Army Air Forces Bid Farewell to St. Petersburg, Say Citizens Played Big Part in Post's Success

The citizens of this community have aided in making that possible to a great extent. The efforts of the officers of the post in that achievement have been bolstered by the important task of maintaining morals, which task the people of this city gladly took up and carried through faithfully, spiritually, excellently.

There are laurels due the people of St. Petersburg for that part which they played in the one year training center here was meeting the demand of the AAF for more men, strong men, well-disciplined and well-trained men.

Looking back over the 12 months past, the commanding officer of the post, Col. Henry B. Clegget, has this to say:

"We experience a surge of pleasant feeling when we can look upon a completed task and say that's a job well done."

"Although our work as men in the service of our country is far from being finished, I feel sure that I can say for all the personnel of this post, as well as for myself, that we have experienced that feeling of satisfaction of a task well done as the inauguration of Basic Training Center No. 6 takes place.

"The orders have been carried out, the job has been done, the purpose of the training center has been realized. The people of St. Petersburg helped to do that. Their great spirit of co-operation and initiative helped us no little."

"Thank you, St. Petersburg.

The local station originally was established as a replacement training center and on Aug. 7 the name of the installation was changed to Basic Training Center.

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Patterson Says Sicilian Fall 'Matter of Days'  

More about Air Forces  

ChiOMA - (AP) - Some eastern commanders of the Allied forces, including Gen. Mark W. Clark, have termed the Sicilian campaign a "matter of days."  

Hour of Doom Approaches for Japs on Kiska  

WINDSOR (AP) - In a development that may bring a change in the war situation, the Japanese were said to be fighting a desperate rearguard action on the small Aleutian island of Kiska, which is scheduled as next month's objective for the American forces.  

Pinatubo Natives Shun Clothes, Play Cricket  

WASHINGTON - Pinatubo, a mountain island of large villages and fertile valleys, is being settled by Japanese-speaking farmers from the Philippines, who were driven from their homes by the Japanese occupation.  

Negro May Lose Sight of Eye in Altercation  

Los Angeles - (AP) - A Negro truck driver was accidentally blinded in one eye when he was knocked against a window and fell from a moving vehicle.  

Fishermen Plan Union Meeting Monday Night  

Fishing boats are expected to stage a meeting in support of the national fishermen's union, which is currently organizing a boycott of the local market.  

OPEN ALL SUMMER  

The Sylvan Dining Room of the Hotel Detroit  

A Lucky Purchase or a Big Mistake?  

BELLEVILLE, MI - A Belleville woman, who was shopping for a house for her son, and who bought a house for $12,500, was told by a neighbor that the house was worth only $5,000.  

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