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Wire Recorder Messages Are Actuality

The ideas of "Buck Rogers" are not beyond the realm of actual development, Chester Fields, commercial representative, The Western Union Telegraph Co., Los Angeles, told a joint meeting of Torrance and Redondo Beach Lions Tuesday in the Civic Auditorium.

In fact, Fields declared, the wire recorder by which the telephone message of a caller who may find that "they do not answer" at the other end of the wire may be registered already is in use in military circles, and soon after the war will find its place in homes and offices.

He said that plane or train to land telephone conversation is an actuality, and that telegraph message delivery in three minutes as far as several thousand miles now is taking place.

Attending the meeting from Redondo Beach were President Lee C. Casteel, Mayor Clyde Marsh, Jack Fitch, Walter Linch, Bill Barclay, Carl Crane, Raleigh Stadler, Glen Moore, T. E. Berensen, Glen Hammack, Harry Fitzgerald, Lee Lynn and Herman Markowitz.

Sgt. Derouin's Unit Is Given Special Review

Sgt. Louie V. Derouin of Torrance, was among the men honored at a special review commemorating the service of those who, through faithful performance of their duties, have supported the combat fliers of the 445th Bombardment Group in the course of 280 bombing missions during the past 17 months in England.

The 445th Bombardment Group has been cited by Major Gen. William E. Kepner, commanding general, Second Air Division, for "distinguished and outstanding performance of duty."

Sergeant Derouin is the son of Mrs. A. Derouin of this city. His wife, Mrs. L. V. Derouin, lives at east 74th st., Los Angeles.

Lindsey Now in Red Arrow Unit On Luzon Isle

Pvt. Walter G. Lindsey, son of Mrs. Dessie F. Lindsey, Hawthorne, has been assigned to the 32nd "Red Arrow" Infantry Division now fighting on Luzon.

In the service since July, 1944, Lindsey trained at Camp Hood, Texas, before shipping to the Philippines. He has reason to be proud of his new organization. The infantrymen in this unit have seen action in six major engagements in the past 37 months and hold the Distinguished Unit Badge for their performance in the bloody Buna Battle.

Lindsey's wife, Mrs. Mamie M. Lindsey, lives on W. Torrance blvd., Torrance.

Chester Cheney Home on Furlough From Pearl Harbor

Marine Corporal Chester W. Cheney, member of a Marine guard company at Pearl Harbor for 29 months, is at home on furlough.

The corporal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester S. Cheney of 26416 Ozone ave., Lomita.

SERVICEMEN VISIT

Cyril Mosher, a Seaman 2/c, and Kenneth Mullins, Seaman 2/c of Wichita Falls, Tex., were recent weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Mosher of C.C.M.O.

J. L. Pope Wins New Decoration Flying 'Hump'

Flying with the India China Division, U. S. Army Air Transport Command, Pfc. James L.



PFC. J. L. POPE

Pope, aerial radio operator, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster for his Air Medal, it was announced by Brig. Gen. William H. Turner, commander general of the Air Transport Command Base, India.

Pfc. Pope, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pope, 2085 Lomita blvd., has been awarded the Air Medal, the Flying Cross, and two Oak Leaf Clusters. The recent award was made for the period of service from October, 1944 to February, 1945, upon completion of 450 hours of operational flight in transport aircraft over the dangerous and difficult India-China air route, where enemy interception and attack was probable and expected.

The air trail over the Hump, famed route through the towering peaks of the Himalaya Mountains, blazed by the Air Transport Command, is recognized by airmen as the world's toughest. Today the Hump route is the main lifeline of vital military supplies for the Allied forces fighting the Japanese in China.

The citation accompanying the award adds:

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Woodburn Gets Second Cluster To Air Medal

Sgt. James Woodburn, attached to the 8th Air Force Bomber station in England, a waist gunner of Fuddlin's Pride, a B-17 Flying Fortress, has been awarded a second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while taking part in 8th Air Force bombing attacks on vital German industrial targets and on Nazi military strong points prior to V-E Day.

Sgt. Woodburn is a member of the Third Air Division, that received a unit citation for its historic England to Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt air craft factories at Regensburg, Germany. Flying in what was considered the toughest theatre of aerial warfare he has helped his bomber fight its way through severe enemy opposition to attack such objectives as chemical works at Weilsbaden, the marshalling yards at Nurnberg and airfields at Munich, Germany. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Woodburn, 2066 Carson st.

DEANE IS LIBERATED

William A. Deane, a gunner on a B-17, who was taken prisoner on his first mission in August, 1943, in a recent message to his mother, told her that he is well and with the American troops. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Deane of Inglewood and formerly of this city.

EXPECTED HOME

S/Sgt. Roy Hayes is expected home about June 15, according to his mother, Mrs. Irene Blum, who says her son has enough points to warrant an honorable discharge.

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