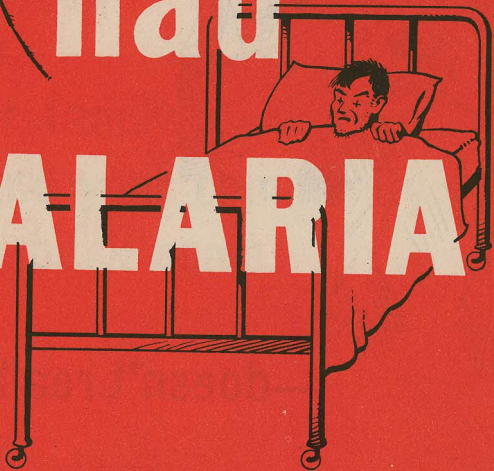


So
you've
had

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.

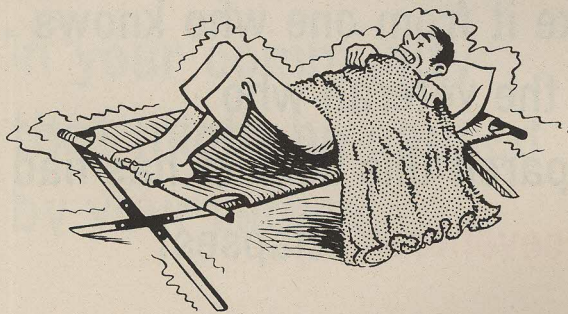
READ IT CAREFULLY!

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

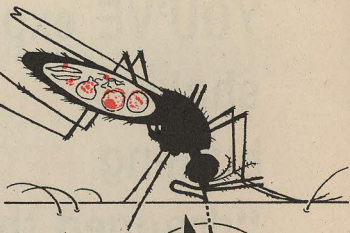
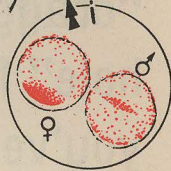


YOU'VE experienced the shaking **CHILLS** . . . the burning **FEVER** . . . and that “dragged through a knot-hole” feeling every time you’ve had an attack . . .

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

A MALARIA MOSQUITO BITING THIS CARRIER

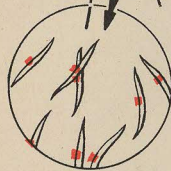
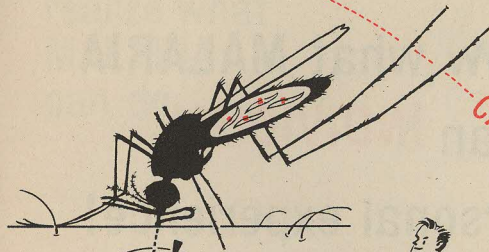
MALARIA CARRIER



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**

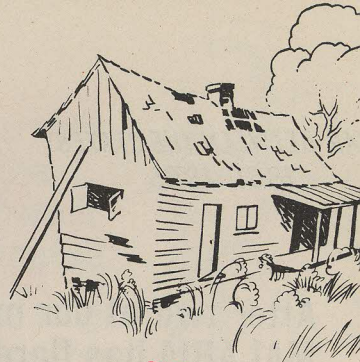
YOU know what **MALARIA**
does to an **INDIVIDUAL**
from personal experience!

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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 COMMUNITIES



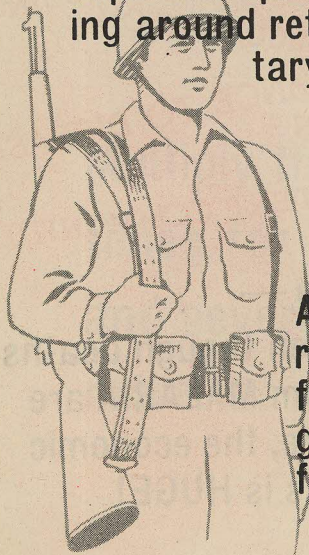
So —

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

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

MALARIA

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

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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.

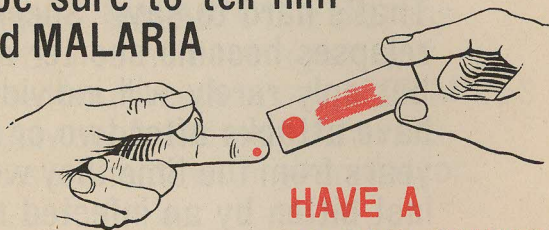
Will **MALARIA** cause *lasting damage?*

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**

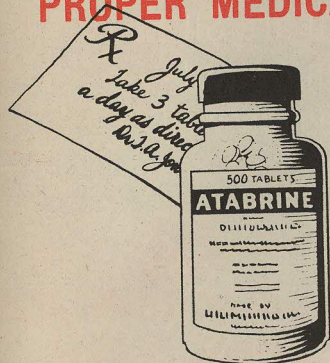


**HAVE A
BLOOD SMEAR
MADE**



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!

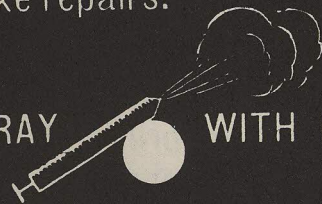
BY MOSQUITOES!



Be sure
your house is
adequately
SCREENED.
Make repairs.

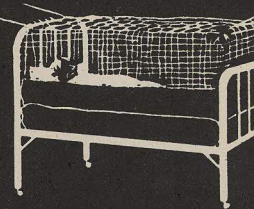


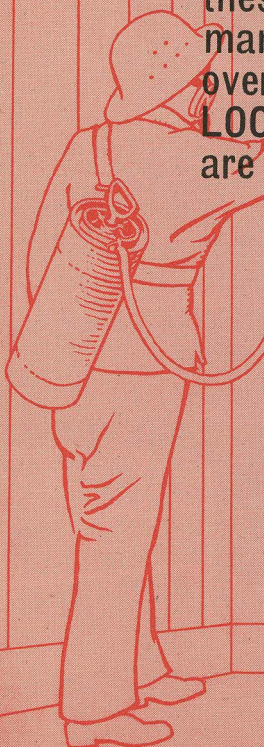
SPRAY



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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