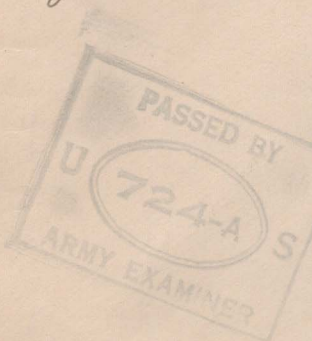


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Dear Northern News:

I have been receiving copies of the school paper for some time and I have finally decided that I should show my appreciation by writing to thank you for them.

I'm sorry I can't tell you where I am, but I might say that I am using English money which was very peculiar to use at first. Censorship prevents me from not only telling you where I am at present but also where I have been in the past; however, if you will recall Ralph Bergstroms' letter which was printed in the school paper of September 24th, you will probably remember that he mentions having a telephone conversation with me "back there". That was a most beautiful country! I visited many historic and scenic points of interest during my eight months stay in that wonderland.

I am sending a copy of the army paper published at Area H Headquarters which has a special column that portrays the natural surroundings in an interesting manner. I cannot place my return address on the paper, but on the first page of this issue you will notice an article about that famous comedian Billy Gilbert who will visit here soon.

I was drafted into the army in August, 1941 and placed in the Medical Corps. After three months of training I was assigned to an Observation Squadron. At the present time I am a laboratory technician. As you know, malaria is very prevalent in the tropics so I spend a lot

of time using the microscope to look for malaria parasites which are found in the red blood cells of the body.

Being interested in biology I have taken frequent hikes into the jungles which are so very thick with clinging vines, thorny palms, etc., that we often used a machete in order to venture off the trails. These trails were made by natives and also by Infantry men while in training. It seems that everything in the jungle struggles for existence and we see the survival of the fittest before us. This is truly a biologist's paradise. I have spent many hours studying iguanas, lizards, and other reptiles as well as birds, and insects.

I noticed that the annual pasty feed was featured at the Mens' Get-Together. Would I like to bite into one of those tasty wonders once again? And how!

I'm hoping that Northern has ended their football season with much success, and also hope that they have a very successful basketball season.

I am always happy to receive the school paper to find out where the ex-Northernites are at present and also what is going on back at Northern. Thanks again for the papers.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence J. Negro