

Lauds Alaska Soldiers

Eats Lunch Beside G.I.s

Roosevelt Visits Alaska Military Bases

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dispensary where the blue uniformed nurses stood at attention. Lt. Richards was called over to the president's auto where she answered questions about the operation of the dispensary. The president asked if she were happy and she said she was.

The Roosevelt party came north on one of the navy's cruisers and the chief, wearing a gray suit, tan shirt, a sweater and a black navy tie, came ashore after the tugs brought the cruiser to the dock. His brown hat was turned down in front. Fala, the black Scottie, hopped nimbly on to the dock and proceeded to investigate the new surroundings.

The Aleutians gave the visitors a sample of the weather, the usual milder sort, common for this season. There was fog, and rain driven by shifting winds and williwaw gusts with occasional fleeting sunshine and glimpses of blue sky.

Ignoring rain and mud, the armed forces turned out in the biggest dress up day in the history of this base.

Officially the president's visit was a secret but soldiers and sailors were instructed to police their areas and guessed that someone of unusual importance was coming. Some speculated it would be Mrs. Roosevelt but doubt was removed when thousands of soldiers, sailors and marines and civilian workers lined the roads and watched the president's car pass.

Roosevelt left the warship at 10 a.m. and did not finish his tour until 4 p.m., six hours later. Except for time out for lunch he was practically on the go all the time. He passed before long ranks of white and Negro soldiers drawn to attention before the warehouses of the army quartermaster's depot. The buildings protected the soldiers somewhat from a driving Aleutian rain.

No newspaper reporters accompanied the party but the war correspondents assigned to Admiral Fletcher's force were allowed to follow the tour and attend the lunch.

SURPRISES ALASKAN TROOPS



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT made a quick surprise visit to Aleutian outposts on Aug. 3. Today at 3 o'clock Anchorage time he was to review his trip to Honolulu and Alaska.

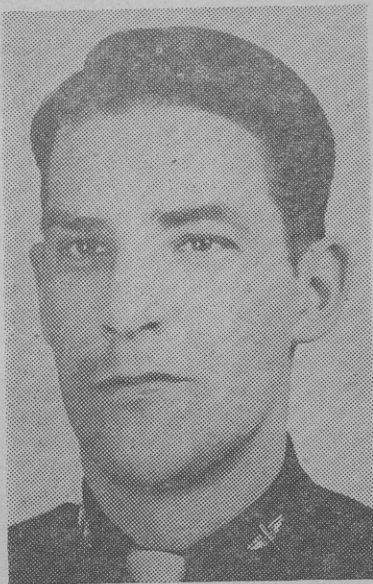


CAPT. DALE F. LEIPPER
... promoted while in Alaska.

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Paper May 5*

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Scout
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IN THE SERVICE



SGT. SAMUEL DeGIFFORD
... now serving in Germany.

Staff Sgt. Samuel DeGifford, son of Mrs. Genevieve DeGifford, of 7242 Maywood st., Linda Vista, is serving with the medical group of the Third army in Germany. Overseas a year, DeGifford has been in the service four years. A brother, Pvt. Robert DeGifford, with the army in Italy, recently was wounded in action.

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Pvt. Bill Hartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hartman, of 181 Fourth ave., Castle Park, Chula Vista, is a combat engineer with the Seventh army in Germany. Veteran of service in England, France and Germany during his year overseas, Hartman, a graduate of Sweetwater Union High school, holds the Bronze Star Medal, the good conduct medal and the expert rifleman's badge. He entered the service in May, 1943.



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PVT. BILL HARTMAN
... veteran of European Battles.

ALASKANS NO LONGER IN FEAR OF SNEAK AIR RAIDS BY JAPS

By NORMAN BELL

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Nov. 20 (A.P.)—The war has gone west from here—so much so that the Alaska mainland no longer fears even a Japanese sneak raid.

The dimout is off and the lights, including those of Anchorage's "Great White Way," are on again—just as they are along the Pacific and Atlantic coasts of the United States.

You have to go out to the mid-Aleutian island of Adak, some 1200 miles from this lively community of good restaurants, before you now encounter the turmoil and tenseness of an actual war base.

Even Dutch Harbor, undoubtedly one of the immediate objectives of the Japanese before they were turned back at the Battle of Midway, is humorously referred to today by the boys on Attu and Kiska as "that big, safe eastern seaport."

The change, occurring in little more than a year, reached its present state when the enemy gave up their last Aleutian position without a fight and fled from Kiska.

GEESE CAUSE ALARM

Flights of wild geese used to cause civilian defense watchers to turn in air raid alarms. Their nervousness was excused by military commanders. They knew that at that time Japanese carriers could have moved into the gulf of Alaska overnight, hitting at Seward, Anchorage and Kodiak with ease.

L. J. Loussac, president of the Anchorage chamber of commerce, Rotary club and Pioneers society and a resident of the community since shortly after the first town lots were auctioned by the Alaska railroad in 1916, recalls the jittery days of 1942 with a relaxed smile. "Some people sent their families out to the States," he said. "Quite a few did."

The war also produced a business boom. Ft. Richardson and an army air base were built near the town. Soldiers and essential men and women civilians brought north to help in the emergency became a part of the community. Supplies and war materials poured through.

Robert B. Atwood, editor and publisher of the Anchorage Times, reports that latest estimates give the place a population of between 11,000 and 13,000—making it probably Alaska's largest city. The last before-the-war official census gave it 3488.

The city recently bought the hydro-electric system which provides its power for \$1,500,000.

FOOD GOOD

There is no food rationing and Anchorage's restaurants do a lively business. The food is good and, except for one meatless day a week, there is always a variety of steaks, chops, cutlets and beef, lamb and pork roasts.

Restaurant prices are high but no higher than they were in San Francisco and Seattle when I came through those cities last July and August on the way from a South Pacific assignment to the Aleutians. Ham (real ham and a liberal cut) and eggs, with potatoes, toast with butter and jam, and coffee, cost \$1.25 at one of the better restaurants. Dinners at this and similar places range from \$1 to \$2.25 and up to \$2.75, the latter usually being for special cut steaks.

"The Lido," the town's most swanky night club (and it compares favorably in atmosphere, trimmings and service with the best in large States' cities) puts out a \$5 dinner. The price includes the privilege of dancing (to juke music) or just sitting the entire evening. "The Lido" caters to army officers.

SCALES IDLE

Enlisted men enjoy themselves at the "South Seas," decorated in the Hawaii manner, farther down the main street. And "The Ambassador," with a bar dividing the dance floor side from the foot-on-rail drinkers' side, frankly goes all out for service men. A sign above the window, where dance tickets are sold for \$1 a couple, states that the patronage of "natives"—mean-

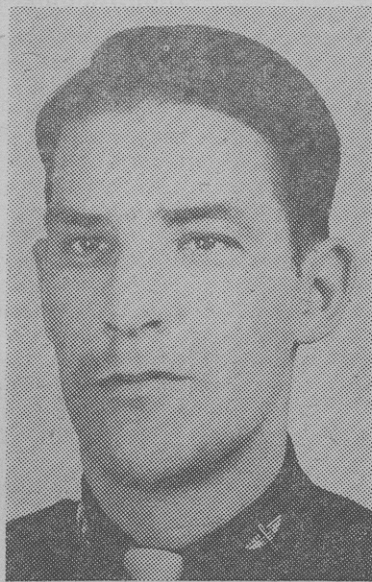
ing hometown male civilians—is not wanted.

Anchorage, a "jumping off" terminal for interior Alaska, north and east, and the Aleutian chain to the west, has no particular local industry. The gold scales at the bank, where miners used to bring their nuggets and dust, are idle. Gold mining, what with priority and labor shortages, is generally at a standstill—a war casualty.

The town's biggest business now is transportation, by the Alaska railroad and by air. Half a dozen airways companies have offices downtown and the Anchorage civilian airport is a busy spot. The civil aeronautics authority's report for June shows that it had 7695 landings and takeoffs, as compared to 7428 at New York's LaGuardia field and 3510 at Seattle's Boeing field.

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AAF Captain



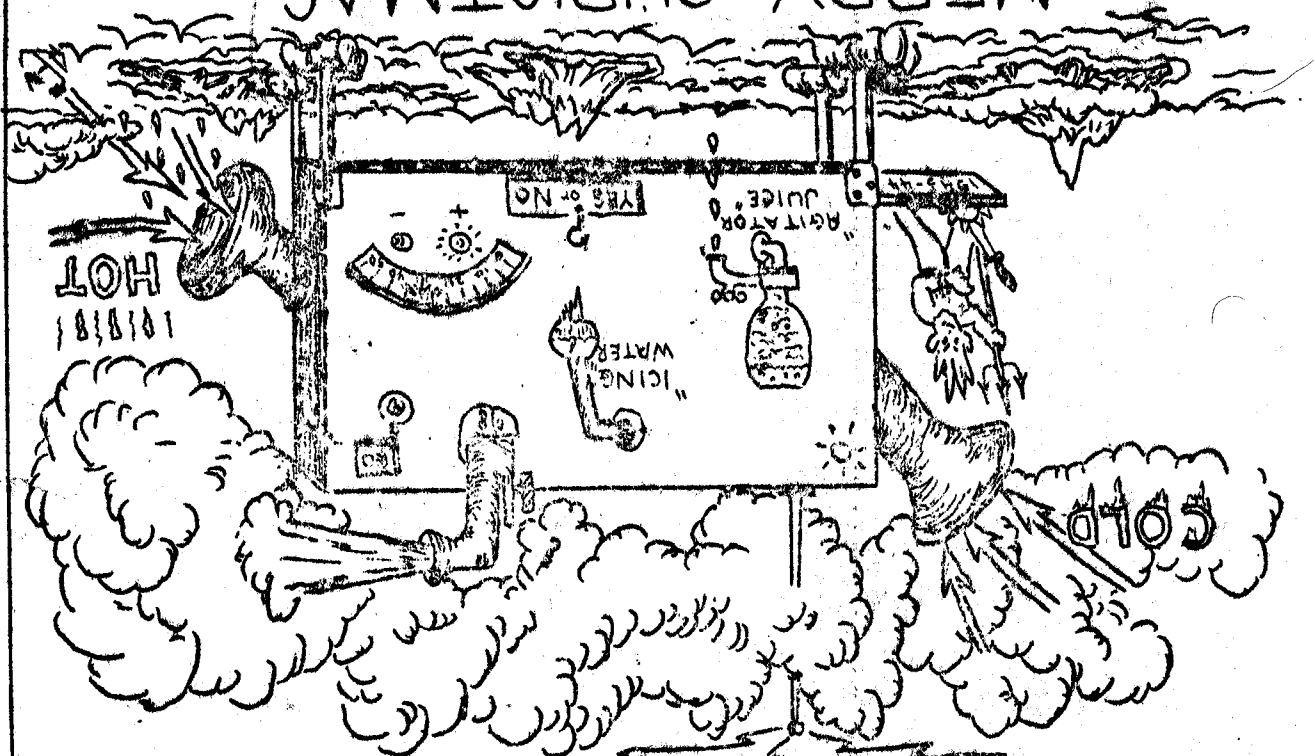
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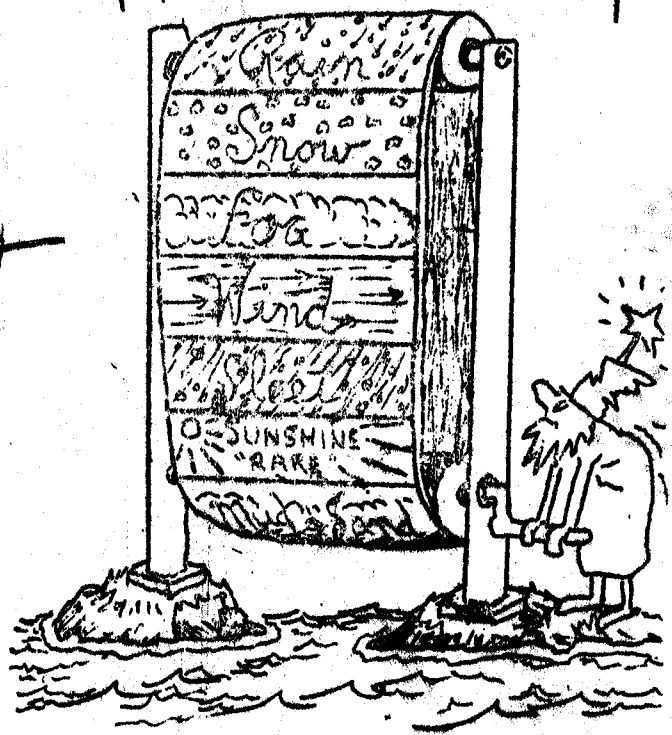
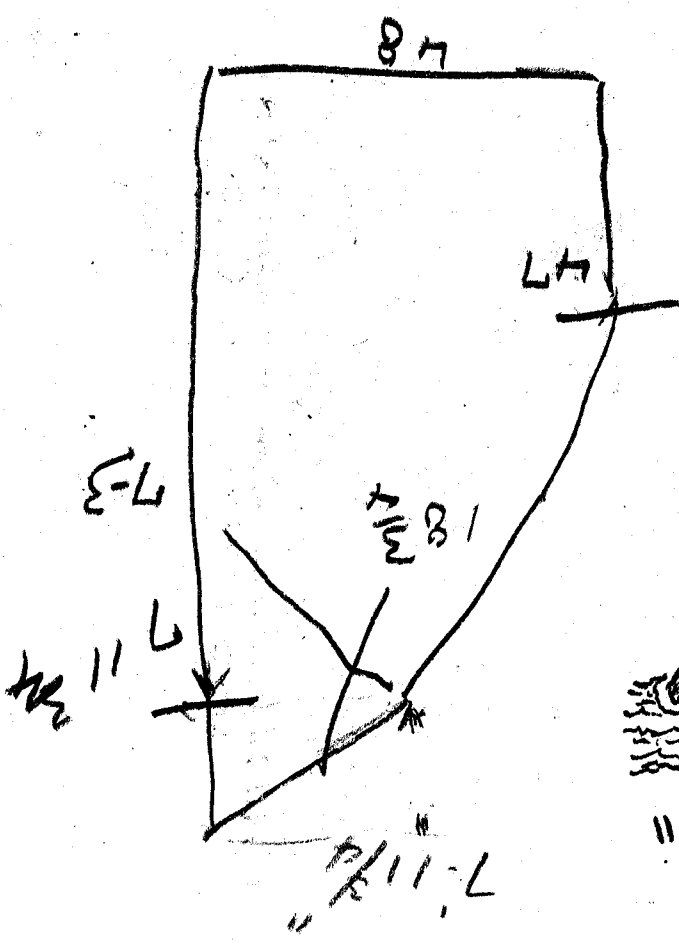
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MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU



COMIN' THROUGH WITH A

HERE'S YOUR



"WEATHER ROLLER"



S. S. ALEUTIAN LUNCH

C. NILSEN, Lieut. Commander, U.S.N.R., Commanding

Sunday September 26, 1943

Green Onions

Pickled Herring

SOUPS

Chicken Chiffonade

FISH

Fried Fresh Smelts

ENTREES

Grilled Sirloin Steak, Bordelaise Sauce
Frankfurters and Sauerkraut

VEGETABLES

Cottage Fried Potatoes

Stewed Carrots

COLD BUFFET

Cold Cuts with Potato Salad

DESSERT

Vanilla Cream Pudding, Raspberry Sauce

Lunch Cake

Cherry Jello

Peach Pie

CHEESE

Cream Cheese

American Cheese

Coffee

Chocolate

T. MARTIN, Chief Steward



DINNER

C. NILSEN, *Lieut. Commander, U.S.N.R., Commanding*

Tuesday September 28, 1943

SOUPS

Navy Bean

FISH

Baked Salmon, Fine Herb Sauce

ENTREES

Boiled Smoked Ox Tongue, Horseradish

Compote of Prunes

ROASTS

Roast Leg of Pork with Apple Sauce

Prime Ribs of Beef au jus

COLD BUFFET

Cold Cuts with Potato Salad

Sliced Tomatoes

VEGETABLES

Boiled Onions

Mashed Potatoes

DESSERT

Seattle Ice Cream, Wafers

Chocolate Cake

Fresh Green Apple Pie

Cherry Jello

Sugar Cookies

CHEESE

American Cheese

Kraft Cheese

Cafe Noir

T. MARTIN, *Chief Steward*



S. S. ALEUTIAN

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NO RESERVED SEATS FOR BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST

Sunday September 26, 1943

Chilled California Cantaloupe

stewed French prunes

Kadota Figs

CEREALS

Farina

Corn Flakes

Post Toasties

Wheaties

Puffed Rice

Puffed Wheat

Shredded Wheat Biscuit

All Bran

FRESH CREAM SERVED WITH ALL CEREALS

Roast Beef Hash with Poached Eggs

Onion Omelette

Ham and Bacon

Minced Ham and Scrambled Eggs

French Fried Potatoes

EGGS TO ORDER

Fried—Poached—Scrambled—Boiled or Shirred Eggs

Egg Muffins

Flannel Cakes

Dry or Buttered Toast

Assorted Hot Rolls

Tea Garden Jams and Jellies

Coffee

Cocoa

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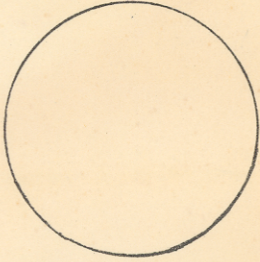
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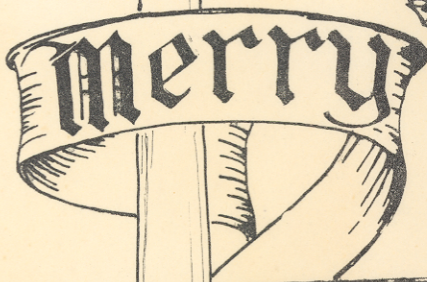
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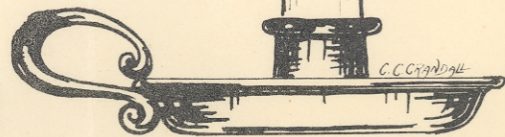
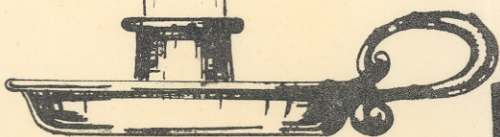
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Christmas and a Happy New Year



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