Lieutenant and Wife Return From Pacific

First Lt. and Mrs. Arthur E. Collins, 1443 R St., NW, who have just returned from Korea and Japan. Lieutenant Wilson is holder of the Silver Star. All of the "fruit salad" on his chest represents combat ribbons in the Korean conflict, in which he spent 13 months, and World War II, in which he served over a year. Mrs. Collins has been in Japan during the time her husband has been serving in Korea.

REALLY A DOG'S LIFE:

Front Line Soldiers Take Time to Fix Up Tents

By RALPH MATTHEWS

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA—The old saying, "There's no place like home," eyen holds good for the men who are sleeping every night in pup tents along the bristling Korean frontlines.

The boys with nothing to do but listen to the big guns roaring around them, take time out during the lull to brighten up their temporary domiciles. Some prefer to dig deep holes just inside their tents, line them with stones and gravel, and make a neat little dugout.

Need to Bale Out

Others frown on this because when it rains it takes several days to bale out and get the place dry again. Some sleep directly on the ground and dig a narrow trench around the tent to drain off the water.

One of the big headaches for the MPs is flushing out storage batteries intended for use on trucks and tanks, which the GIs appropriate and use to rig up lights in the tents.

All sorts of tricks are used to hide the batteries. Some lads bury them in the ground and run wires through the brush.

Lizards Are Nuisance

Next to dampness, the biggest worry of the soldiers is swarms of bugs, bugs and lizards which bury themselves under their bedding during the day and create havoc at night sending the hapless tentdweller scampering out of his own house.

The more artistic of the boys go in for landscaping, digging up small trees and bushes in the nearby woods, and replanting them to form a hedge or garden around their tents.

Just a Dog's Life

But regardless of whatever else he devises to make his tent more homey, no soldier neglects to dig a foxhole close by into which he can dive on a moments notice in case of bombing raids or artillery fire.

These he reinforces with sandbags and logs and tries to keep clear of water and debris.

But matters not what they do to make things livable, the boys agree that the name "Pup tent" is a good name because it's really a dog's life.

Dog's Life

"It's a dog's life." That's what soldiers like Pvt. Leroy Wilson Abdul, Jr., think of life in a pup tent.

He was snapped by AFRO correspondent Ralph Matthews, in front of his "home" along the famous MLF (Main Line of Resistance) in Korea. He is the grandson of Mrs. Harriet Green, Lake Charles La. His only seat is his helmet.

Boyhood Pals Meet in Korea

Together in Thick of Cavalry's Battle

By RALPH MATTHEWS

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA—It isn't often that GIs in Korea get a chance to pal up with boyhood pals but so it happened recently in the case of three lads from Louisiana who not only played together as youngsters, but also attended high school and college together and then wound up in the same unit with the First Cavalry and as they put it.

"Went through hell together."

Recently the First Cavalry division was hard hit by the enemy in a UN push which gained ground under tremendous odds and these lads were in the thick of battle.

From Louisiana

They are Sgt. Herbert Hall, 229 Reid St., Lake Charles, La., son of Mr. and Mrs Ieo Hall; Cpl. Alton C. Ford, 1625 Terrace St., Baton Rouge, La., son of Mrs. Ruth Ford and Sgt. Charles R. Stewart, 1436 Myrtle St., Baton Rouge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stewart.

Hall was a student at both Xavier University and Alcorn College. Ford attended Southern University and Stewart went to Grambling.

Men Seen in Korea

Other men seen in Korea were Cpl. Rochell Bloo 218 W. 140th St., Apt. 2, New York, nephew of Mrs Willie M. Robinson, Sgt. Roscoe Brown, 4039 Lake Park, Chicago son of John Brown; Cpl. Leroy Bolden, 219½ K St., SW, Washington, D.C., husband of Mrs. Eileen Bolden.

Pfc. Harry Shirley, Rt 3, Box 78, Madison, Ala., son of Mrs. Areta Harris; Pfc. Aaron Wilder, 1604 Connecticut St., Gary, Ind., son of Mrs. Martha Griggs; Sgt. Charles Bond, 233 W. 148th St., New York, son of Mrs. Elizabeth White.

Sgt.Willard Wallace, Rt. 4, Box 247, Texarkana, Tex., son of Gady Wallace; Cpl. Frank Brimm, 216 W Bell St., St. Louis, Mo., son of Mrs. Mattie Brimm, and Pfc. Charles Duckworth, 44 Sychar Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duckworth.

Condition of Oil Lamp Victim Still 'Critical'

RICHMOND

Mrs. Bertha M. Robinson of the 2200 block E. Main St. is still in a "critical" condition at St. Philip Hospital, where she is suffering second and third-degree burns.

The woman was injured on Oct. 26, police said, when Mrs. Lucy M. Reed, 18, of 2100 block E. Franklin St., accused Mrs. Robinson of being friendly with her husband and hit her in the head with a lighted oil lamp.

Silver Star Winner Back

Lieutenant, Private on Leave from Korea

Two Washington soldiers have recently returned from Korea and are currently on leave awaiting reassignment. One is an officer and holder of the Silver Star for gallantry in action and both are Purple Heart winners.

They are:

First Lt. Arthur E. Collins of 1443 R St. NW, the Silver Star holder, and Pfc. Joseph L. Hadley, 705 Second St., SW.

In All Major Battles

Lieutenant Collins returned from Korea on Oct. 5 after spending 13 months in service over there. He participated in all of the major battles between August 1950 and September 1951.

He is currently on leave and soon will go to Ft. Eustis, Va., where he has been reassigned.

He is also holder of the Army Commendation Medal earned during the Korean campaign. During World War II he won the Combat Infantry Badge, the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

Gallant Warrior

The Silver Star was awarded him for gallantry in action at Masan during the break through in September 1950. His company was overrun at the time and his unit commander killed.

Lieutenant Collins took over the company, attacked and regained the hill over which they were fighting, and held it for 24 hours. He helped to evacuate the wounded to the rear.

Lieutenant Collins is the son of Arthur E. Collins Sr., of Leavenworth Kans.

Wife Nearby

Mrs. Collins spent 22 months in Japan where she could be with or near her husband. She first went to Japan when her husband was with the Tokio Quartermaster Depot there. They have no children.

While in Korea the Lieutenant was with the 24th Infantry Regiment, 13th Field Artillery.

Private Wounded Twice

Private First Class Hadley entered the service in July of last year. He went overseas in February 1951 and was wounded twice. He returned to the States on Oct 1.

When asked about Korea he had a single comment.

"It's a b—l of a place to be in." He was with the Second Division and is on leave waiting reassignment in the States.

He is the son of the Rev. E. L. Hadley of the Second Street address. Hadley has two sisters, Helen and Delbe and two brothers, Charles and Neal.

Governor Grants Eleven Paroles

Governor Theodore R. McKeldin last week granted eleven men serving prison terms ranging from one to twenty years.

Paroled were:

Term for Robbery

Cecil Clarence Black, sentenced June 26, 1951, Circuit Court, Prince Georges County, twelve months. Md. House of Correction, charge of lottery.

Theodore Brown, sentenced January 26, 1948, Criminal Court, Baltimore, not more than six years, Md. State Reformatory for Males, burglary, three cases; larceny—two cases.

Cecil Camper, senfenced November 5, 1941, Circuit Court, Dorchester County, not more than ten years, Md State Reformatory for Males, manslaughter.

Term for Robbery

David C. Collins, sentenced September 11, 1944, Criminal Court, Baltimore, thirty-one and one half years, Md. Penitentiary, robbery with deadly weapon—two cases, sentence reduced to 21 years. July 30, 1951

Lucious Kelly, sentenced October 25, 1950, Circuit Court, Prince George County, three years, Md House of Correction, assault and battery.

Fulton B. Mitchell, sentenced June 26, 1951, Circuit Court, Prince George County, 12 month, Md. House of Correction, lottery.

Wallace Robinson, sentenced December 15, 1950, Criminal Court, Baltimore, not more than 18 months Md. State Reformatory for Males, larceny

William Robinson, sentenced March 11, 1947, Criminal Court, Baltimore, not more than 20 years, Md. State Reformatory for Males, robbery with a deadly weapon.

Five Year Term

Arthur James Stacey, sentenced, Nov. 17, 1950, Circuit Court, Prince Georges County, not more than five years, Md. State Reformatory for Males, warehouse burning.

William Tyler, sentenced September 11, 1944, Criminal Court, Baltimore, 31 years in the Maryland Penitentiary, sentence reduced to 21 years in December, 1950, robbery.

Arthur Fulton, sentenced October 7, 1950, Criminal Court, Baltimore, three years Md. House of Correction, burglary. Commutation to enter hospital for treatment of tuberculosis.

Important and interesting bits of news are discussed weekly in REPORTER'S REPORT TO THE PEOPLE, written by your crack AFRO informants.

FLEW WING IN 10 MISSIONS:

Crack Jet Pilot Turns Out to Be Chap 5-ft., 4-in. Tall

Crack Jet Pilot

By RALPH MATTHEWS

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA—When I called for Lt. Dayton Ragland, the only colored Jet pilot attached to the Fourth Fighter Wing, which has been creating havoc over North Korea, I expected to find a strapping six-footer, but instead the chap who greeted me was hardly more than 5 ft. 4, weighing about 135 lbs.

However, his colleagues contend that he is one of the most dependable and efficient members of their squad. This is proved by the fact that for the last 10 missions he has flown wing for the squad leader.

When a colonel stations a man on his wing, it means he trusts that man with his life because the wing man must protect him when he goes in for a kill.

Attended Lincoln U in Mo.

Ragland is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Ragland, 2004 E. 27th St., Kansas City, Mo. A graduate of Lincoln High School there, he also attended Lincoln University (Mo.) for three years before volunteering for the Air Forces.

He took his cadet training at Randolph Field and then took an advance course in jet operation at Williams Field in Phoenix, Ariz. There he learned himself with the latest models of jet planes which gave him a slight edge over some of his comrades in the Far East.

30 Missions Over 'Mig Alley'

His skill has brought him back safely from 30 or more missions over "Mig Alley" where UN fighters have been meeting with mounting enemy opposition.

The fighters go out daily to serve as a cover for light and heavy bombers pounding at railways and enemy buildings throughout North Korean bastion.

Although he only weighs 135 and is only 5 foot 4, Lt. Dayton Ragland of Kansas City, Mo. has piled up an enviable record as the only tan member of the Fourth Fighter Wing which has been creating a havoc over "Mig Alley" in North Korea. (AFRO Photos by Ralph Matthews)

The jets are capable of doing 670 miles per hour and are equipped with auxiliary gas tanks which carry fuel enough for the dash to the target area where they are dislodged.

Guns Spit Death

They also are equipped with six automatic guns which spit death and destruction both at planes in the air and to troops on the ground.

They also carry a ventral camera in the nose of the plane which records damage done to enemy aircraft. This is the aviator's proof of planes shot down or crippled.

Ragland feels certain that jet propulsion will eventually displace all forms of propeller - driven planes, and he has abandoned his hope of being a school teacher and hopes to remain in the Air Forces.

Liason Pilot

Another pilot who is making good in Korea is Lt. Harry Townsend of 45 Duval St., Philadelphia, the son of Mrs. Della M. Townsend. He is a liason pilot for the 25th division Headquarters, operating both planes and helicopters.

Attached to the headquarters command, he has flown some of the highest ranking generals and other top brass of the Far East Command. He has been in the Army for eight years.

GIs Get Good Teeth Care

Dentist Praises Policy of Air Force

By RALPH MATTHEWS

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA — If any GI goes home with defective teeth, that is his own fault in the opinion of Capt. Moses Ray, dental surgeon attached to the Fourth Fighter Wing at an advance Air base here.

Capt. Ray resides at 19 Adams St. NW, Washington, where his wife, Mrs. Helen Ray and his family now live. He is a graduate of Howard University and before joining the Air Forces practiced at Tarboro, N.C.

He praised the racial policy of the Air Forces and revealed that he is chief of his unit which is organized, and has two other dentists (white) on his staff.

Predictions Proved Wrong

Other officers who expressed pleasure at the racial policy of the Armed Forces in Korea were Lt. Wilbert J. Nowsome, 1806 Trinity St., Houston, Tex., formerly a member of the deactivated 24th Infantry, who has been reassigned to an integrated platoon of which only three members are colored.

"I have a fine bunch of men," he said, "and none of the pessimistic predictions that whites would not serve under colored officers is true. Not in my case at least. Out here you are just another man and the men of both races respect authority."

The same opinion was expressed by Lt. William Allen of 210 Temple St., Richmond, Va., husband of Mrs. Edith Allen. He also was attached to the 24th until recently. He has been reassigned as communications officer with a mixed unit.

Heads Battalion of 1000

Perhaps one of the happiest men in the Army is M-Sgt. Al Dirrett of 608 21st St. NE, Washington, formerly attached to the Ninth Infantry.

The husband of Mrs. Sarah Dirrett, he is a veteran of eight years' service and when the integration program got under full swing he was transferred from Company B, in which he was in charge of 205 men, to a sergeant major over a mixed battalion of 1,000.

"I get 100 per cent cooperation," he said. "This is the best thing that has happened in the United States Army."

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CLERIC CALLS IT 'SMEAR':

Letter Accuses Bishop of Demoralizing Area

WASHINGTON

An unsigned circular letter, dated Richmond, Va., is being distributed throughout the second Episcopal District of the AME Church, charging that Bishop L. H. Hemingway, has demoralized the area.

Specifically, the letter charges that the Bishop has put leadership of the District in the hands of the Rev. G. Dewy Robinson, and men with long answers at big charges have been moved to smaller churches when they expressed an opinion or appeared to be supporters of Bishop Monroe Davis, who formerly headed the area.

The Rev. Mr. Robinson, pastor of the Metropolitan AME Church in Washington, had only this to say when querried by the AFRO: "I have no comment on that document, except to say that it is unfortunate that such a document was written and is being circulated."

Eighteen cases are cited to support this view. Bishop Hemingway, reached at his Washington office, had no comment on the letter.

The letter states that:

Bishop Hemingway became so enraged with Dr. J. D. Cowen, presiding elder for 30 years in North Carolina, for asking him a question after a talk at Kittrell College, that he placed him on a mission circuit;

Rev. Carnes Mentioned

That he did everything within his power to expel the Rev. J. D. Carnes from the church, but failed. Dr. Carnes has spent 40 years in the ministry and is presiding elder in North Carolina;

That Bishop E. L. Morrow, presiding elder, was named a Davis man, Bishop Hemingway sacked him on the conference floor and he was left without an appointment;

That in Durham, N.C., the Bishop went privately to Dr. Valentine, pastor of St. Joseph Church for 13 years, for money after declaring publicly that he "wanted no money." Dr. Valentine reportedly gave him a check for $15 which the bishop allegedly returned because it was not enough, and later put him out while he was on his death bed;

Recommended to Mission

That the Rev. L. E. Balding, pastor of a church in Wilmington, N.C., with 900 members, was demoted to a mission in spite of protests from the membership;

That the Bishop declared that any man caught at the Rev. H. C. Walker's home in Wilmington, N.C., or in his pulpit, would be cut down at the conference for his objection to Walker was that Walker was a candidate for the bishopric;

That Dr. H. M. Shields, who was pastor of St. John Church, Norfolk, Va., for nine years, where there were over 1,000 members, was sent to a church in the backwoods of Virginia, because he allegedly "was in the the Rev. Mr. Robinson's way." Mr. Shields was a candidate for the bishopric;

Hospital Patient

The letter also states that the Rev. Mr. Shields has been a hospital patient since last Easter.

Another accusation is that Bishop Hemingway transferred the Rev. H. A. Bartlette from Emanuel in Portsmouth, Va., with 1,400 members, out of his conference to keep him from being elected to the General Conference. He was sent to a small church in Cambridge, Md.

The Rev. W. J. Barkley is reported to have had a slight heart attack after his transfer.

Sent to Back Woods

The letter also states that the Rev. P. S. Mosley, pastor of Bethel in Richmond, where there are 585 members, was sent to the back woods of Virginia because he was a Davis man.

Bishop Hemingway also is accused of saying that the Rev. J. T. Walker, presiding elder for 27 years, could not fit into his political line-up, and sent him to the woods in Virginia, the Rev. J. W. Henry, presiding elder, because he was a Davis man;

That the Bishop sent to small missions men like the Rev. J. J. Grant, presiding elder of the Roanoke District, the Rev. J. W. B. Nash, pastor of Mt. Zion, Roanoke; the Rev. George R. Hawkins, presiding elder of the Petersburg District, all because they reportedly were Bishop Robinson men.

Over Members' Protest

Called a Davis man, the Rev. S. W. Williams, pastor in Annapolis for seven years, with a membership of 1,000, was sent to the Virginia Conference over the protest of his membership.

The other two cases cited in the letter were those of the Rev. J. L. Reese of Bethel Church, Baltimore, and the Rev. J. C. Beckett, pastor of 13 years of Metropolitan in Washington. Both allegedly were ill favor, because they were in Robinson's way and were Davis men.

The Rev. Mr. Beckett, who died suddenly, had given the AFRO the following written statement of his opinion about the anonymous letter, two days before his death. He commanded that:

Called 'Smear' Campaign

"In our government "smear" propaganda is used to injure the character and work of those in official positions, and seems to be growing. Unfortunately it is creeping into the church to injure those in responsible positions.

"I received a copy of the letter, but paid little attention to it, believing it to be from some disgruntled person. I was called the "Case 18." Since my name has appeared in several replies in the press, I feel duty bound to speak for myself.

"All ministry, I have served in the First and Second District under Bishops W. Camon, Evans Tyree, W. H. Heard (twice), J. H. Jones, M. H. Davis, G. W. Barber and now L. H. Hemingway. I have always been loyal to my bishops.

"No bishop has shown me greater respect and consideration than Bishop Hemingway. When the General Conference changed the District lines, I was in 11 eight years instead of unlimited, my time expired at Metropolitan Church, Washington, where I served 13 years.

"Bishop Hemingway offered me large appointments in Baltimore and in Virginia. I elected to take Brown Memorial Church in Washington, where the pastor there had died a short time before.

Bishop Does Good Job

"Bishop Hemingway is doing a splendid job in rehabilitating Mitchell College, building new church and building new homes for churches, enlarging and expanding the old ones, and renovated parsonages, paying old debts and all conferences free from debt.

"He does not deserve this "smear" campaign. As bishop he has the right to make appointments and make changes for the good of the work. I think it unfair to try to hinder a young man like the Rev. R. Robinson in his ambitions."

Reese Won't Comment

The Rev. Mr. Reese was also was mentioned in the letter declared:

"Since I am one of the parties involved, I would not like to comment or say anything about the matter."

The Rev. Mr. Reese was transferred at the last conference from the pastorate of Metropolitan AME Church in Washington, to the job of presiding elder of the Centralville District. He has 13 posts, most of them missions.

He was at Metropolitan for two years and at Bethel in Baltimore for two years.

NAACP Member Campaign Far Ahead, but Shy of Goal

NAACP Campaign workers have reported to date a total of 5,270 members and $13,634.15, Miss Gertrude Gorman, campaign director announced this week.

Praising the workers and the community for its response to the NAACP's Campaign appeal, Miss Gorman urged the workers to keep punching until "they have reached their goal."

"In spite of the number of campaigns conducted in this community since August 1, I am gratified at the response of the community to the NAACP Campaign which is approximately 1,000 members and $2,000 ahead of what the total was this time last year," Miss Gorman said.

"It means that the people of Baltimore believe in the NAACP and realize its need more than ever before."

Dodgers Hold Lead

The Brooklyn Dodgers, representing Northwest Baltimore under Raymond A. C. Young, Manager, reported 2,147 members $5,058.82. The New York Giants, West Baltimore, managed by Carter M. Puryear, reported 1,135 members $2,382.23.

Cleveland Indians, East Baltimore, Mrs. Celia Crawford and Mrs. Birtsall Ross, Co-managers reported 860 members, $1896 and South Baltimore, The St. Louis Robinson's, Mr. Clifton L. Taylor, Manager, 758 members, $1,556.93.

Dr. Charles Watts reported 38 members $1,201.29 for the Special Gifts and Legal Defense Fund. Mrs. Augusta T. Chisell, $1570.76 for the Interracial Committee; Lillie May McDougless, and Shelman Johnson for the Youth Division, reported 73 members $78.50.

Higher Scorer

High scorer in the Northwest Baltimore Division, was the President's Team, headed by Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, leader which reported to date a total of 5,270 members and $13,634.15, Miss Gertrude Gorman, campaign director announced this week.

More Reports to Come

Miss Gorman stated that additional reports of Captains and workers will be made next week. Many captains have asked for an additional week to meet their individual goals before their eports are announced.

On Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. a special report of church captains will be made at the home of Mrs. Lillia M. Jackson, president, 1218 Druid Hill Avenue.

Baptist Church,	50 members, $104.00.

Highest captains were, Mrs. Sarah Diggs, 213 members, $844.50. Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, 223 members $515.00. Mrs. Beatrice Martin, 176 members, $380.50; Mrs. Florence Snowden, 162 members, $302.00; Mrs. Annie Harcum, 108 members, $214.50; Mrs. Enolia McMillan, 105 members, $160.00, Miss F. Estelle Holloway, 70 members, $142.00; Mrs. Eliza Young, 67 members, $130.00; Dean Charles Key, 64 members, $125.00.

Leading captains in West Baltimore were Mrs. Mary Hawkins, 122 members $197.52; Mr. Frank C. Reed, 97 members $186.00; Mr