

I'M IN THE ARMY NOW

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TYPEWRITER TALES

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A reader asks about soldiers and their attending of church services.

Let's have Lt. Donald O. Means, a chaplain here, tell us:

"Looking at the picture from a fair vantage point," he says, "I think we can honestly assert that the average soldier is as meticulous about his adherence to his religious needs as the civilian, who certainly hasn't had his normal pursuits interrupted to the extent of the man in uniform."

"I think servicemen will give a good account of themselves in their parishes when the war is over. And, until the day of Victory, would it not be better if we gave them the benefit of the doubt?"

May I add a bit, Sir?

Religion is in a man's heart, just like love. Every man has his own kind of religion. Quite frankly I think the average soldier will be more religious after the war.

Daily you read about a man returned from combat who says that the Man way up there in the bright blue yonder brought him back safely.

Many times your correspondent has quietly entered the chapels at this field and seen soldiers, on bended knee, silently praying for a mother, a father, a sister, a brother, a wife, a friend, peace.

More readers . . .

Last week this corporal mentioned some of his readers. He finds he missed some, so please add these names:

Joan and Pete Florsheim. Mary Binder. Catherine Jacobs. Bert S. Leech. Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. Hoyt

Roush, daughter Louise, and son Bill. Mr. and Mrs. Melville N. Rothschild, Jr., who have another daughter now, Mary Nelson.

And then there's Ensign and Mrs. John Pennish. And William F. Moriarity and family. Lt. (or is it captain now?) Pete Wolff. Tom Simpson. Burt Beers. Tarawa veteran, 1st Lt. Adolph "Swede" Norvick. Lt. Wally Carr.

Then there's Aviation Cadet Doug Brown—he ought to be a lieutenant by the time he reads this. Congratulations to him and to Marilyn.

How about the Air Wacs . . .

I hear that question frequently.

I salute 'em. I think they're doing a right fine job. Where I fly my P-99 typewriter there are two Air Wacs, Cpl. Thelma Fitzgerald and Pfc. Frances Fantom. They're doing splendid work—and I believe they are typical women soldiers.

Talks with a Highland Parker . . .

I had a talk with a Highland Parker here this week: Pvt. Pete Florsheim. He's studying electronics and he's passed all the tough tests so far.

We reminisced a bit . . . "Gee but I like Highland Park," Pete said. "What a swell town it is. I'd like to settle down and live there for the rest of my life."

Yep, Pete, I agree. And so do hundreds of other Highland Parkers who are in all parts of the world now.

Congratulations to Lt. (j.g.) Curtis Walker Prendergast and Lt. Elizabeth C. Clarke.

They're married now. Bye-bye . . . aIDS

Reconditioning Program Instituted At Fort Sheridan

Colonel John T. Rhett, Post Commander at Ft. Sheridan, has announced a convalescent reconditioning program at the Post hospital, for the purpose of physical conditioning and the constructive use of leisure time in educational pursuits, the purpose of which is to return incapacitated soldiers to duty in the best possible physical and mental condition. Lt. Col. Oliver H. Waltrip, Post Medical Inspector, assisted by Lt. D. C. Wesche, Post Sanitary Officer, is in charge of the program which includes calisthenics adjusted to the needs and condition of the patients. The acutely ill are exempt. Volleyball, badminton and basketball, in the Post gymnasium, and later, out-door sports, are included, with the showing of training films and talks by returned overseas veterans, — other educational features to be added. In many cases men released from hospitals carrying out such programs have been found physically fit for full duty, Lt. Col. Waltrip states, with readmission to hospitals reduced, period of convalescence shortened, and necessity for convalescent furloughs lessened, thereby saving much potentially lost manpower to the Army.

is stationed at a post in England, where he is a member of the chemical warfare department in the air force. Cpl. Knobloch, who at one time sang over the air and took part in glee club concerts at Lake Forest College, now sings with an English choir. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Knobloch of Ft. Sheridan.

Aviation Cadet David C. Stukeley, 20, son of Mr. David C. Stukeley, Sr., 706 So. St. Johns Ave., Highland Park, was recently transferred from the Naval Air Station at Minneapolis, Minn., where he completed his primary flight training, to the Naval Air Training Center at Pensacola, Fla., for intermediate training.

Upon completion of the intensive course at the "Annapolis of the Air," Cadet Stukeley will receive his "Wings of Gold" with the designation of Naval Aviator, and will be commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve or a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Two T/Sergeant sons and a daughter in the Naval Cadet Nurse school at Ann Arbor, Mich., are the contribution of the Frank Gherardinis, 205 North Ave., Highwood, to the armed forces. Recently the two sergeants, Milford and Ray, spent a 9-day furlough together in London.

Milford, who entered the service in 1941, has been overseas since January, 1944, and is stationed with the 8th Army Air Force medical corps in Ireland. Ray, stationed at an English base, is radioman on a Flying Fortress. He joined the armed forces in 1942 and has been overseas since June, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clavey, 2000 Clavey Rd., have two sons and a son-in-law in the service. Cpl. John and Gordon, Yeoman 1/c, USNR, are both stationed in North Africa, and expect to be reunited soon. Pfc. B. Frank Reach, Jr., with his wife, the former Betty Clavey, and his small daughter, is stationed at the Midland, Texas, Bombardier School.

Jerry McCaffrey, radioman 3/c, USN, now stationed in Brooklyn, N.Y., is expected home on leave Sunday by his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCaffrey, 180 Elmwood Drive. Jerry enlisted in the Navy soon after graduating from Lake Forest College, and has been in the service for over a year. He hopes to connect with his brother, S/Sgt. Donald McCaffrey, who with his wife, the former Verne Harding of Lake Forest, is also home on furlough, due to leave sometime Sunday for his post at Will Rogers Field, Okla. 26 months in the service, S/Sgt. Donald, a former postman, has been stationed at posts in Texas, Louisiana, Alabama and Oklahoma.

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Victory Garden Tips

Kipling has sung: "Our England is a garden and such gardens are not made By Singing: 'O how beautiful!' And sitting in the shade. Oh, Adam was a gardener, and God who made him sees That half a proper gardener's work is done upon his knees."

My first recommendation therefore is that everyone secure a pair of carpenter's overalls with a double layer of material over the knees. Yes, to be a gardener it is necessary to be of the earth earthy, but as every intelligent gardener will testify, that like the miracle of the seed or the metamorphosis of the butterfly he too is transformed into something better. Like his plants he too reaches upwards to the air and the sunshine.

I am not sure what a Victory garden means in dollars and cents. We started to find out but Mrs. Morris wasn't fair about it. She said, "Your hobbies are expensive and I am going to keep account," and she got an account book. About the time that the fresh green vegetables were swamping her kitchen I asked how the account stood. Well, she said, "You bought a hoe for a dollar and a quarter, and three dollars and thirty-seven cents of seed, and two dollars and a quarter for fertilizer—" "Oh bother those trivials," I answered, "How about the income?" We turned to the credit sheet—and what do you think? The only entry was "One bunch of radishes, 5c."

But what about chiggers? They leave welts on me that last for months. They seem to have migrated here from the south. A few years ago we never heard of them. I asked for information about them at the University of Illinois and I was told that they do not bury themselves under the skin as is commonly supposed, but that they inject a very active poison at the roots of hairs and shortly after fall off.

Fight Against Insects
The fight against insects must be constant. The leaf-hopper on potatoes is worse than is the potato beetle, for it carries blight throughout the patch. Plant a blight resisting potato and spray every ten days with copper sulphate. Put in some arsenate of lead for the beetles when necessary. One year my potato crop was eaten up by the white grub larva of the June beetle. Last spring, when I plowed, I found the ground full of these white grubs. I hesitated to plant until I entomologist at the University of Illinois assured me that it would be safe. It seems that the June beetle develops through a three year cycle, and last year was the year for them to emerge before the potatoes formed. My potatoes were fine. The grub is only found beneath newly turned sod, where they live on the grass roots. The June beetle can be controlled with arsenate of lead in much the same way the government is trying to control the Japanese beetle, but the cost is high.

World War I Story
Anne's mother was the originator of an oft repeated victory garden story of the last war. I had called for her at Sunday school and got there in time to hear the superintendent telling the children that they too could help win the war by helping at home. "Your mothers are all so busy," he said, "They are canning fruit and they are canning vegetables from the garden. Everyone is canning and they are canning everything.—Now children it is time to close. The last hymn is number 37, 'Can a little child like me, thank the Father fittingly.'" When I found Elizabeth she looked most distressed. "Are you sick dear?" I asked her as I picked her up. She put her arms around my neck and hugged me tight. "Daddy" she whispered, "I should not think they would thank the Father to can a little child like me."
—Sidney D. Motris

Party Given By JW B At Highland Park USO

The usual attractions of archery, bridge, games, dancing etc., at the Highland Park USO will be augmented, next week, by a party on Tuesday, Apr. 25, given by the JW B. May Kennedy Kane with her Irish dancers will appear on the program, and refreshments will be served at 9:30.

UP TO NOW

Plans for an organization to coordinate efforts to aid the returning Highland Park serviceman or woman are now under consideration by a committee appointed by the American Legion. The organization, which will be a community, rather than a Legion enterprise, will, as its prime duty, act as a clearing house for information concerning employment, rehabilitation and other services available to the veteran.

Present indications are that the serviceman who returns after this war will find a bewildering array of organizations, all with programs designed to help him solve his problems. There will be federal, state, county and city agencies, all with some particular service available. This committee plans to be able to listen to the soldier's story, then be able to direct him to the organization whose program will best serve his needs.

Plans are still in a formative stage, and as time progresses, conditions change and the postwar picture becomes clearer, the functions of the committee will be readjusted, altered, and adapted to existing conditions. At present, tentative plans include a survey of probable postwar employment opportunities in Highland Park and the surrounding area, what proportion of returning servicemen will

find employment here, and what proportion will have to find work in Chicago or other nearby communities, how many servicemen will want to return to their old jobs, and how many will want to enter new fields.

It is, of course, impossible, at this time, to forecast with any degree of accuracy what the employment situation will be. Any businessmen will reply that any such forecast can be made only on the basis of business conditions after the war. What those conditions will be, no one knows. Nevertheless it is felt that a definite program, set up now, can be adapted to those conditions with much more efficiency than would be possible if nothing were done until the last possible moment.

At present, the committee's duties are necessarily limited to a preliminary survey of the services needed and available. As the scope of its activities broadens, more and more advisors will be called in, and aid of various sorts requested from civic, social and fraternal groups. Highland Park's past record in enlightened social aid is sufficient assurance that all that can be done will be done, and will be done efficiently.

It should be emphasized that the work of this organization will not duplicate that of others, but will be supplementary to all agencies and activities designed to help Highland Park's returning veterans.

4-Star Program At Railway Ave. USO

High spots in the regular weekly program at the USO-NCCS, Railway Ave., Highwood, are the dance on Tuesday, April 25th, with music by the 1672 S.U. Band, dinner for the band served by the Highwood Service Mothers' Club, mid-week dance on Wednesday, Hubbard Woods hostesses entertaining, and a boxing bout on Thursday by the Grant Community high of Ingleside with their top-notch team, Coach Louis Orr supervising.

Servicemen Entertain Official Hostesses At USO-S.A. Club

Last Wednesday night the USO-Salvation Army at 346 Waukegan Ave., Highwood, reversed the usual order of proceedings, the GI's acting as entertainers and the official hostesses as guests. An informal program was presented with Pvt. Wm. Heckman as M.C., followed by remarks by Sgt. Walter Olson. Refreshments were served by the GI's.

DON'T BURN PAPER

In The Nation's Service

Three weeks a corporal—and then a sergeant. But we'll warrant that Sgt. John S. Salyards will get used to the idea, and no doubt he earned every inch of those stripes. Those boys in the Marines really have to go to town before they receive recognition. John is one of the three Salyards brothers, sons of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Salyards, who are serving in the armed forces—in three different branches. Sgt. John, USMC, is located somewhere in the Central Pacific area, and although he is not allowed to tell of his whereabouts, friends who have seen him report that he has been in Hawaii, Samoa, Midway, etc.

Cpl. Stanley Salyards, U. S. Army, with the Field Artillery for 2 years, is now stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla. Clyde, H. W. 1/c, USN, who received his basic training at Farragut, Idaho, is now with a Medical corps in Norfolk. The sister of the three boys, Mrs. Edgar C. Hayes, 518 Midlothian Ave., states that it keeps her busy writing to three brothers and a son in service.

Westley Hayes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Hayes, 21, Seaman 1/c, USN, is now on submarine duty. His basic training was taken at New London, Conn. He was later stationed at Mare Island, and is now on the high seas. In love with his job, he feels comparatively safe aboard a submarine, and hopes to make Australia, where he will receive more training and get patrol duty, which must precede a rating. He is in the radio branch.

"A movie actor at \$50 a month." That is how Pfc. Alex Haincheck, USMC, puts it, for he has the distinction of appearing in the part of a raider in the picture "Gung Ho," which was filmed while he was in Marine boot training at San Diego. Young Haincheck, who was graduated from the local high school at the age of 17, and enlisted in the Marine corps at 20, is now somewhere in the south-west Pacific. His brother, Eugene, 17, a high school senior, has qualified for Army A/C training. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Borgini, 217 Jeffreys Place, Highwood.

Angelo Alviani, Jr., MMR 3/c, USN, who is now stationed somewhere in So. America, writes that he is feeling fine and likes his present surroundings very well. Following his basic training at Great Lakes, he received further training at Syracuse, N.Y., Norfolk, Va., and in Florida. He is 19 years old.

His brother, James, 23, also of the Navy, received basic training in Farragut, Idaho, and was later shipped overseas from Tacoma, Wash.

A sister, Patsy, is engaged in defense work at Alibon's laboratories. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Alviani, 302 No. St. Johns Ave.

Lt. Robt. E. (Mike) Moon is enjoying a leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moon, 598 Homewood Ave. Lt. Moon has received training at various posts in Texas, Georgia and Mississippi, and is at present stationed at Alliance, Neb., as instructor in the Army Air Corps, in a troop carrying group. He has been in service since May, 1942, and has three brothers in the armed forces.

T/5 Melvin (Bud) Moon, who has been stationed on the west coast, has written that his APO is now San Francisco. Pvt. Lloyd is with the medical corps at Camp Grant, and Verne, 18, of the Army Air Corps, is completing his senior year at the local high school.

Pvt. Irene E. Palmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer, 929 S. St. Johns Ave., is now in training, in Des Moines, Iowa, in the First Women's Army Corps Training Center. Immediately assigned to a Receiving Center company for a week of elementary training, she was issued clothing and equipment, instructed in rudiments of drill and given Army classification tests. For the following five weeks she will be assigned to a Basic company for more detailed training preparing her to become a member of the supplemental troops of the U. S. Army.

One of the "four sergeants" of the LaBuda family, Sgt. August LaBuda, is enjoying a 30-day Stateside furlough after serving for 2 years in the Caribbean and So. Pacific areas as mechanic in the Army Air Corps. His furlough will be spent in Highland Park and Chicago.

The sergeant brothers are Ben, husband of the former Mary Fay, stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, in the engineering corps, Walter, of the Army Infantry, at Camp Shelby, Miss., and S/Sgt. Joe, who for 2 1/2 years has been stationed in the Pacific area. There are seven LaBuda brothers in all.

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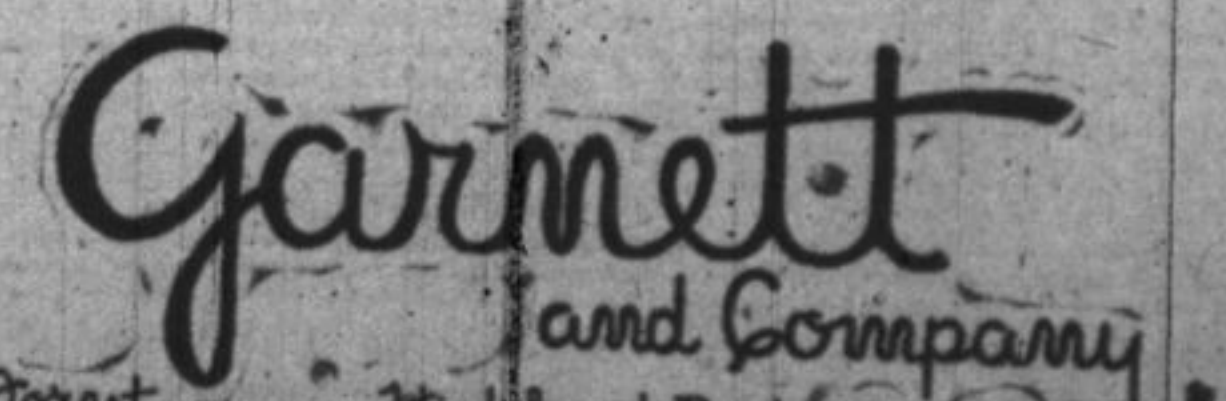
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