

Cameron Leslie 11 May 1942 pg 5

Mrs. D. S. Cameron, wife of Mayor Cameron, today received a wire from their son Leslie, who is a corporal in the U. S. army now stationed somewhere in Australia. Corporal Cameron's wire was a Mother's Day remembrance and stated he was "feeling fine."

Cannaviona Dave 4 Sep 1942 pg 2

Elmer Fladmark, chief ranger for Glacier Park, will leave soon to be inducted into army service. Dave Cannaviona, assistant chief ranger, also leaves soon for army service, as also does Leonard Johnson, a member of the office force at headquarters. Mrs. Johnson expects to work in Kalispell after he leaves.

Carr Clide Jr 23 Nov 1942 pg 4

Information has been received here that Clide Carr, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clide Carr of Kalispell, has been promoted to First Lieutenant in the Chemical Division. He is at Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Cassell Lloyd 12 Oct 1942 pg 2

A cablegram from Lloyd Cassell in Australia brought word to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cassell, that he had received baptism at the Baptist cathedral. The rites were conducted by the army chaplain.

Caton Douglas 31 Dec 1942 pg 4

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Caton have received word from their son, Douglas Caton, that he has been promoted to sergeant. He is stationed at Tampa, Florida. They also have two other sons in service, Ross Caton in New Guinea, and Mayne Caton, who is in Ajo, Arizona. All three are in the Army air corps.

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Chaffin Floyd R 2 Oct 1942 pg 4

Floyd R. Chaffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Chaffin, former residents of Kalispell, but now living in Spokane, has been commissioned a second lieutenant at the army air force advanced flying school at Mather Field, California. Floyd, a nephew of Earl Fuller of this city, has completed 15 weeks of intensive study in aerial navigation and has been assigned to active duty with the army air force. Floyd is a graduate of Flathead county high school, and he attended Eastern Washington College of Education. He was employed by Boeing Aircraft company before enlisting.

Chaffin Raymond 23 Jan 1942 pg 4

RAYMOND CHAFFIN IS TRANSFERRED TO BAKERSFIELD

Word has been received here that Raymond Chaffin, formerly of Kalispell, enlisted last week with the Army Air corps at Spokane and has been transferred for flight training to Bakersfield, California.

Raymond graduated from Flathead county high school in 1939 and for the past two years has been attending normal college at Cheney, Washington. He is a nephew of Earl Fuller of Kalispell.

Chagun Curtis 18 May 1942 pg 3

Curtis Chagun left Friday for Missoula where he will be inducted into the army.

Chagun Vernon C 14 May 1942 pg 5

Of the 35 selectees sent to Missoula Wednesday morning by the local Selective Service Board only seven were accepted for induction into the army. They were Thomas L. Lockhart, Cecil R. Ripley, Vernon C. Chagun, Karlis S. A. DeBarth, Merrill R. Hastings, LeRoy O. Shanor and Theodore E. Holmquist.

Chapman Austin 30 Mar 1942 pg 5

Austin Chapman of Kalispell is now in the U. S. Air Corps and is stationed at Denver.

Chapman Fred M 30 Mar 1942 pg 5

Fred Chapman of this city, is now in Salt Lake City, where he has enlisted in the Navy.

Chrest Amy 26 Sep 1942 pg 5

TWO MONTANA GIRLS QUIT JOBS TO JOIN WITH WAACS

Helena, Sept. 25—(AP)—Miss Amy Chrest and Miss Jessie Hays, both of Helena, were inducted into the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps in Butte as specialists in secretarial work.

They are awaiting orders to report to Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to begin basic training.

Miss Chrest, who has been employed by the internal revenue department here for the past two and a half years, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chrest of Columbia Falls.

Miss Hays has been a stenographer at the Montana Taxpayers association office here for more than six years. Her mother, Mrs. John T. Hays, lives in Bozeman.

Childers Mickey 24 Mar 1942 pg 5

Mickey Childers is in the city visiting at the home of Mrs. Laura Jennings. Mr. Childers was recently discharged from the navy due to disabilities received in the engagement at Pearl Harbor. He has been visiting relatives at Havre the past week.

Chrisinger Cecil 16 Feb 1942 pg 5

Cecil Chrisinger arrived Sunday from Washington, D. C., for a few days' visit with his parents and friends. He will leave soon for the coast where he will be inducted into the service.

Christenson Edward 20 Jul 1942 pg 5

Private Edward Christenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Christenson, of Somers, was graduated recently from an intensive course in aviation mechanics at Shoppard Field, near Wichita Falls, Tex., which is one of the many Army Air force technical training command schools which trains ground crews.

Christianson Arvid 24 Jul 1942 pg 5

Arvid Christianson left last Friday for Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where he now attends the Weck's Field Flying school. He enlisted and successfully passed all examinations for the Navy Air Corps.

16 Nov 1942 pg 4

Cadet Arvid Christianson and Arthur Simon, both of the Navy Air Corps, have returned to Kalispell for a few days' visit with their parents and friends. They will leave for St. Marys, California, about November 23, where they will continue their training. Both have finished their primary and secondary courses.

Clapper Neil 3 Feb 1942 pg 5

Neil Clapper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Clapper, writes that he is now in the ordnance department at Pearl Harbor.

27 Jul 1942 pg 4

**NEAL R. CLAPPER IS
COMMENDED FOR
WORK AT SUB BASE**

Neil R. Clapper, seaman second class, with the U. S. Navy at Pearl Harbor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clapper of this city, has received a letter of commendation from M. M. Stephens, the commanding officer of the U. S. Submarine Base at Pearl Harbor, for his part in the careful attention that has been given torpedo equipment by the sub base there.

The commanding officer quoted a report of Ordnance stating that the bureau of Ordnance stating that the bureau is "very favorably impressed with the careful attention that has been given and is being given to torpedo equipment by the Submarine Base at Pearl Harbor. This reflects great credit on those responsible for the excellent work being done there."

The letter from the commanding officer to Clapper said in part:

"It is highly gratifying to the Force Commander that your efforts and attention to the overhaul, upkeep, and repair of torpedoes and torpedo equipment have received such favorable comment by the Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance.

"By your initiative and highly commendable work while on duty in the torpedo shop of the Submarine Base Ordnance Department, you have contributed in large measure to the favorable comment received from the Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance."

"The Commanding Officer, Submarine Base, Pearl Harbor, congratulates you and will attach a copy of this commendation to your record."

Clark Bud 17 Jul 1942 pg 5 19 Sep 1942 pg 4

Corporal Bud Clark, who is with the U. S. Air Corps and stationed in South Carolina, has arrived in Kalspell to spend his furlough with the house folks. He is the son of Mrs. K. W. Stenson.

Corporal Bud Clark, son of Mrs. K. W. Stenson, returned to Macon, Georgia, after spending a two weeks' furlough here.

Clark Selmar D 22 Jun 1942 pg 5 13 Oct 1942 pg 7

Private Selmar D. Clark, son of Mrs. K. W. Stenson of Kalspell, was graduated recently from the Chanute Field branch of the Army Air Corps Technical school. Chanute Field is located at Rantoul, Illinois.

Mrs. K. W. Stenson has received a message stating that her son, Private First Class Selmar Clark, has arrived safely at his destination overseas. He is assigned as crew chief on a P-39 pursuit plane.

Closey Rosene 28 Nov 1942 pg 5

A letter from Rosene Closey, private first class, says he is with Company C, Medical Service School, Barracks 10, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was one of a contingent that left here Aug. 21, and there are still five Flathead county boys with him at Fort Sam Houston. They are all in the technical school taking medical training.

He enclosed the following letter, supposed to have been written by a soldier, with the comment that the boys at Fort Sam Houston get a big kick out of it, and he thinks perhaps some of the others in the service might also. Here it is:

Dear Friend: I am one of the fellows who made the world safe for democracy. What a crazy thing that was. I fought and fought, but I had to go anyway. I was killed in class A. The next time I'll go in class B—D here when they go and B here when they come back. I remember the day I registered. I went to the desk and my milkman was in charge. He said, "What's your name?" I said, "Young man, you know my name." "What's your name," he barked, so I told him "August Childs." He said, "Are you an alien?" "No," I replied, "I feel fine." Then he said, "When did you first see the light of day?" I said, "When I moved to Philadelphia from Pittsburgh." He said, "How old are you?" so I told him "twenty-three the first of September," and he said, "The first of September you'll be in Australia, and that will be the last of August."

A veterinarian started to examine me. He asked me if I had ever had measles, smallpox, St. Vitus dance and if I took fits. I said, "No, only when I stay in a saloon too long." Then he said, "Can you see all right?" I said, "Sure, but I'll be cockeyed tonight if I pass. Then he listened around my chest and said, "I think you have a wart somewhere." I said, "Wart, my neck, that's a dutton in your ear." The doctor said that he never examined a more perfect physical wreck. Then he handed me a card—Class A.

Then I went to camp and I guess they didn't think I'd live long. The first fellow wrote on my card, "Flying Corps." I went a little further and some guy said, "Look what the wind's blowing in." I said "Wind nothing, the draft's doing it."

On the second morning they put these clothes on me. What an outfit. As soon as you are in it you think you can lick anything. They have two sizes—too large and too small. The pants are too tight. I can't sit down. The shoes are so big I turned around three times and didn't move. And what a raincoat they gave us. It strained the rain. I passed the officer all dressed up with a fancy belt and all the stuff. He said, cutting after me, "Didn't you notice what I have on?" I said, "Yes, what are you wearing about; look what they gave me."

I landed in camp with \$75. In 15 minutes I was broke. I never saw so many 3's and 12's on a pair of dice. No matter what I did I went broke. Something went wrong with my cards. One time I got five aces and I was afraid to bet. A good thing I did not for the fellow next to me had six kings. Finally I said, "This is a crooked poker game." They said, "We're playing pinocchio."

I saw a guy with a wooden leg and asked him what he was doing in

the army. He said, "I'm going to wash the potatoes."

Three days later we sailed for Australia. Marching down the pier I had some more bad luck. I had a sergeant who stuttered, and it took him a long time to say "Halt" that 27 of us marched overboard. They pulled us out and the captain came along and said "Fall in." I replied, "I have just been in."

Well, we landed in Australia and were immediately sent to the trenches. After three nights in the trenches all the cannon started to roar and the shells started to fall. started to shake with patriotism. I tried to hide behind a tree, but there was only room enough for the officers. The captain came around and said "Five o'clock and we go over the top." I said, "I'd like a fur lough." He asked "Haven't you any red blood in you?" I said, "Yes, but I don't want to see it." He said "Where do you want to go?" I said "Anywhere it's warm." He told me where to go.

Five o'clock and we went over the top. 10,000 Japs came at us. They all looked alike. They looked at me as if I had started the war. Our captain yelled "Fire at will." I didn't know any of their names. I guess the fellow behind me thought I was Will. He fired his gun and shot me in the excitement. On my way to the hospital I asked a fellow where he was taking me. He said "To the morgue." I said, "There is some mistake, I'm not dead." "Lid down," he said, "you're going to the morgue; do you want to make a fool of the doctor?" Finally they put me in the morgue. The nurse came in and—well, that's another story.

Your ATBY Pal,
AUGUST.

Clothier Don

22 Sep 1942 pg 4

FIVE NORTHWESTERN MONTANA MEN ENLIST IN THE NAVY

The following men, having been accepted by local Naval Recruiting Officer G. W. Nelson, left this morning by stage for the main navy recruiting station at Helena for final medical examination and enlistment:

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Trippet took the navy radio technician test and successfully passed and will be enlisted as radio technician, second class.

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Mr. Nelson will be at the Post Office room No. 261 all week except Thursday when he will be in Libby.

Clothier Kenneth

28 Jul 1942 pg 5

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Clothier of Somers have received a cablegram from their son Kenneth stating that he is doing fine. He is with headquarters section of a medical detachment and has been in the service since September, 1940, leaving with the Whitefish medical group. Another son, Stanley J. Clothier, who is a graduate of Flathead County High school, and who enlisted in the Navy in June, is now rated as third class radio technician and is located at Bremerton. He was one of three out of 25 taking examinations at Butte recently who passed.

31 Dec 1942 pg 4

Mr. and Mrs. Asa B. Clothier of Somers were happy to receive a cablegram from their son, P.O.P. Kenneth A. Clothier, who is in the headquarters section in the 163rd Infantry, medical detachment, in Australia, saying: "Love and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all at home. All well, Ken." Kenneth arrived in Australia last March with the Montana national guard.

Clothier Stanley J

31 Dec 1942 pg 4

Stanley J. Clothier, radio technician third class, arrived home Monday evening from Oklahoma for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa B. Clothier of Somers. He left Wednesday morning for Corpus Christi, Texas, where he has been recently assigned for service. On his way he stopped at Missoula and Helena to give messages to five mothers from their sons in the service. Stanley graduated as radio technician at Cordell Hall A. & M. college at Stillwater, Oklahoma, with an average of about 99. His mother and brother, Don, went as far as Great Falls with him, returning home the next day.

Colby Walter E

23 Oct 1942 pg 4

Walter E. Colby, Jr. of Kalispell, who took instructor training at the local air port and went to Mather Field, Calif., has completed his course, and is now rated a first lieutenant. He is now stationed at Las Vegas, Nevada, at a gunnery school for cadets.

Cole Melvin

11 Sep 1942 pg 7

Recent draftees from Somers who were inducted into the medical corps and sent for training to Fort Berkeley, Texas, include Hervey McLeath, Douglas Peterson, Melvin Cole, Alfred Riens, Leonard Lysne, and Arthur Moore.

Collins Forrest 1 Aug 1942 pg 5

Forrest Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Collins of Kalispell, was recently enlisted in the Naval Air Corps at Seattle. He left Friday morning for Miles City, where he was assigned to take C. P. T. training at Elchart Flying Service for two months before being assigned elsewhere.

Combs Robert L 22 Sep 1942 pg 4

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Cooper Eugene 11 Apr 1942 pg 5

Eugene Cooper of the U. S. Navy is here on a ten-day furlough, visiting relatives and friends. He was born and reared in this community. He enlisted in the navy long before the U. S. entered the war.

Corbett Thomas 3 Sep 1942 pg 2

FLATHEAD BOYS AT SAN ANTONIO LEAVE FOR NEW CENTERS

Thomas Corbett of Coram, Kenneth B. Rogstad and Warren L. Palmann of Kalispell, and Bert W. Morris of Whitefish, who have been stationed at the San Antonio, Texas Aviation Cadet Center, are included in a number of cadets who left that station this week to various training centers in the southern states for 27 weeks of intensive training before receiving their wings and commissions in the army air forces.

During their stay at the San Antonio training center these young men completed a program of 55 hours of ground school, 30 hours of military drill and 37½ hours of physical training. Additional studies were in military hygiene and first aid.

Cossette Edward E 29 Jul 1942 pg 5

Edward E. Cossette of Whitefish, who was recently inducted into the army, is now at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Craven Thomas G 21 Sep 1942 pg 5

Mrs. Thos. G. Craven left yesterday for Bellingham, Wash. where she will remain with her aunt, Mrs. Ethel V. McFadden for the duration. Her husband, Thos. V. Craven, left for Fort Douglas Friday to enter the service.

8 Oct 1942 pg 4

Mrs. Thomas Craven has received word that her husband Private Thomas G. Craven, who left Kalispell September 18, is now located at Sheppard Field, Texas. His address is 403 T. S. Squadron, Barracks 362, Sheppard Field, and he will be glad to hear from his many friends in Somers and Kalispell.

12 Dec 1942 pg 5

Mrs. Thomas G. Craven stopped off in Kalispell for a few days to visit relatives and friends enroute to Chicago, to join her husband, Private Thomas G. Craven, who is with the A.A.F.T.C.

Cross Roy 17 Oct 1942 pg 4 12 Dec 1942 pg 4

Roy Cross of The 8-Acre Petrol-
eum plant at the intersection of U.
S. Highway No. 2 and the LaSalle
road, was accepted Friday in the U.
S. Coast Guard at Seattle as a petty
officer, second class specialist, and
has been assigned to Brookings, Ore-
gon, for active duty.

Roy Cross, who is a petty officer,
in the U. S. Coast Guard and at pres-
ent located at Brookings, Oregon, has
charge of a squad of ten men who
do patrol duty along the coast. Re-
cently he had a prominent part in
the rescue of 25 sailors, whose ship
had been wrecked in a storm.

Croswell Wiley 22 May 1942 pg 1 27 Jul 1942 pg 5

Bryan, Croswell Get Their Wings

Announcements were received in
the city Friday morning from the
west coast training center of the U.
S. Army Corps at Williams Field,
Arizona, that Don M. Bryan, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bryan of KallsPELL,
and Wiley Croswell, son of Mr. and
Mrs. E. C. Croswell of Somers, that
both graduated as lieutenants in the
Air Corps Thursday, May 21. Tele-
gram from Don Bryan today states
that they were being transferred to
Sebring, Florida.

Both young men are well known
in KallsPELL and at Missoula, where
they were attending the university
before joining the service last fall.

Lieutenant Wiley Croswell, son
of E. C. Croswell of Somers,
and Lieutenant Donald Bryan, son
of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bryan
of KallsPELL, spent Thursday and
Friday visiting their parents and
friends. They left Saturday morn-
ing by bus for Salt Lake City.
Both are pilots in the U. S. Air
Corps.

Cullveri George 3 Mar 1942 pg 5

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cutvert have
received word that their son, George,
who is in the navy has been trans-
ferred to the Atlantic fleet.

Cusick William F 21 Oct 1942 pg 5 28 Dec 1942 pg 5

William F. Cusick of KallsPELL,
has been accepted for the U. S. Navy,
by Chief Recruiter Ralph W. Eyr-
vold, who has been in the city three
week on recruiting service.

William Cusick left Friday for
Helen, where he will enter service
in the construction unit of the U. S.
Navy.

Cutler David 22 Dec 1942 pg 5

David Cutler, who is radioman on
the flagship Pennsylvania, has ar-
rived to spend Christmas with his
sister, Mrs. Marlon Ford, and family.
He leaves Saturday for San Francis-
co to report back to his ship. David
has been in the service four years
and saw action at Pearl Harbor.
Erwin Cutler, who is turbine oper-
ator at Coulee dam, arrived last
night to spend Christmas in the city.
He will return to his work after the
New Year.