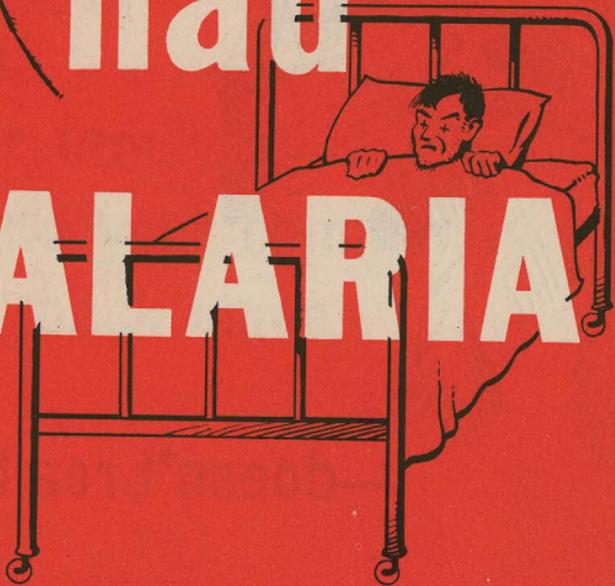


So  
you've  
had

**MALARIA**



You're **HOME** now . . .

So where you **GOT** your **MALARIA**

**CHINA . . .**

**BURMA . . .**

**INDIA . . .**

the **SOUTH PACIFIC . . .**

**PHILIPPINES . . .**

**MALAYA . . .**

**NORTH AFRICA . . .**

**ITALY . . .**

the **MEDITERRANEAN**  
or the **CARIBBEAN**

—doesn't really matter!

But—

where you **TAKE** it . . .

and how you

**TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF**

does matter . . . a lot . . .

to you,

your family,

and your community

back home.

This booklet is designed to help you—and to prevent, as far as possible, any spread of **MALARIA** in your community that might be caused by your return.

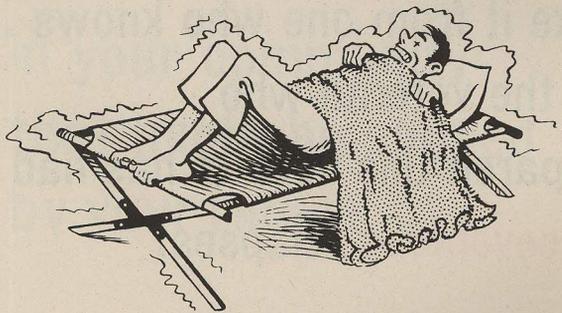
**READ IT CAREFULLY!**

It's important to **YOU** and your **FAMILY**



Take it from one who knows . . .  
the veteran who prepared this booklet has had **seventeen** relapses!

No one need tell you about  
**MALARIA**  
**YOU'VE HAD IT**

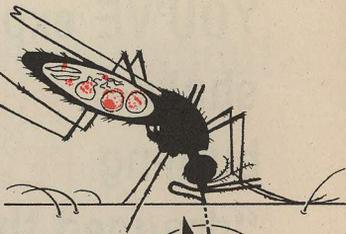
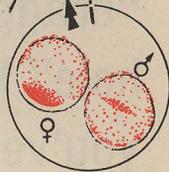


**YOU'VE** experienced the  
shaking **CHILLS** . . . the  
burning **FEVER** . . . and that  
“dragged through a knot-  
hole” feeling every time  
you’ve had an attack . . .

. . . and if you’ve had very  
many **RELAPSES** you’ve  
learned to dread them.

A MALARIA MOSQUITO BITING THIS CARRIER

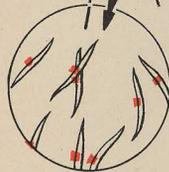
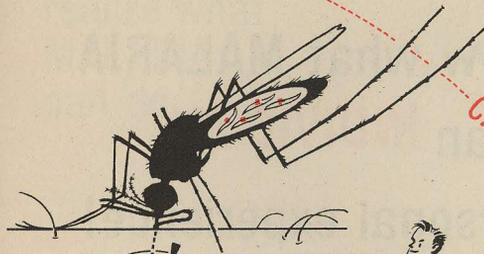
MALARIA CARRIER



IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS

CAN INFECT THIS NEW VICTIM

NEW VICTIM



You already know that **MALARIA** is caused by a microscopic parasite spread by **ANOPHELES MOSQUITOES**

Even though you feel well **YOU** may carry these parasites in your blood **NOW!** Thus you may still be a **MALARIA CARRIER**

YOU know what **MALARIA**  
does to an **INDIVIDUAL**  
from personal experience!

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Multiply this several thousand  
times for a **COMMUNITY** . . .  
and several hundred times  
more for a **COUNTY** or **STATE**.

*Then*

You'll begin to  
realize what  
**MALARIA**  
can do . . .



**SICK PEOPLE**  
**DOCTORS BILLS**  
**POOR HOUSING**  
**LOWERED RESISTANCE TO DISEASE**  
**REDUCED INCOME**  
**POOR CROPS**  
**LOWERED STANDARD OF LIVING**  
**DECADENT COMMUNITY**

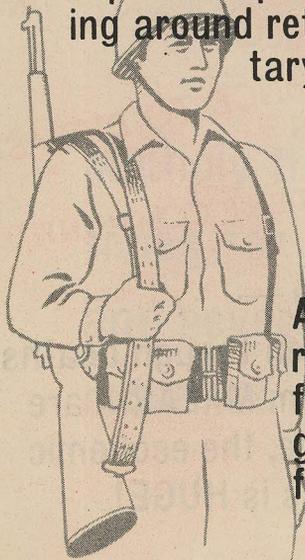


*So —*  
Even though death  
from **MALARIA** are  
rare, the economic  
loss is **HUGE!**

WAR BETWEEN THE STATES  
1861-1865

**MALARIA**

After two of our major wars  
**MALARIA** has flared up in  
explosive epidemics center-  
ing around returning mili-  
tary carriers.



SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR  
1898

**MALARIA**

As servicemen are  
returning with **MALARIA**  
from every corner of the  
globe, the danger **NOW** is  
far more acute.

In the South, these carriers  
may again introduce the  
disease into areas where it  
has been almost eliminated.

. . . In the North, where the  
proper mosquito is often found  
in large numbers, introducing  
the parasite may start local  
epidemics of the disease.

*Let's prevent it this time!*



WORLD WAR II.  
1941-1945

**?**

# How will **MALARIA** affect

# my future health?

Will I have

*more attacks*  
OF **MALARIA**?

You may! **MALARIA** is a disease which may come back again and again without reinfection. **RELAPSES** are easily confused with other diseases, so check with your doctor.

Will atabrine or quinine

*cure* the disease?

Prompt treatment with atabrine or quinine relieves symptoms rapidly and stops the progress of the disease . . . But **NO** treatment is known that will **PREVENT** the recurrence of **MALARIA** in all individuals after treatment is stopped.

*How long*

will I continue to have relapses?

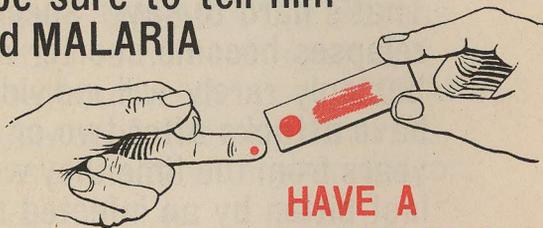
That's hard to say. Successive relapses become shorter and milder but only rarely will individuals have attacks after two or three years from the time they were last bitten by an infected mosquito.

Will **MALARIA** cause *lasting damage*?

Deaths due to **MALARIA** are rare. Most attacks, when properly treated, are so brief that they do not cause any lasting damage or permanent incapacitation.

# What can I do to protect myself and my family from MALARIA?

First of all . . .  
**SEE A DOCTOR** if you are sick  
. . . and be sure to tell him  
you've had **MALARIA**

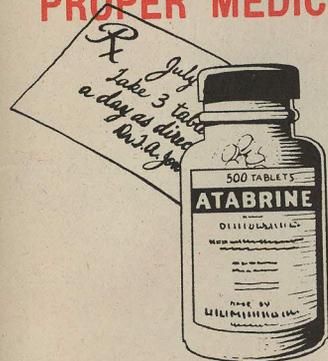


**HAVE A  
BLOOD SMEAR  
MADE**



A blood smear is  
the only sure way  
to tell whether or  
not you have  
**MALARIA!**

**BE SURE TO GET  
PROPER MEDICAL ATTENTION!**



Prompt and adequate  
treatment will not only  
aid in your **RECOVERY**,  
but will also **DECREASE**  
the chances of mos-  
quitoes becoming infected  
if they bite you.

**MALARIA** parasites may remain in your  
blood for several years—to flare up  
in occasional relapses, so—**DON'T BE A  
BLOOD DONOR** without informing the  
doctor that you've had **MALARIA**.

# AVOID BEING BITTEN



Take every precaution—  
not only when you are **SICK**,  
which is most important—  
but at other times as well.



**STAY BEHIND SCREENS**  
**AFTER DARK**  
Don't expose yourself  
when malaria mosquitoes  
**BITE!**

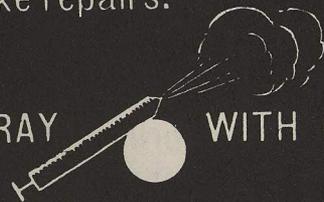
# BY MOSQUITOES!



Be sure  
your house is  
adequately  
**SCREENED.**  
Make repairs.

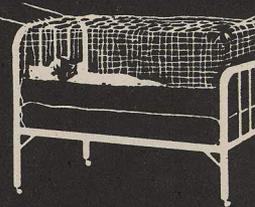


**SPRAY**



**WITH INSECTICIDE**

... and if you do  
come down with a  
relapse, use a  
**BED NET** at night  
so mosquitoes won't  
pick up your **MALARIA.**





While you are taking all these personal precautions—many of which you learned overseas—**STATE** and **LOCAL** health departments are helping too!

They've set up a control program to help prevent any spread of **MALARIA** that might result from large numbers of servicemen, like yourself, bringing back **MALARIA** to this country.

They're depending a lot on the new insecticide **DDT** which you probably saw in action overseas.

So, if your home is in one of the treated areas of the South, help all you can in this attempt to prevent the spread of **MALARIA** from returning servicemen like yourself.

Sprayed on walls of houses, it kills infected mosquitoes that rest on them, thus helping to prevent the spread of **MALARIA**.



YOU'VE had MALARIA.  
You know what it  
does, and you're in  
a position to help.

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YOU can do more for your  
friends than professional  
health workers can . . . if you  
pass this information on,  
and urge individuals and  
local communities to help  
control ANOPHELES MOSQUITOES  
and MALARIA.

With new INSECTICIDES for  
control of mosquitoes, improved  
TREATMENT, increased PUBLIC  
ATTENTION to the malaria problem,  
and full COOPERATION of everyone  
concerned, the disease may be  
DRIVEN FROM THE UNITED STATES.

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*So* — Let's continue the fight,  
but this time  
against

**MALARIA**

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