

MERCHANT MARINE VETERAN FLIES CAP CADETS--Wayne M. Waldo, formerly a Flight Leader in the Alabama Wing of CAP and now on duty with the Merchant Marine, is spending precious time during periods of leave at home to give orientation flights to CAP cadets. A pilot with 100 hours of time logged on CAP missions, he writes at sea, "I am proud of CAP and the way the fellows have worked to make it tick properly."

This is the spirit that makes CAP tick. The real sacrifice that men such as this have put into CAP should make us realize what our organization means and should make us want to work a little harder to build the kind of an organization that men like this will want to return to when they come home.

AID TO STATE GUARD--The Maine Wing was recently commended by Brig. Gen. George M. Carter, Adjutant General of the State, for cooperation with week-end maneuvers of the Guard and particularly for communications work by radio units of the Wing, "which service has been of the highest order".

GUNNER SAVED BY CAP RECOVERING--Jimmy Wilson of Jacksonville, Fla., the 18-year-old waist gunner who was the sole survivor of a bomber crash in Vermont a few weeks ago and was found unconscious in the snow by a CAP search party, is on the way to recovery in the hospital at Westover Field. In a letter to Robert Ladd, a young CAP member who was among the rescuers, young Wilson said:

"The nurse is writing this letter for me since I am unable to use either of my hands. My condition has improved a bit since I was up on your mountain. It will be a long time before I'll be completely well but this will give me a rest till I get back to flying." (Burlington, Vt., Free Press.)

CLOTHING FLOWN TO EXPLOSION AREA--On Oct. 24, the Saginaw Squadron of CAP received an emergency call for clothing for the relief of victims of the disastrous gas works explosion in Cleveland. The local radio station, WSAM cooperated in broadcasting appeals. After the first announcement, the phone began to ring within 4 minutes and two phones were busy all evening in receipt of calls from generous citizens. CAP members were out making pick-ups till long after midnight. Next morning four CAP planes and also a truck and trailer, donated by a Saginaw firm, left for Cleveland loaded with clothing. On the next day, additional flights were made with warm garments, mainly overcoats.

LOST HUNTER FOUND--Luther W. Aurand, a St. Paul real estate salesman, lost in the woods on a hunting trip last month, was spotted by a CAP plane after he had been missing for 24 hours. John Barnes, the CAP pilot, dropped food. Later the hunter was brought out by an Indian guide. (St. Paul, Minn., Dispatch)

BEAVER SURVEY--Capt. Norman F. Kramer, commanding the Alamosa Squadron, CAP flew a member of the State Wildlife Commission on a 2-day survey of beaver dams. They flew along mountain streams, estimating beaver population. The survey produced better results at a cost of \$200 than was formerly achieved by 3 men on horseback covering the area in 3 months.

CAP CADETS AID NIGHT LANDING--A commercial pilot with two charter passengers were saved from a forced landing at night by the alertness of four CAP Cadets at Rocky Mount, N. C. Sgt. Ralph Gardner heard the plane circling. The three others contacted him. Deciding that the plane was in distress, they called the airport but the beacon did not come on. So Cadet Roy Evans called the night watchman at a nearby asphalt plant to drive over and light the runway with his auto lights. The plane landed safely and the cadets arrived soon afterwards to drive the pilot and passengers to a hotel in town.

CAP WEEK--Many Wings and local units of CAP have conducted "CAP week" in their areas to acquaint citizens with the work of the Patrol, to recruit senior and cadet members, to enlist instructors and others of special talent, and to gain general support and cooperation. Often such weeks have been officially designated in proclamations by Governors and Mayors.

A recent proclamation by Mayor K. A. Allen of Ontario, Oregon, noted that December 1st was the third anniversary of CAP and pointed out the record of the local CAP unit in furnishing 2 base commanders, 3 pilots, 2 radio officers, and an office worker for active duty on Coastal Patrol and Army Courier. He urged the citizens of the community to assist CAP members in the furtherance of their work.

BOND DRIVE--CAP units throughout the country are backing the current war bond drive by flying over bond rallies, offering free plane rides to bond purchasers, marching in parades, and otherwise cooperating with local campaigns in every possible way.

In Buffalo, N. Y., according to the Buffalo News, military and civilian leaders participated in Civil Air Patrol Day at Lafayette Square. The Air Cadet League of Canada, which is operating a program similar to our own CAP cadets and to the Air Training Corps in England, cooperated by sending the 202d Squadron of Canadian Air Cadets with their band.

At Brainard Field in Connecticut, according to the Hartford Courant, there were traffic jams at a show which featured free plane rides by CAP, as well as flights of Army planes. \$38,200 in bonds were sold.

The Harrisburg, Pa., News reports that \$3,050 in bonds were sold in one morning with the incentive of CAP plane rides in which the youngest passenger was 4 years of age and the oldest was 75.

All this builds interest in aviation and in CAP as well as doing the main job of selling bonds.

CAP CADETS MAP LANDING STRIPS--"Survey of the land within a 30-mile radius of the Peoria Municipal Airport is now being completed by the local Squadron of Civil Air Patrol," according to the Peoria, Ill., Journal-Transcript. "The survey is to locate potential landing strips in the interest of projects for postwar planning.

"These landing strips are 'L' shaped and are located along prominent highways. They will be 2,500 to 3,000 feet long and at least 100 feet wide. The project will give training to more than 100 CAP cadets now in the Peoria Squadron. Adjoining Squadrons will participate in similar projects."

(See notes about Mapping projects in CAP News Bulletin No. 33.)

PARENTS OF CADETS--The inviting of parents of CAP cadets at least once a month to see their youngsters at work is paying big dividends in friendship, community support, and satisfaction in showing a job well done. Well organized drill and training sessions can be of absorbing interest to onlookers throughout an evening or an afternoon.

One of the Los Angeles Squadrons has marked off a concrete floor like an airport. A member with a model plane in one hand and a portable mike in the other goes through the procedure of calling the tower and maneuvers the little plane through take-offs and landings, while another member plays the role of tower operator. All can be heard on a loud speaker.

At Lantana Airport in Florida, according to the West Palm Beach Post, visiting parents were offered free plane and jeep rides.