submitted for them cannot be successfully copied and enlarged. Every effort is being made to secure other pictures.

Please be patient.

The Editor.

A Statement

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