

# **ADT – OUR FOLKS IN THE SERVICE**

**An Excel workbook documenting the names of  
all ADT associates who served in World War 2**

**Compiled from an ADT newsletter of the same name  
published from 1942 to 1945, *ADT – Our Folks in the Service*  
consolidates into a single document the names of all ADT  
associates who answered the call of their country and served  
in the United States Military during World War 2.**

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# THE “ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE” PROJECT

## INTRODUCTION

### ABOUT ADT®

**ADT®** is a registered trademark of **ADT, LLC**. The company was founded in 1874 and is currently headquartered in Boca Raton, FL. In the early days, the formal company name was ***The American District Telegraph Company***. Over the years it operated as ***The A.D.T. Company***, ***ADT Security Systems***, ***ADT Security Services***, ***Tyco Integrated Security***, and most recently as just **ADT**. Today’s **ADT** is an industry leading security services provider.

All references to **ADT** in this project refer to ***The A.D.T. Company***, which was the operating name of the organization throughout the World War 2 years.

### WELCOME

The **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE** project documents the names of ADT associates who left the company to serve in the military during World War 2. A **Microsoft Excel** workbook was developed. It contains the names of all employees identified in ***OUR FOLKS IN THE SERVICE***, an **ADT** company newsletter published at regular intervals throughout the World War 2 years.

The entire project consisted of: 1) developing a workbook documenting all names found in the newsletters; and 2) scanning a copy of each newsletter and saving them in a PDF format. The workbook, newsletters and this document can be downloaded from the following web site: <http://www.treasurecoasthams.com/adt-folks-in-the-service>. (Don’t mind the web site content (or lack thereof. The web site is a ham radio project under construction at this time.)

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

More than anything else, the **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE** project is a labor of love. Allow me to explain.

You see, in my early days working for ADT I had a couple of co-workers who had served in the military during World War 2. You can’t begin to imagine my excitement when I found their names noted in newsletter articles.

I’ll bet there are other ADT retirees (and also non-ADT folks) who had a relative or friend who worked for ADT during the World War 2 years. Wouldn’t it be nice if they could find a story or article about that person? It was that thought that convinced me to tackle the project.

If you had an ancestor, relative, co-worker or friend who worked for ADT at the onset of World War 2 and subsequently left the company to join the armed forces, then this compilation is for you. If you are as lucky as I was, you may find a story or reference to your friend or relative in one of the newsletters.

## **PERSERVING THE NEWSLETTERS**

The newsletters may be somewhat of a rarity. According to the National World War 2 Museum in New Orleans, ADT was one of the few companies to document the activities of their former employees who were called to serve in the military. The museum further commented they have no similar documents in their collection, and are not aware of any publications from other companies describing employee war-time activities.

At a future date I intend to donate the newsletter originals to a museum. No specific museum has been selected to date. Should a reader have a suggestion, please send an email to [folksintheservice@gmail.com](mailto:folksintheservice@gmail.com).

## **IMPORTANT NOTES**

**Support** - There is no support available for the **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE.xlsx** workbook. It is being provided **FREE** and **AS-IS**. The contents were developed using **Microsoft Excel** on a **Windows 11** computer. It has not been tested under other operating systems, or with any third-party spreadsheet applications. Nor has it been tested on phones or tablets.

The workbook was developed using very basic **Excel** features. Anyone with minimal knowledges of **Excel** should have no difficulty understanding the design. Should you find something that doesn't work right, don't call us. Just go ahead and make the necessary changes to fix it.

**No Warranty** – **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE** is the personal work of the author. At the urging of family and friends I've decided to make the project available to anyone with an interest in World War 2 history. Obviously, no warranty of any kind is provided or implied. Use the workbook at your own risk.

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# OUR FOLKS IN THE SERVICE

## A WORLD WAR 2 NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN DISTRICT TELEGRAPH COMPANY (A.D.T.)

### About the Newsletter

*Our Folks in The Service* was a newsletter published periodically during the World War 2 years by *The American District Telegraph Company*, often abbreviated as *The A.D.T. Company*.

*The A.D.T. Company* was established in 1874. Some sources I've seen claim the year was actually 1873, but that's a discussion for another day. Over the years the company name eventually simplified to just **ADT**. Today, ADT is recognized as a leader in the security industry.

*Our Folks in The Service* was published from 1942 to 1945. To the best of this author's knowledge, a total of 24 issues were published. During the first year of publication, issues were published at irregular intervals. Later issues were published at monthly or bi-monthly intervals.

The newsletters were likely intended as a morale booster. Each issue included stories highlighting the activities and locations of deployed ADT associates. The intended audience included both the families of deployed associates, and staff at local ADT offices. There are also indications that the newsletter was mailed to deployed associates when postal addresses were known.

This writer's *Our Folks in The Service* collection is lacking two issues from being complete. Should anyone have copies, I would appreciate receiving a scan of volume 1, issue 1 and volume 3, issue 3. And, should issues exist after volume 4, issue 4, dated July-August, 1945, scans of those issues would also be appreciated. Should any of the missing issues come into my possession I will update this project to reflect the additional material.

### About the Author

My name is Robert Brown. I grew up in the Kensington area of Philadelphia and graduated from Frankford High School. I am retired and currently reside in southeast Florida.

A few months after graduating from high school, I started working for ADT in Philadelphia. My first day of service was January 2, 1964. I reported for the midnight shift and worked as a Night Watch signal timer. I retired from ADT some 50 years later.

My father also worked for ADT for 36 years before he retired. For some years our service overlapped. We both worked in the Philadelphia central station. For several years, dad served as the 8 AM to 4 PM shift supervisor, while I worked as shift supervisor on the 4 PM to 12 midnight shift. My dad spent his entire career in the Philadelphia Central Station, while I worked in several different cities.

My early ADT career was in the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Camden (NJ) central stations. In January, 1980 I transferred into the Engineering Department in New York City. I spent the remainder of my career in Engineering.

### **About this Project**

A few months ago while clearing out some old files I came upon the ***Our Folks in the Service*** newsletters. After reading a few issues from late in the war, I felt like I was looking through a window into history. The stories presented a human perspective to many of the World War 2 events and battles we find documented in history books. Fascinating reading indeed!

Further, to my surprise I spotted a few names that I recognized from my early days with the company. That started me thinking that perhaps other old timers like myself would enjoy reading about the experiences of their co-workers from years ago, or perhaps even their father or grandfather who worked for the company in the early 1940's and was called off to fight the war. I was hooked, and the project began.

### **The Project Plan**

After some thought I identified two challenges:

1. First, the newsletters have historical significance and identify many ADT associates by name. And second, discussion with the National World War 2 museum in New Orleans revealed that virtually no documentation exists today that was published by the American industrial complex to provide updates on their employees who went off to war. For these reasons alone, the newsletters are somewhat of a rarity and deserve to be preserved.
2. An index of some kind was needed to help a reader or researcher easily find a specific name within the various newsletter issues.

Challenge #1 was easy to accomplish. I scanned each individual page of every newsletter in the highest resolution available on my scanner. I then saved each issue in PDF format.

The scans turned out well. Considering the age and fading of some of the originals, text in the PDFs is sharp and clear, and all issues print well on a basic ink jet printer.

The PDF scans are hosted on the [Treasure Coast Hams web site](#), where they are available for download. At a future date I intend to donate the originals to a library or museum.

Challenge #2 required that I create an index of all names found in every newsletter. To meet this challenge I opted to build a **Microsoft Excel** workbook entitled ***ADT Folks in the Service.xlsx***. Over 3,000 name references were inserted into the various worksheets. To aid in identifying individuals, office and department of the named associates were also included whenever this information was available.

### **In Conclusion**

Japan surrendered on August 15, 1945. The paperwork officially documenting the surrender was signed on September 2, 1945.

It is probable that the July-August, 1945 issue of ***Our Folks in the Service*** was the last issue published. Should any reader of this document have later issues in their possession, the author would appreciate receiving scanned copies so this reference work can be updated.

And repeating a previous request: The author is missing two newsletter issues: volume 1, issue 1 and volume 3, issue 3. If anyone has either copy in their possession and can provide scans it would be greatly appreciated.

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### **Important Reminder**

First things first! Make a backup copy of the workbook before you begin working with it.

Nothing in the workbook is protected. I've left every cell wide open. That means should you find a name spelling error or other deficiency, you can easily apply an update. Just be sure after making updates that you save your changes. I suggest you save your changes under a different file name so as not to confuse your changed version with the original.

When working with the workbook and looking for a particular name or office, the chances are good that at some point you will apply a filter, or use the sort or search features available in **Microsoft Excel**. As most of us have experienced at one time or another, a moment of carelessness in **Excel** can unintentionally corrupt worksheet data. Prevent accidental errors by making a backup of the workbook before you do any editing or searching.

# THE WORKBOOK: *ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE.xlsx*

## Overview

The ***ADT Folks in the Service*** workbook was developed on a Windows 11 computer using **Microsoft (MS) Excel 2010**. It should run on any version of **MS Excel** or third party application that recognizes .xlsx documents. Printing is configured for standard 8.5x11 inch paper in landscape mode. Modify print settings as necessary to fit your environment.

## Contents

The workbook contains 6 worksheets (or tabs). Throughout this documentation I will use the word “tab” to refer to a worksheet. In the first 5 tabs, each row represents a name appearing in an article, story or note in a newsletter. There are almost 2,100 names listed.

Some names appear in multiple newsletter articles. Each appearance results in a separate listing on the worksheets. As a result, the actual number of unique associates identified in the name lists is considerably less than 2,100, probably closer to 700.

For comparison, the sixth worksheet tab, **ADT HONOR ROLL**, contains 994 names. Each listing represents an ADT associate who served in World War 2. There is no duplication, so the **ADT Honor Roll** offers an accurate compilation of almost all ADT associates who served. (Up to 9 names may be missing from this list.) Tab 6 is explained in more detail in later paragraphs.

## About Workbook Tabs 1-5

Tab 1 is named **MASTER LIST**. It is the most important of the first five tabs. It contains a row (or record) for every name reference found in a newsletter article, story or note.

Tab 2, **OFFICE & DEPARTMENT LIST** and tab 3, **NAMES – ALL (ALPHA LIST)** contain identical information as tab 1, with the only difference being the order of presentation.

Tab 4, **NAMES (ADT ONLY)** and tab 5, **NAMES (NON-ADT ONLY)** split the data from tab 3 into two parts. If merged together they would contain identical information to tab 3.

Every row (record) on tabs 1 – 5 includes a reference to the newsletter volume, issue and page where the article or story containing the name can be found. More details about the content of all five tabs will be provided in later paragraphs.

As mentioned previously, tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL**, is different from the other tabs and will be discussed separately.

## **Workbook Tab 1, MASTER LIST**

This tab includes every name reference found in all issues of *Our Folks in the Service*. Names are listed in the order they are found in the newsletters, beginning with page 1 of the first issue and continuing to the last page of the final issue.

The list includes both ADT associates who served and associates who did not serve. Non-ADT persons are also included. If a name is mentioned in a newsletter, you will find it listed.

If there is something unusual or of special interest in an article, a brief comment will often be included in the **NOTES** column. A couple of examples of the types of comments you will find in the notes column include “caught malaria,” and “wounded in combat.”

All non-ADT names will contain the comment “**not ADT**” in the **NOTES** column. Also, the comments associated with non-ADT names will be italicized and enclosed in parenthesis. Example: (*not ADT*). Some non-ADT listings also contain an added note about the person.

The spelling of names, offices and departments are taken directly from the article or listing in the newsletter. In some instances there are spelling conflicts between listings for the same associate name in different newsletter issues. When we can confirm the misspelling with reasonable certainty we make a correction. If we correct something, we always note the correction in the **NOTES** column for the record that we corrected.

Should we not be able to make a firm conclusion between conflicting data, the possibility of inaccurate information is noted in the **NOTES** column.

## **Workbook Tab 2, OFFICE & DEPARTMENT LIST**

The content of this tab is identical to tab 1, with the only difference being the order of presentation. This tab has the records presented in order by city name of the ADT office and then by department name within the city. Within an office and department, names are listed in alphabetical order, and further by order of appearance in newsletters beginning from the first volume-issue and continuing to the last.

For all ADT associates we show the office and department where they worked. Should either or both be unknown, we indicate <**not noted**> in the field. For non-ADT persons the office and department fields are left blank.

Both office and department are taken directly from the article or listing in the newsletter. In some instances there are conflicts between listings for the same name in different newsletter issues. As noted previously, if we are able to identify the correct data, we make the change and add a comment in the **NOTES** column for the record that we corrected.

Corrections to names, offices and departments are always applied to the **MASTER LIST**. We create the lists on tabs 2, 3, 4 and 5 by copying the data from the **MASTER LIST**, and then sorting and filtering as necessary. This method insures that all tabs contain identical data, with just the presentation order changing from one tab to the next.

### **Workbook Tab 3, NAMES – ALL (ALPHA LIST)**

Again, the content of this tab is identical to tab 1. Different in this tab is that the content is presented in name order. The records are sorted by **LAST NAME** and then by **FULL NAME**.

The reason for using **LAST NAME** as the primary sort is because different articles often refer to the same person with slightly different first names and/or middle initials.

The **FULL NAME** field formats names by first name – middle initial – (nickname, if any is noted) – last name. Thus, it is not practical to use **FULL NAME** as the primary sort. Using **LAST NAME** as the primary sort keeps all references to a specific person in close proximity, although they could still be slightly separated. For example, under the **LAST NAME** Fleming are listings for both Bob Fleming and Robert Fleming, but between them are listings for Charles Fleming.

Where both a formal name and a nickname appear in the same article, the nickname will appear in parenthesis ( ) in the **FULL NAME** column, just in front of the last name. For example: Leonard (Andy) Anderson.

Some ADT associates mentioned in the newsletters did not serve in the armed forces. For these individuals there will be a comment in the **NOTES** column indicating “**not in service.**”

### **Workbook Tab 4, NAMES (ADT ONLY)**

Content of this tab is similar to tab 3, except that this is an abbreviated list containing only ADT associate names. All ADT associates – those who served and those who did not serve – are listed. All comments and explanations discussed for tab 3 also apply to this tab.

A few names are somewhat obscure and may be difficult to spot when reviewing the newsletters. For example, there are two interesting references to ADT associate J Bochan. According to indications in the newsletters, Mr. Bochan did not serve during World War 2. However, his name appears twice in tabs 1, 2, 3 and 4 because his signature appears in two cartoons he drew for the newsletters.

As you work through the name list you may encounter a couple more names that are difficult to locate when you search the indicated newsletter issue and page. Usually, comments in the **NOTES** column will help guide you to the name in the newsletter.

### **Workbook Tab 5, NAMES (NON-ADT ONLY)**

This tab is also similar to tab 3, except that it lists only the names of non-ADT associates who appear in the newsletters. The comments and explanations discussed for tab 3 also apply to the data in tab 5.

We include a row (record) for every non-ADT name found in the newsletters. As explained in the tab 4 discussion, there are a couple names on this tab that may be difficult to find when searching the newsletters. For an example, I'll use the name Frank Owen. This name won't be found in any article. Rather, Mr. Owen's signature appears as the artist who drew a cartoon included in one of the newsletters. (Frank Owen was an artist for Collier's magazine.)

Also included in the non-ADT list are names of historical figures, including world rulers and tyrants, sports figures, Hollywood stars and more. Some may find inclusion of the names of dictators and tyrants credited with starting World War 2 to be offensive. However, to make this project as complete and accurate as possible, I felt compelled to include all names, both friend and foe. To readers who may find this decision offensive, please accept my apology.

### **Workbook Tab 6, ADT HONOR ROLL**

It was previously indicated that worksheet tabs 1-5 all contained identical data, with the order of presentation being the only difference between tabs. Tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL** is different.

The Honor Roll was created by ADT as a way to recognize those associates who served during World War 2. According to a summary provided in newsletter volume 4, issue 3, 1,003 associate names appear on the Honor Roll. Of those, we've captured 994 on the **ADT HONOR ROLL** tab. Details explaining the discrepancy between the two counts are provided on the following pages, which deal exclusively with the **ADT HONOR ROLL**.

If you are searching for a certain name and can't find it in the lists on tabs 1 to 5, be sure to check tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL**. Only when the company received correspondence from, or information about, an associate would that associate's name appear in a newsletter article, and thus be included in the name lists on tabs 1 to 5. If no information was received about an associate, that associate's name will not appear in the lists on tabs 1 to 5.

I consider tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL** the most significant worksheet in this project. The Honor Roll listings published in the newsletters were likely compiled from official company personnel records. Collected together, they represent a compilation of the names of all associates who served during World War 2, and are the source for the names on tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL**.

A detailed discussion of the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet begins on the next page.

# ADT HONOR ROLL

## More About Tab 6, ADT HONOR ROLL

In the **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE** workbook, tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL**, contains an alphabetical listing of the names of all ADT associates who served in the United States military during World War 2. There are no newsletter stories or articles associated with Honor Roll listings, just a name and a city (and in some instances department).

The term Honor Roll did not appear in early newsletter issues. The earliest newsletters only included a paragraph indicating the count of associates in the military at that time.

Volume 1 – Issue 2, page 1 (Sep. 1942) indicated 330 in service (20 officers)

Volume 1 – Issue 3, page 3 (Dec. 1942) indicated 459 in service (30 officers)

As noted previously, the format of tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL** differs from the other five worksheets that comprise this document. Honor Roll listings in the newsletters include only three columns of information: name (last, first, initial), office and department.

All three columns from the newsletter Honor Roll listings were brought forward to the **ADT HONOR ROLL** tab in the workbook. We added a fourth column to indicate the newsletter issue where the Honor Roll listing of each associate can be found.

In the earliest newsletters, Honor Roll listings did not include department information. For that reason, approximately three-quarters of the names have the department field blank.

## About the ISSUE Column

For each name on the **ADT HONOR ROLL** tab the volume and issue where that name appears in the newsletter Honor Roll listings is indicated. Format is volume-issue. For example, 3-4 would indicate volume 3, issue 4.

Newsletter issues from volume 1, issue 3 to volume 3, issue 2 divide the Honor Roll listings into two sections: **Metropolitan** and **Other ADT Offices**. The Metropolitan list contains the names of associates from the New York City area, including Jersey City, Newark, Long Island City and others. The **Other ADT Offices** portion of the list includes associates from ADT offices located outside the New York Metropolitan area. In the **ISSUE** column of the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet we append either **Metro** or **Other** after volume-issue to indicate in which portion of the list an associate's name can be found.

### Honor Roll in Volume 1, Issue 3

Volume 1, issue 3, dated December, 1942 was the first to provide a list of Honor Roll names. 459 names are listed on pages 6 and 7 under the title ***ADT MEN IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY***. Only associate names are provided, without any indication of office (or department) where they worked. Unlike articles in the newsletter, which typically tell stories, the Honor Roll is strictly a list of names.

Because all names in volume 1, issue 3 are repeated in volume 2, issue 5, there was no need to import the name list from volume 1, issue 3 into the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet tab.

### Honor Roll in Volume 2, Issue 5

The names from volume 1, issue 3 are repeated in an expanded Honor Roll list that appears in newsletter volume 2, issue 5, dated August, 1943. The expanded list includes all 459 names documented in Volume 1, issue 3, plus an additional 285 new ones, bringing the total count of associates now serving to 744.

Also, the title of the Honor Roll list in the newsletter was changed slightly. It is now ***ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY***. The change is likely due to several female associates also enlisting. Also, starting with volume 2, issue 5 the office of each associate is shown. Department is still blank, but subsequent Honor Roll updates would include both office and department of the associates.

### Honor Roll in Volume 2, Issue 7

The wording **HONOR ROLL** appears for the first time in newsletter volume 2, issue 7, dated October, 1943. A brief statement entitled **A.D.T. HONOR ROLL** appears on page 6 and indicates, "800 SERVING UNCLE SAM." No name list is provided.

### Honor Roll in Volume 2, Issue 9

Volume 2, issue 9, dated December, 1943 contains the next Honor Roll update. Page 5 includes a supplemental list ***ADDED TO THE HONOR ROLL***, which names all associates who joined the armed forces since the full list was published in volume 2, issue 5, dated August, 1943. Beginning with this issue, additions to the Honor Roll included both office and department of each associate.

Commentary on page 5 of this issue indicates 834 associates have now joined the armed forces. However, the supplemental list adds only 87 names, bringing the total count of published names to 831, a discrepancy of 3. The discrepancy is likely an administrative or clerical error.

### Honor Roll beginning with Volume 3

Newsletter volume 3, issue 1, dated January, 1944 provided a supplemental list adding 16 additional names to the Honor Roll.

All subsequent newsletter issues also added additional names to the Honor Roll. Beginning with volume 3, issue 2, dated February, 1944 a statement was included at the bottom of each supplemental list, "**A.D.T. Folks Enrolled in Armed Forces to Date,**" followed by a total of associates serving. Wording of the statement varies slightly in a couple of issues.

### About Names on the ADT Honor Roll

There are bound to be some spelling errors. Much of the data appearing on the **ADT HONOR ROLL** tab was captured using optical character scanning software. Marginal quality of printing on some of the source documents led to a number of misreads. Typo errors by the clerical staff also resulted in some misspellings. We did our best to identify and correct misspellings, but it is reasonable to expect that some may still exist. Please keep this in mind when reviewing the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet.

### About Newsletter Totals

Throughout the newsletters there are numerous references to the total number of ADT associates who departed the company to serve in the armed forces. There are several instances where stated totals do not match the number of names listed. These oversights are certainly due to the manual processes used to prepare the newsletters. Some quick math illustrates the results of these missteps:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{1,003} = \text{Total of ADT associates in the service (per statement in volume 4, issue 3)} \\ & \mathbf{987} \quad \text{Count of names documented in newsletter Honor Roll listings} \\ & \quad \mathbf{-2} \quad \text{Names duplicated in two different Honor Roll lists (these names are highlighted} \\ & \quad \quad \text{in yellow on the } \mathbf{ADT HONOR ROLL} \text{ worksheet)} \\ & = \mathbf{985} \quad \text{Total of unique names appearing in newsletter Honor Roll listings} \\ & \quad + \mathbf{12} \quad \text{Names from missing volume 3, issue 3 (calculated by subtracting the total shown} \\ & \quad \quad \text{in volume 3, issue 2 from the total shown in volume 3, issue 4)} \\ & = \mathbf{997} \quad \text{Total of Honor Roll names documented in the newsletters} \end{aligned}$$

The result is a difference of 6 between the stated total of Honor Roll names indicated in volume 4, issue 3 and the published listings of names in the newsletters.

## About ADT HONOR ROLL Totals

Taking a look at workbook tab 6, **ADT HONOR ROLL** we find:

**987** Count of names captured from newsletter Honor Roll listings

- **2** Names duplicated in two different Honor Roll lists (these names are highlighted in yellow on the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet)

+ **9** Additional names identified from promotion lists in newsletters after volume 3, issue 3. These names likely appear in the HONOR ROLL update list in the missing volume 3, issue 3. To spot the added names, look for the word "**Promo**" appended after volume – issue in the **ISSUE** column of the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet.

= **994** Final count of names documented on the **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet

Final result: Based on the two math exercises above, The **ADT HONOR ROLL** worksheet is incomplete by either 3 or 9 names.

## Casualties

Volume 4, issue 3, dated May-June, 1945 includes a summary list of war time casualties among ADT associates. This is the only casualty summary provided in any of the newsletters.

Died In Service	21
Missing In Action	5
Prisoners Of War	7

## Conclusion

Japan surrendered on August 15, 1945. The paperwork officially documenting the surrender was signed on September 2, 1945. The war was over and troops were beginning to return home.

It is likely that volume 4, issue 4, the July-August, 1945 issue of ***Our Folks in the Service*** was the last newsletter published. Should any reader of this document have later issues in their possession, the author would appreciate receiving scanned copies so this reference work can be updated.

And as mentioned previously, the author is missing two earlier issues: volume 1, issue 1 and volume 3, issue 3. If readers can provide scans of either issue it would be greatly appreciated.

## **Final Thoughts**

It is my sincere hope that persons reviewing the **ADT FOLKS IN THE SERVICE** workbook will be successful in finding the name of a parent, grandparent, other family member, co-worker, or friend who worked for ADT and left the company to serve in the military during World War 2.

If you are fortunate enough to find a name you recognize, be sure to check the indicated newsletter issue and page for an article or story containing the name. Good luck in your quest.

Best regards to all my ADT and Tyco friends.

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