Pvt.: "See that sailor over there annoying that girl?" M. P.: "Why, he's not even looking at her."

Pvt.: "That's what is annoying her.

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AROUND THE TOWN. A man recently forced entrance into the home of Mrs. Robert M. Schmidt. It was early in the morning. She was home with her children and her husband was out of the city. She awoke, saw the man near her bed. She screamed as he lunged at her, but fought him off. In the struggle she bit him on a wrist. He became alarmed and ran out the front door. People six blocks away had heard the screams of Mrs. Schmidt. Police have not made any arrests as yet ... The Monarch Company has moved to its new quarters at 19 So. 12th St. ... Cards have been distributed over the county by Elmer J. Albright, Veterans employment representative, telling where his office is located (it's right next to KVFD). Many returning vets are getting all the dope at that spot ... A 160 acre farm near Farnhamville was sold recently—at \$215.00 an acre ... Lt. Gary Rabiner, Navigator on a B-24, came pretty close to home this afternoon when he circled the city square and his father's store. He wired his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rabiner, 1308 3rd Ave. No., from the Topeka, Kansas, airfield that he would be flying over Fort Dodge this afternoon. His brother, Sgt. Al Rabiner, is home on leave from a POW camp in Germany ... Funeral services were held July 26 for Edward A. Olson, 58, former city milk inspector . . . High

school gridders are getting in condition with Merrill Leffler, Irvin Robinson and Paul Eide peddling ice . . . George Knack, star of the 1944 Dodger football team, is in the Navy. He's taking "boot" training at the Great Lakes . . Fort Dodge defeated Madrid, 10 to 2, in the second round of the semi-pro tourney at Adel. However, the team lost out to Adel in the next round, 5 to 1 . . Dr. M. T. Johnson has succeeded Dr. F. J. Austin as medical director of the Iowa Public health district No. 5, with headquarters in Fort Dodge . . . Congressman and Mrs. James I. Dolliver and children are here for a short visit . . . Sgt. Matthew Ray enjoyed a Christmas party on July 29th at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Ray. They had a tree and all the trimmings . . . Now for that diamond dope: Fort Dodge defeated Gowrie, 2 to 1, Sunday and now is fourth in the Five County league. Eagle Grove heads the league after beating Manson, 5 to 3. Vincent had a field day whipping Pomeroy, 21 to 4, and Farnhamville finally won a game nosing out Lohrville, 6 to 5. In the Dodger game, Gowrie led, 1 to 0, as the 9th frame came up—then with two out, Fort Dodge came to life and pushed over 2 runs to win . . . Hybrid corn detasseling has started in Webster county. Many of the workers are gals who want to get a real honest-to-goodness suntan. They will.

will.

OVER HERE. Doris Williams, in the WAVES at Washington, D. C., rest assured you will be getting YLFH each week . . . Sgt. W. R. Goodman is on furlough at Chicago. "We are infanticipating some time in Oct." . . Imagine Gene Brown with a handlebar mustache! He says he has one. Send us a snapshot of it, Gene . . . Pvt. Bob Dickerson writes, "If your son is overseas, write to him. If he's at Lejeune (Camp Lejeune, N. C., Marines) pray for him." Glad to hear from you, Bob . . . Foster Rutledge says "hello" to Herb Bohannan. He also adds he is a Pfe.—"private for ever." . . . Wayne E Laird, PhM 3/c, says "hello" to Bud Demitroff and Barbara Black. Wayne was injured on Iwo Jima and now is recuperating at Great Lakes.

TALY. Woody Clarken thinks he will be home in the near future. He sends his regards to Frank Carlson and Otto Mueller © FOGGY ENGLAND. Miss Janet Barrett, Red Cross worker, has arrived safely in England. She goes to London for further assignment.

② WAR'S GRIM TOLL. Cpl. Ralph I. Maberry was killed in Germany March 13th . . . The War Department has notified the family of Staff Sergeant Maurice J. Fevold that there is no further information on his status. He was reported missing over Germany Dec. 24, 1944.

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© ENJOYING MOM'S COOKING. Lt. Dale M. Sperry has arrived home on a 30 day furlough. He was with the 8th Air Force in England . . Cpl. James Saigh home for 30 days from Europe . . . More Webster County soldiers and sailors received honorable discharges. They are Richard W. Tigner, Frank J. Zenor, Francis E. Weideman, Maurice E. Coats, Stephanos I. Valassiades, all of Fort Dodge; Chester E. Hanson, of Callender; Joseph M. Anglin, of Clare; Charles T. Schuster, of Barnum . . Pvt. Paul Schwering is home at Duncombe after 34 months in the European and China-Burma theaters . . . Pfc. Marlin Hottman is home with an honorable discharge after 4 years of service . . . T/5 Harry Connor is another man home with an honorable discharge . . . Lt. Bernard Gillespie, liberated from a German prison camp is back home on furlough . . . Lt. (j. g.) Arnold Lott and family have been here for a short visit with his parents . . . T/Sgt. Wendell Boots, home for 30 days, had an operation for acute appendicitis . . . Ensign Joe Dodgen is here for 15 days. He has won his wings . . . T/5 Kenneth Quinn is enjoying a 30 day furlough with his mother . . . Lt. Clyde C. Dickerson has returned to Upton General Hospital, New York, after a 15 day furlough . . . Robert G. Ditzenberger, ARM 3/c, likes the home cooking he's getting on a 20 day leave . . . Others home are Pfc. Richard Hanson; S/Sgt. Gaylord L. Whiting;

T/Sgt. E. J. Gochee, out on points; Pfc. Ralph Stephan, also out with an honorable discharge; Robert E. Carroll discharged on points; T/5 Thomas S. Moore, here for 30 days; T/Sgt. Vernon Johnston has a furlough, and Lt. (j. g.) Donald McKirchy is expected from overseas soon . . . Earl Linden Rogers, S 2/c, has gone back to his base at Hawthorne, Nevada, after spending a nine day leave with his wife and children. This was the first time he had seen his new baby who was born in December . . . Sgt. Charles Everhart is home after 21 months overseas. He came home on the SS Argentina with 6700 other GI's. They docked in New York and saw the Empire State Bldg. He has the Presidential Citation and 8 battle stars . . . Pvt. Harold R. Ecklund arrived home this morning. He flew from Australia to Omaha. Left last Friday morning and got home Thursday morning at 1:45 . . . LeRoy Cook has left Italy and is headed for the good old U. S. A. . . . Pvt. Chester Orness is out of the service due to disabilities. He lives at Somers, Iowa . . . T/5 Paul J. Cain, Italy, expects to be a civilian soon . . . Honorable discharges for Pfc. Peter Ferden and Cpl. Olie Ferden.

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© DOWN THE CENTER AISLE. Emogine Ella Nitzel, PhM 1/c, and Thomas Allen Grice, PhM 1/c, were married at Detroit, July 22... Irma Hansch, Fort Dodge, and Sgt. Glenn Dencklau, of Vincent, at Vincent, Aug. 1... Elizabeth Lenore Gormally and Robert A. Mungo, CFC, at San Diego, July 18. Her dad is Bill, Captain on the police force here... Lt. P. H. Loomer, USN, to Frieda Hertel, at New York City, June 5... Florence Larson, of Bode, was married to Max Nye, GM 2/c, July 28.

© HOME TOWN BOYS MAKE GOOD. Bronze star to Lt. Kenneth A. Hill for meritorious service in Europe... It's John H. Craft from Pvt. to Pfc... Howard F. Jordan has been advanced to the rank of Sergeant in the Army Air Force... Charles O'Connor, flight control officer in the Air Corps on Luzon Island, has been promoted to Captain... C. L. Burnham from Lt. to Captain... C. A. DeHart, Pvt. to Pfc... Leonard Hill, Pfc. to Cpl... Floyd Porter, Pfc. to Cpl... Richard D. Peterson, Pvt. to Pfc... Jack D. Brown, Pvt. to Pfc... Emory G. Friday, Pfc. to T/5... William H. Phipps, Pfc. to Cpl... Ellis G. Hanson, commissioned Ensign... Frank Hosford, Pvt. to Pfc... William Blanchet, Cpl. to Sgt... Leo Foster, Pfc. to T/5... and Karl H. Sandberg, EM 2/c to EM 1/c. 2/c to EM 1/c.

SPECIAL NOTICE. Pfc. John H. Craft, here's a note to you from your wife—"Happy Birthday. We will celebrate it when you come home, even if it is a little late." Thought you would like to learn that.

FROM THE FIVE CORNERS OF THE WORLD. T/5 Rueben H. Peterson, Starnberg Lake, (Wurmsee) Germany. "Got the urge to write to you tonight and also send you a set of pictures taken in a few of these concentration camps over here. They really were bad, Ed, and it almost got me to see the walking skeletons, to smell the foul odor of the camps, and to see bodies of skin and bone lying in piles, stacked as cord wood. I was clear through the camp outside of Gatha and Weimor and the one at Ebensee, Austria. They were all alike but they say the Australian camps were the worst. I took most of these pictures and I know they are true pictures, we also talked to several of the prisoners. One of the pictures is of an SS man who came back to the camp in civilian clothes and was recognized by the inmates who immediately killed him by stabbing and smashing his head. This happened a half hour before I got to the camp one morning. Enough said about that I guess. Please thank the "Home Town Canteen" for a package of cards I received a couple of days ago. Can surely make use of them." FROM THE FIVE CORNERS OF THE WORLD. T/5 Rueben H. Peterson, Starnberg Lake, (Wurmsee) Germany. "Got the urge to use of them.

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Pfc. Robert P. Crosby, Burnkenfield, Germany. "The other day I had a very good surprise. I was watching some of our officers playing the 16 calvary officers and one of the boys from my outfit said the Captain out there is from Fort Dodge. I surely was surprised to see Capt. Smith, or rather Dr. Smith, who used to be in the State Bank Bldg. We had a very good talk. He's the second Fort Dodger I've met over here. A Colonel spoke up and said Fort Dodge must be a great place, and there wasn't any doubt in my mind about it."

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Major M. Ingebritsen, Fort Ord, California. "I just received YLFH, also HOME TOWN. This makes me homesick. It's going on 5 years now, but I will get back to enjoy the town again and also good old Lehigh. I'd like to say "A Big Hello" to the old gang of Co. "B," also Co. "G." Talk about snow—oh boy—something I haven't seen in 5 years. My regards to Fred Cooper and J. A. McKinstry. Hello to the gang at Lehigh. I look forward every week for YLFH and read every word of it. It seems only yesterday that I was 1st Sgt. of good old "B" Co. under Capt. Sanders and Lt. Baker (now Major or more), ha ha, also Lt. Bruce. I surely want to thank the merchants for their effort on the YLFH. It's a worthwhile project. Next week I will forward some patches for your collection." We received the patches and thank you so much, Major. Capt. J. S. Barry, APO 777, New York. I am enclosing one of our old shoulder patches to add to your collection in the event you don't already have it (it's the 15th Army Grp. Gen'l Clark's Hq.) We shall soon have a new one, I fancy, since we are no longer an Army Group Headquarter. I saw Bill Thatcher just prior to his embarkation for the States, a prospect that didn't seem displeasing to him. But as I am 4 points this side of 85 and in the Army of Occupation, I probably will be overseas for an indefinite period. We expect to be in Vienna soon, and most of us will be pleased at the prospect. I hope you will continue to print YLFH for several years yet because it looks as though I'll be over here to receive it. I am at Lake Garda at present and it is a beautiful place. Many prominent Italians had Villas on the Lake Maggiare, Lake Como and many of the rest." Thanks a lot for the shoulder patch, John. 1st Lt. Willard W. James, Wiesbaden, Germany. "Since I last wrote to YLFH I have made my way into Germany tia Liege, Belgium. Am now located in a very nice town near the Rhine. (I said nice) Well, it is nice if any German town

time I look at a YLFH I am amazed at the number of Fort Dodgers that are running into each other in different places around the world. So far that certainly hasn't happened to me. 17Lt. Mary McEvoy is in my unit. She trained at Fort Dodge but I believe she lives in Algona. Other than she, it has been many moons since I've seen anyone from the old home town. I am enclosing a small piece of German money for a souvenir. Of course, it is worthless or I wouldn't give it away so freely. Please let me know if you have the 12th Army Group patch. If not, I'll send you one of them. Keep the YLFH coming! I am sharing my copy with Lt. McEvoy and don't think either of us miss a word." If you have an extra 12th Army Group patch we would love to have it; and thanks for the money, too, even if we can't spend it, Willard.

Pfc. Marvin J. McCoy, France, APO 513, New York. "Every now and then I must take time to write and let you know I'm receiving the letter every week and always enjoy it. Had one yesterday in mail call and from it I learned a lot of things I never heard of previously. About all I can say as to my whereabouts is still just somewhere in France. Don't know how long we'll be here or just what our future setup will be. Hardly think I'll make it back to the states for a while yet, although in this man's Army you can never tell. Surely hope we land that way, though, rather than in another direction. Anyway, what ever the orders may read I hope it won't be too long until we're all back home. It'll be a big day all right. The situation in France remains about the same. The weather is hot, windy and dusty. They are starting to get things back to normal again. The crops and gardens seem to be coming along in good shape, and what I mean a good crop would help immensely. I've been in a number of the towns, spending the 4th of July in Marseilles, not much doing though. All the places are about the same, nothing to do except walk around and look. They hold us GI's up for anything we buy."

Pfc. Curtis Sanck, Oahu, Hawaii. I'w

camera. We have Germans doing our K. P. and one of them got me 9 films for 3 packages of cigarets and is going to try and get me a camera."

T/5 Don Maschino, Luzon, APO 70, San Francisco, Calif. "I am now in the Philippines and let me tell you it is a much better place to be than New Guinea. Even though it rains here we don't mind it too much for we have new tents and no doubt made by the best company in the States, the Fort Dodge Tent and Awning Co. For a little proof I'll enclose a tag I ripped off the bundle." We got the tag and thanks, Don.

Ch. A. H. Bertram, Capt., Scharding, Austria. "Since my last letter to you I've traveled. Here is a thumb-nail sketch of my roving activities. After fighting from the Roer to the Rhine I contracted yellow jaundice, was flown to a hospital in England, remained there 6 weeks, then to Edinburgh, Scotland, for a 7-day delay enroute, stretched to 9 days by virtue of V-Day, which I spent in Birmingham, England. Hereupon followed 5 weeks of reinforcement depots in Litchfield, South Hampton, LeHavre, Esampe (near Paris which I saw), Worms, Augsburg. At Augsburg I was reassigned to a FA Group in Salzburg. I made a thousand mile trip to my old unit, the 2nd Arm'd Division, only to learn that everything I owned had been lost in the Battle of the Elbe. Next week I made another thousand miles to Nancy, France, to serve at the enlisted men's rest camp for 7 days. The night I returned to Salzburg I was transferred to this unit, 407 F A Group. We're in category four, scheduled to come home in 1946, which will give me about 40 months of overseas duty. Mail is following me all over Europe. YLFH of June 8th arrived yesterday having passed through only 3 APO's. It was good to read it again." And there were fine letters from Foster Funk, APO 339, New York City; Glean Ness, Navy 121, New York City; A. M. Skophammer, Navy 230, 'Frisco; Roger Carlson, aboard the USS Catskill; Sqt. R. E. Cleveland, APO 702-1, Minneapolis. Glad to hear from each and everyone of you . . . So-o-o-o-o we come to t

Your home town correspondent, Ken Peterson.