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Somewhere in New Guinea
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Members of the staff and students of good old Northern:

Just a word of appreciation in regards to your effort to send each former member of Northern's student body now in the service a copy of the "News". I am sure each and every one of us really enjoy reading the paper and recalling our past experiences.

I received the October 22nd issue this evening, after it had followed me all the way from Camp Roberts, California, through various army post-offices, and finally ending up at APO 929. I left the states in May of '42, and if my memory has not failed me (always a topic of razzing and much good natured ribbing here in the tropics), I received your first service issue in the later part of July. Since then I have received the paper quite regularly, although it seems I never did stay in one place long enough to receive two copies at the same address. However, after seeing the greater part of Australia, I finally settled down in New Guinea the first part of Sept. and have been quite stationary since. Have always meant to send you people in the good old U. P. a letter of thanks, but never could get the proper inspiration.

I have heard that there are a number of Northern grads in this area, but I have as yet to meet one of them. I missed Dave Finnegan when he went through our place, not knowing at that time that he was with the organization until I found a fellow from my home who told me all about it. Also hear that "Pug" Vetort is doing a fine job with the Air Corp in the SWPA.

Have had the opportunity to see a part of the world which I studied while in Mr. McCollum's and Dr. Halverson's geography courses. Found things to be quite similiar to the mental picture I had drawn while pursuing the subjects. The one exception was New Guinea; I knew just about nothing regarding the place. I now have a slight amount of first hand information about the island.

My heartiest thanks for the "News" and best wishes for many more successful years of publication.

Sincerely

Hilmer "Doc" Grantz