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to get the highest grades of anyone, having "As" on all his papers, but modestly he disclaimed any credit, saying it was all work with which he was familiar. It has been close to eleven months since he was first taken into the service, and it looks as if there were still some weeks or months of preparation ahead of him as he thinks that he will be put into navigation.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Nell Hanley. We realize that Julia had always been very fond of her, and that she was a favorite with her brother Charles. I think Charles has reason to be proud of the successful advancement of his nephews.

Dolph Simons, Sr. has been away since Monday morning in making a trip in which he visits cities in each one of the congressional districts in putting over the United War Fund Campaign for which he has been named Director of Publicity for the state of Kansas. He will be home tonight after four days' absence.

A letter from Dorothea yesterday says that they have been getting in a fine supply of materials for their lumber yard, which, I think, indicates careful attention to business on the part of Bus. He has been able to get materials seemingly when other lumber yards were unable to do so. He now is assisting in the management of six yards.

Blanche is anxiously awaiting the first frost to be rid of hay fever.

Don Hefflin who was a carrier for us in 1907 was in to see me yesterday. He has been a resident of Minneapolis, Minnesota for some years and is a representative of the U.C.T. Not long ago he was at the Ransford where he met Don of whom he spoke highly.

I am writing this to both of you because I have the same message for each.

Gertrude joins me in sending love.

Lovingly,

Your brother

October 4, 1943

Colonel Karl F. Baldwin
U. S. Military Attache
375 Collins Street
Melbourne, Australia

My dear Colonel:

I am afraid that I have been lax in answering your good letter of July 9th. At that time Gertrude and I had expected to remain in Lawrence for the summer, but we left here August 12th and were gone four weeks. Since we got back, we have had quite a little difficulty getting household help and it took some time to get squared around with other things. Gertrude had a real nice letter from Mrs. Baldwin last week.

We are carrying on, I think, in a way to meet your approval here at home. Naturally, there are certain extravagances which do not meet with our approval, but the main thing, as we see it now, is to support our boys in the field and to finish the war successfully as quickly as possible. To that end Lawrence has done its part. We feel that any inconveniences that we may have is as nothing compared to what our men in the service have to experience.

Dolph has been writing a letter to the boys in the service that is published each Monday in the Journal-World. It is so that anyone writing to their boys can include the clipping in the letters and in that manner tell a world of news that they would be unable to write. I think this letter has met with wide and general approval. As a matter of fact we had favorable comment from one young man who had never lived in Lawrence, but had simply visited the town at one time.

There were two reasons why an assessment of \$2,075,000 for the loan drive was particularly heavy for Douglas County. It was based on the bank deposits. It is probably true that some of these deposits may have been connected with the Sunflower Ordnance Works and did not represent money that was locally available, but we went over the top with a surplus of perhaps \$50,000.

Dolph is now engaged as publicity manager for the state of Kansas for the United War Fund Campaign and left this morning to

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be gone four days on a visiting mission.

Everybody in town engaged in victory gardens. Dolph, who hadn't done any gardening since he was twelve or thirteen years old, had an excellent garden and raised bushels of peas, tomatoes, potatoes, and various garden products all of which helped that much to provide a supply for his family and to relieve the general demand by a like amount. We had the same. Judging by his looks, one of the men that we had to depend upon for gardening this year was too old to accompany Noah on the Ark and must have come thru on a raft. We were glad to get him even at the rate of fifty cents an hour. We had another man with only one arm and half-seeing eyes that we paid a like amount, but did raise a nice garden, have canned a large amount, raised a flock of chickens and are now fattening fifteen beef calves. In things of this sort, it isn't a question of a profit or even a question of whether we come out even. The one thing that we look at is that we are increasing the amount of food.

The flurry which sold a great many properties in Lawrence during the last year is probably very largely over. I wonder if it would not be wise for you to list your residence property with more than one agency. A picture of the house together with descriptive matter telling of its favorable location, etc., etc., might bring you a buyer. M. R. Gill, Hosford Investment Company, S. J. Hunter, and Holmes, McGrew & Peck are all reliable agencies.

The season here now is wonderful. The fourth of October and we have not yet had a killing frost. Tomato vines are still bearing and watermelons, canteloupes, green corn, etc., are still on the market.

Errett P. Scrivner, who succeeds U.S. Guyer in congress, has been Commander of the Kansas American Legion. He seems to be an energetic sort of a fellow and I believe can be counted upon to support Republican measures, which as I see it, are the only breaks upon unlimited spending and taxation. I feel acutely that the government should purge its rolls of young men of military age that they may be taken into military service. I think that the accusation that manpower has been hoarded in many of these departments and by cost-plus contractors is undoubtedly true. I think you would be gratified at the splendid spirit of cooperation that is everywhere in evidence on the home front.

The prayers of millions of persons go up every day for the safety and success of our defenders. I am very glad that you have heard from Chan and I am of the opinion that his intimate knowledge of the Japanese may enable him to know better what has to be done while a prisoner. I think Philena is a good soldier, heart and soul with her husband and son, and glad to do everything that she can.

God bless you and keep you.

Cordially yours,

October 7, 1943

A/s O. W. Maloney, 17058157
70th C.T.D.
Albion College
Albion, Michigan

Dear Owen:

We were mighty glad to get your letter of the 5th, and upon receipt of it, I had Dorothy call Marilyn and found that she did not have your address and was very glad to have it and promised to write you.

We hear from your mamma quite frequently and not so long ago we had a telephone conversation with her. I understand that they are getting pretty well settled, have renewed old friendships, and have made new acquaintances and friends, and that Eileen is enjoying her work at Holland Hall. I think I have the name right. She seems to be a go-getter in mathematics, is taking stiff work, and doing it well.

Marilyn is a mighty sweet girl and her mamma was here with her when she entered school. I took her and her baggage up to the Kappa House and the hall looked like a reception place for refugees. Bundles and bags with clothing were piled on both sides of the hall from door to door. It reminded me of the time a good many years ago when I had to go to the Kappa House for Blanche and get all of the white robes that they used in their initiation. I said that although I was an oldtimer, I had probably had my arms around more of those robes than any young fellow in town, but robes without occupancy are rather of a hollow and heavy thing.

I think there are quite a good many girls on the Hill, but at the same time there are probably two boys for every girl as we have a big group of soldiers and sailors.

As you are getting the paper, you probably know most of the news if you have time to read it. We went over the top in good shape on the bond drive, all of us doing our part.

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The weather here has been ideal. For several days it has been in the low 40's at night and up in the 70's during the day. We have had sufficient rain to make the lawns and pastures as green as they are in May and so far we have had no killing frosts.

I doubt if any of us often speak our inner thoughts in regard to the war. It seems such a terrible thing that a few ambitious and soulless men should so manipulate the affairs of millions that settlement can come only thru the slaughter of many lives. We are fighting a crusade for the continuance of Christianity and civilization. Terrible as the warfare is and will be, it is intolerable to think of living under the domination of the Axis group. Even if the Axis should win, peace would not follow because there would be warfare within its own groups in which millions would again be immersed in blood to decide who was going to be boss. My prayer is that justice and right may prevail, and I believe that the ring-leaders--Himmlers, Hitlers, Goerrings and Mussolinis are going to be held personally responsible--yes, and we should include the leaders of the Japanese. Out of it should come a better world, but it will be a world that has passed thru the fire.

We love you, would like to have you with us, and we feel sure that you will come out of the war with wider vision and with matured judgment.

Your grandma is thinking of going to Minneapolis next week to spend about a week with the McNalleys. She has not visited them for nearly two years. Lack of transportation and the over-burdening of railroad transportation has sort of tied us down.

Write me whenever you have the time and let me share with you any worries or troubles in which I may be able to help.

With lots of love,

Your grandfather

October 26, 1943

A/s O. W. Maloney, 17058157
70th C.T.D.
Albion College
Albion, Michigan

Dear Owen:

Your grandma went out a week ago Sunday to Minneapolis with Janet and the children, and I went out Friday by train, and we returned yesterday afternoon.

We have your picture on our mantle, and I looked at it quite a while this morning. You are not only very precious to your immediate family, but you are also very precious to us. We love you, are proud of you, and hope that you will come out of your military service enriched in many ways by your study and experience.

We don't see a great deal of Marilyn, but it is a satisfaction to know that she is in town. On Sunday, the 17th, she had dinner with us when Janet and children were here. She is a mighty sweet girl and I think is getting along nicely.

I also understand that Eileen is showing a real interest in her work at Holland Hall.

All three of you children are unusually bright, and with proper application will be outstanding.

Lots of love

from your grandma and me

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Mr. C. H. Hoinville
908 Railway Exchange
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles:

My son-in-law, McNalley, has been looking after a number of things for us in regard to Etoile's estate. He will soon make a trip to Macedonia to see about the disposition of that property.

He has ascertained that the common stock of the American Power and Light Company has a present value of \$2.75 a share. It is my impression that Etoile had one hundred shares. This can easily be verified by McNalley in corresponding directly with the American Power and Light Company. I think, however, that this stock will be found in Etoile's possessions. If so, will you please send it to me or to L. A. McNalley, Minneapolis, Kansas.

The second half of the taxes on the Macedonia property is now due--in fact, a little past due, but I shall not pay same until Mc has made a report of what he finds at Macedonia.

I know that you are exceedingly busy and I profoundly wish that you could secure someone at home competent to relieve you from some of the responsibility in looking after Julia. A man can stand only so much and is liable to crack if he doesn't take care of himself. Your duties are remarkably heavy and much depends upon your good judgment in handling the fuel supply for the American railroads.

In a letter not long ago, I submitted the words which I thought would be a proper inscription on a marker at Etoile's grave. Grayce has told me that this is satisfactory to her, and you can either ask Julia about it or not--just as you think best. These things do not matter a great deal, and I would not want to worry her. The wording suggested is as follows:

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Your brother,

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Mrs. Harry Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Dorothea:

I found your letter upon our return from
Minneapolis where we had a very pleasant visit.

We are counting on meeting the train at
Leavenworth--your mamma keeping track of the
time. I think we are counting on meeting the
train at about eleven o'clock in the morning,
and if that is incorrect, you had best telephone
us.

We shall be very happy to have them and
you with us--also your old man.

I enclose copy of a letter I have written
the Viking Press.

Love to all,

Your father

October 22, 1943

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville
7539 Colfax Avenue
Chicago 49, Illinois

Dear Julia:

I should love to have a good heart to heart talk with you. I haven't any heavy secrets on my mind or anything like that, but would just like to visit with you.

It so happens that Gertie went to Minneapolis last Sunday afternoon with Janet and children who had spent Friday and Saturday nights with us. I am leaving at eleven o'clock this morning and Gertie and I will return Monday.

You can tell Charlie that we, too, have a good friend in Honolulu, Col. Adnah G. Clarke, U.S.A. retired. I think he is or was the head of the School for Police which instructs them in markmanship. Adnah would be very glad to meet him and to aid him in any way that he could.

Charlie tells me that you ate a doughnut. Where you made the mistake was that you should have looked at the doughnut and then eaten the hole. It would have been more easily digested. This reminds me of Mark Twain's story of when he was starving in the Artic regions and was forced to eat his boots. He said the holes tasted best.

I had a little visit with Mary Jule and Charles Sunday afternoon and Mary Jule was in the office once since. She thinks she would like to get employment of some kind--not so much for the money she could earn--as to keep her mind employed during the hours when Vera is in school. We shall see if there is anything she can do in the office and if not, I am sure that we can help her get located.

As you are always at home and we might not be, why don't you let me put a call thru to you so we could have a talk.

I love you a lot, you have been a dear sister and have done a world of good. Just keep on keeping on and before long, you will be able to see how high you can kick.

Lots of love
from your brother

October 21, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
Route 3--Tree Tops
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce and Don:

Gertrude is now in Minneapolis spending a week with Janet and family, and I leave tomorrow morning at eleven to join her. We expect to return Monday.

Sunday afternoon Mary Jule and Charles came over to see us and found me sorting scrap. They informed me that Mary Jule's plans had been changed and that she was not going to California inasmuch as Charles would be there for a day only, and that she intended to stay in Lawrence and was desir~~ous~~ous of securing work of some kind, not so much because they needed the money as to help take up her time.

Vera is in kindergarten.

I don't know of anything else of interest to tell you.

Lots of love,

Your brother

October 20, 1943

Leading Gents Furnishing Store
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Gentlemen:

Please fit O. W. Maloney with a
new hat or equivalent merchandise and
send the bill to me.

He is my son-in-law, and October
22nd is his birthday.

Yours very truly,

W. C. Simons

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October 20, 1943

Mr. O. W. Maloney
Maloney Tank Company
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Pat:

Congratulations on reaching another milestone hale and hearty and full of vinegar and all its accompaniments. Here's wishing you a happy birthday.

I am enclosing an order which you will please present to the store of your choice and get something you like for your birthday.

Love to all the family.

Lovingly,

Your father

Enc.

October 20, 1943

Mrs. W. C. Simons
c/o L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Gertrude:

I had a nice duck dinner with Dolph and Marie last night-- was served one-half of a pintail duck and it was simply delicious. Dolph was out again this morning and got eight ducks.

I neglected to tell you yesterday that there has been a complete change in Mary Jule's plans. She is not going to California as she find that Charles will be there but a single day, so she plans to stay here, and to help pass the time away, she hopes to find some kind of a job. Charles looks well and looks more mature. They called on me Sunday afternoon while I was working at scrap, and Mary Jule was in again yesterday.

Old Mrs. Ice telephoned this morning needing a man, and we gave her the name of Mr. Pitts. I don't know of anyone that I would rather try to help in such a case as this old lady who has gone thru so much suffering.

Tonight will be the meeting at the church. I told Mable I would dine at home and would then dress for the evening meeting at which I am to preside.

It was very warm here last night and I slept with two windows wide open on the sleeping porch and the door wide open into our room. There was a slight sprinkle this morning, but of no importance.

Mr. Thomas has worked very hard shaping up the meeting for tonight, and I hope it will be a success.

I think it likely that the Mayflower Society will not attempt to hold its annual dinner meeting this year. I think that Brewster is getting a little tired of the responsibility of being Governor. Perforce one in that position has to deal with a lot of aged, well intentioned people, who are more or less difficult to please.

Lots of love to you and the family.

Lovingly,
Your husband

October 19, 1943

Mrs. W. C. Simons
c/o L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Gertrude:

I have no doubt that you had a good trip home and are enjoying yourself with Janet and family.

No special news here. Pitts came over about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and had the storm windows all washed by the time I went home. Mable had told me yesterday morning that she had opened the screens and I pitched in with him and fastened the windows from the inside and assisted him a bit. We got the storm doors up on the south and then when it came to putting the screens away, I let him go up on the upper deck and I handed them up to him. I found that he had had to bring the storm windows and doors down from up there one by one down the ladder as Brown had gone home before he arrived.

Mable had a real dinner for me last night--potatoes, sausage, sausage gravy and salad with dessert--really a little heavier than I needed.

Everything seems to be moving smoothly out home and Mable relayed your message to Brown and told him that you did not think you needed him any more this week.

Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Rankin came out about 9:30 or maybe a little later Sunday evening, and I had just gone upstairs. I worked several hours Sunday afternoon sorting scrap and wore the loud slip-over shirt that Dolph gave me several years ago for fishing. I had just pulled off that shirt when they came. I talked to them out of the window and told them I would put on a robe and come down, but they did not come in. Yesterday Mr. Thomas asked me to preside at the meeting tomorrow night which I agreed to do.

I don't think of any other news to tell you. Give my love to all and keep a lot for yourself.

Lovingly,
Your husband

October 18, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
Route 3--Tree Tops
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce & Don:

I am sending you a letter I have just written to Lillian which gives you the lowdown on the family.

While the grass is still green, we have had a killing frost which has taken the leaves from the trees and has put a finish to the victory gardens. I presume your garden has had similar treatment before this, but I know you had a wonderful garden and I believe besides the value that it represented in food, it was fine for both the health of yourself and Don to get the exercise and fresh air.

I should like mighty well to crank up my gyro-plane or airplane and come up for a visit with you, but we shall have to postpone that for a time.

Lots of love,

ENC.

October 18, 1943

Mrs. Kathryne Drought
1417 North Blackstone
Jackson, Michigan

Dear Kathryne:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have just written to Lillian which will be of equal interest to you.

With the tendency of all grandparents, much of the letter is given to our children and grandchildren.

I am very happy that you are recovering from your serious illness and I hope the day will come when you will be cured.

Lovingly,

Your cousin

ENC.

October 18, 1943

Miss Lillian Cowdy
3751 Aldrich Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Lillian:

There is nothing very much new here to report. Owen Maloney is still taking aviation training at Albion College in Albion, Michigan and expects to be out of school in the near future.

Marilyn Maloney, our eldest granddaughter, is attending the University. Her sister, Eileen, is in a private high school, Holland Hall, which is nearer her home than the public high school.

Janet McMalley and two children made a brief weekend visit with us. She has a fine boy and girl and they are getting along nicely in school.

Dolph is one of the busiest men in town in not only putting in a lot of time at our own work, but giving so much to all public activities. You would hardly know his boys. Dolph Jr. has grown so tall and reasonably slender and John is tall and slender for a boy of eleven. Both of them are doing well in school.

Dorothea and family lead a very busy life. She is without help in her household the greater part of the time. The older of her two boys is in kindergarten and the younger, Charles, who is three, is coming along fine. Her husband has the general supervision of six lumber yards besides actively managing the yard at Dawson. It keeps him very busy, but he has been doing an excellent job.

Certie accompanied Janet to Minneapolis yesterday and will spend the week with her. I plan to go out Friday and return Monday. Although they live only about 175 miles from us, it has been about two years since we visited in their home.

We are having wonderful activity in our church. It is well filled every Sunday and rarely a Sunday comes in which we do not receive several new members. Everyone is working hard.

Miss Lillian Cowdy

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Our pastor who had been with us for more than seven years died early this year and the work since then has been carried on by our student pastor assisted by the men and women of the church, and by Dr. R. A. Schwegler who has been our interim preacher.

I hope that your health is at least no worse and that your winter will be more pleasant than for several years past.

Lovingly,

Your brother cousin

October 18, 1943

Mrs. Harry Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Dorothea:

Janet came in Friday evening with her two children and spent the night with us and then spent Saturday in Kansas City where attention was given to the children's eyes, the report being most satisfactory. She returned in time for dinner Saturday evening and left after the noon dinner yesterday accompanied by your mamma who will spend the week with her.

I plan to leave here at 11 o'clock Friday and expect to return Monday.

We are always glad to get your good letters and are interested in the growth and development of your fine little boys.

I am sure that Bus is working hard and efficiently.

Lots of love

Your dad

October 18, 1943

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

Your mamma left after lunch yesterday with Janet and her children to spend a week in Minneapolis. I expect to leave here at 11 o'clock Friday to return Monday. We had a nice but short visit with Janet.

We were very happy to have Marilyn with us for dinner yesterday which gave her an opportunity to meet her aunt and cousins. She looks fine and we are proud of her.

I was very glad to get your good letter which came yesterday.

Dolph is working very hard looking after the United War Fund Campaign. He never has acquired the habit of taking things easily. He is putting a lot of fire and vigor into this drive, and I understand at the kick-off breakfast this morning, representatives of the business houses and of the town in general were in tears.

Give my love to Eileen and Pat and lots of love to yourself.

Your dad

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POSTMASTER,

By

October 15, 1943

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville
7539 Colfax Avenue
Chicago 49, Illinois

Dear Julia:

I dropped into Holloway's Grocery at 19th and Mass. this morning and Mr. Holloway's daughter asked about you. She said that Dr. Liddy had taken a cardiograph of Mr. Holloway and of you at the same time and if they were not labeled, they might easily have been taken one for the other because they looked almost exactly alike.

The interesting thing to me is that Mr. Holloway is recovering nicely and is able to come down to the store awhile every day. I think that gives us an indication that your heart trouble is responding in the same way or will so respond.

I understand that Charlie Stough is to be sent to the Mid-Pacific, but will have a two weeks' furlough and expects to spend half of it at least in Lawrence.

Our killing frost came last night so that is an end to our gardens for this year. It has been a wonderfully fine and productive year with frosts holding off for a long time. With the exception of tomatoes that we have picked green and which may ripen in our basement, I think we shall have no more products from the garden with the exception of turnips which will probably be good until the ground freezes hard.

We are expecting Janet and children in tonight and if they come, Gertrude will probably accompany them to Minneapolis, and I will go out on the next weekend and bring her back.

I don't think of any news of special import to tell you.

We love you a lot and hope that you are coming along nicely.

Lovingly,

Your brother

October 12, 1943

Corp. Norman A. Norman, 36032481
Co. F 132 Infantry
A.P.O. 716--c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Dear Norman:

Since Mrs. Hoinville has been so ill, I think it quite likely that you haven't heard very much from home folks and we haven't heard anything regarding you for a long time. The last I heard you were serving somewhere in the jungles and pitting your sharp shooting against theirs.

It has been quite a long while since you were here with Mrs. Hoinville showing Mr. Haskell's pictures. Certainly things have changed terrifically the world over, but I am hopeful the end is at least in sight. There may be more hard fighting, there may be some reverses, but it is unthinkable that the Nazis should regain the power they had in the beginning of the war. They were smart enough to know something about guns and mechanism, but their psychology was bad. When they believed they could lead the world around by its nose, they showed a lack of brain power that condemned them from the start.

I feel that justice will be thwarted unless the Himmlers, the Goerings, the Goebbels, the Hitlers, the Hirohitos and their span are fittingly punished. In order that the pig-headed Germans might not be led to believe that Hitler really was a god, he should be kept for a reasonable length of time as a prisoner where he could feel and see the hatred that others have for him.

We enclose a "Dear Buddy" letter that appears each Monday in the Journal-World. This is written by Dolph who takes a whole afternoon to do it as it requires scanning the news for a week in order to make it worthwhile.

I should be glad to hear from you and if there is anything that we on the home front can do for you, please let me know.

Cordially yours,

W. C. Simons

WCS:df
Enc.

October 12, 1943

Mrs. Charles Hoinville
7539 Colfax
Chicago 49, Illinois

Dear Julia:

I hope that the weather is as delightful in Chicago as it is here. Yesterday it was 83 on our front porch and Saturday afternoon Marie really got sunburned attending the football game.

Everything is moving along smoothly at home. Gertie had planned spending the week with Janet, but finds that Janet is compelled to go to Kansas City this weekend with her car and by waiting, Gertie can ride out with her instead of going on the train.

We have had no killing frost as yet although some of the hard maples have taken on their beautiful fall hues.

We love you a lot and want you to recover to have a good many more years of happy life. Remember that both of our grandfathers were well up in the 80's and our great grandfather was 92, and two of our ancestors as shown on our chart lived to be 102 years old.

Have Charlie drop me a line frequently letting me know how you are getting along.

We ordered flowers sent to the funeral and hope they were delivered. We ordered them thru our local florist who turned the order to someone in Chicago.

I wish you could be with us with all of the zest and energy of some years ago.

Lovingly,

Your brother

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The weather here has been ideal. For several days it has been in the low 40's at night and up in the 70's during the day. We have had sufficient rain to make the lawns and pastures as green as they are in May and so far we have had no killing frosts.

I doubt if any of us often speak our inner thoughts in regard to the war. It seems such a terrible thing that a few ambitious and soulless men should so manipulate the affairs of millions that settlement can come only thru the slaughter of many lives. We are fighting a crusade for the continuance of Christianity and civilization. Terrible as the warfare is and will be, it is intolerable to think of living under the domination of the Axis group. Even if the Axis should win, peace would not follow because there would be warfare within its own groups in which millions would again be immersed in blood to decide who was going to be boss. My prayer is that justice and right may prevail, and I believe that the ring-leaders--Himmlers, Hitlers, Goerrings and Mussolinis are going to be held personally responsible--yes, and we should include the leaders of the Japanese. Out of it should come a better world, but it will be a world that has passed thru the fire.

We love you, would like to have you with us, and we feel sure that you will come out of the war with wider vision and with matured judgment.

Your grandma is thinking of going to Minneapolis next week to spend about a week with the McNalleys. She has not visited them for nearly two years. Lack of transportation and the over-burdening of railroad transportation has sort of tied us down.

Write me whenever you have the time and let me share with you any worries or troubles in which I may be able to help.

With lots of love,

Your grandfather

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to get the highest grades of anyone, having "A's" on all his papers, but modestly he disclaimed any credit, saying it was all work with which he was familiar. It has been close to eleven months since he was first taken into the service, and it looks as if there were still some weeks or months of preparation ahead of him as he thinks that he will be put into navigation.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Nell Hanley. We realize that Julia had always been very fond of her, and that she was a favorite with her brother Charles. I think Charles has reason to be proud of the successful advancement of his nephews.

Dolph Simons, Sr. has been away since Monday morning in making a trip in which he visits cities in each one of the congressional districts in putting over the United War Fund Campaign for which he has been named Director of Publicity for the state of Kansas. He will be home tonight after four days' absence.

A letter from Dorothea yesterday says that they have been getting in a fine supply of materials for their lumber yard, which, I think, indicates careful attention to business on the part of Bus. He has been able to get materials seemingly when other lumber yards were unable to do so. He now is assisting in the management of six yards.

Blanche is anxiously awaiting the first frost to be rid of hay fever.

Don Hefflin who was a carrier for us in 1907 was in to see me yesterday. He has been a resident of Minneapolis, Minnesota for some years and is a representative of the U.C.T. Not long ago he was at the Ransford where he met Don of whom he spoke highly.

I am writing this to both of you because I have the same message for each.

Gertrude joins me in sending love.

Lovingly,

Your brother

October 7, 1943

F.L.M.
County Farm---Route 2
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Friend:

I have received your note and was glad to hear from you.

A gentleman dropped in for a visit yesterday who carried papers for us in 1907. Elmer McCollum keeps in touch with us and he was a carrier probably in the '90's. Pilly Hutson of the hotel carried papers for us in 1891. Herb Stanford was also a carrier at that time, but I think probably that your experience is earlier than that of any of the others.

I visited the old John Spear home near the Quaker Church some years ago and we carried a story about it. I think the building has since been razed.

We are glad that you enjoy the paper.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

W. C. Simons

WCS:df

Journal World. City

According to plans I
thank you for paper which
I once delivered by "Pony Express
over all east Lawrence from
the bridge and Mill on
out to John Spears by
the (quaker) Church, ^{over} 50 yds.

So I am telling Editor to
be merry while he Dolph's
his I hat to the manager.
Respectful Paper coming to me for
I can't get along without
the Journal World.

I see some one has put me
down for another year, thanks
so much
Yours as ever

F.L.M. Co Farm

October 5, 1943

Mrs. H. F. Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

Your letter of the 3rd to your mother and father was received and opened this morning by Mr. W. G. Simons.

He asked Mrs. Lydic to look after the shopping for you which she did this noon. Under separate cover she is sending you one pink size 8 Snoozer pajama. If you care to return the size 4 pajama, she will return it in exchange for the size 8.

Penneys did not have a size 6 of any kind, but Woolworth's had the size 6 in the Snoozer pajama which is identical to the size 8 which is being mailed you.

We do not receive the Kansas City Star at the office, but get the Times. The enclosed ad was clipped from the September 30th Times and is the only one Mrs. Lydic could find.

After reading this letter, I have decided it sounds like a problem in arithmetic, but perhaps you will be able to solve it.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Fritzel

DMF
Enc.

October 5, 1943

Mr. H. F. Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Bus:

I think it might be well worth your while if you have not already done so to investigate what second-hand lumber might be available from the demolition of certain buildings at the Sunflower Ordnance Works.

Of course, the matter of trucking or freight would enter into the picture. It would seem to me that a lot of this material might be well suited to farm use.

We enjoyed very much our visit with you and the children at Holton and with Dorothea in our home.

With love

Your father

WCS:df
Enc.

AMERICAN LEGATION
OFFICE OF MILITARY ATTACHÉ
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

375 Collins St.,
July 9, 1943.

My dear W.C.,

I was very much delighted to receive your fine letter of May 20 and am dictating a reply before I leave on another journey for ten days or so. I am glad to hear good word about you and Gertrude and the people of the town. I am especially happy that Colonel Washington is doing so well. Remember me to him if you should think of it. You will also find Colonel M.A. Cross a very delightful man. He was in the Artillery with me and an instructor at our Coast Artillery School when I was a student there. I last saw him at Fort Scott, San Francisco. His brother is a Doctor in Kansas City and he voluntarily and without solicitation gave us \$500 for the Military Science School which I thought was a very fine spirit.

That brings me to the building, and I am certainly pleased that it is now under contract for completion. It's been two years and a half since I obtained permission for its construction.

It's hard to reconcile our cold weather with the hot season you are having at home and I suspect about now you would be glad to go to Minnesota, but no doubt it's wise, from several standpoints, not to make such a trip. One does feel guilty for using too much gasoline these days.

I presume Philena is now settled in our new house in Berkeley, in fact I am waiting for her next letter which will tell about it. She was packed and sitting on the door step of the old house, so to speak, when she last wrote. John was still with her but expecting to go into military service at any time. Bruce Cameron has certainly been considerate of him, but because of his eyes he will get only a limited assignment. I presume he is still shipbuilding at the moment. My oldest son is doing very good work as an engineer, and we are still waiting patiently for some official word from Chandler. I think eventually we shall hear and then perhaps only in some stereotyped form. I was extremely interested in your remarks that your son John Lewis, who died in 1928, was the same age as Chandler. Mrs. Baldwin bears up very well and I think it's a good thing she has plenty of work to do. I still want her to come out here but so far I have not had courage enough to ask. I think eventually they will permit all the Diplomatic staff to bring their wives, though the new Consul General here in Melbourne, Mr. Clarence Spiker has left his wife and son in the States. I am waiting to talk with him when he arrives.

Lawrence, I know, has done well with her brilliant Red Cross

work, garden activities and the work of all the organizations in doing things of patriotic interest. Lawrence is changed by the war and will probably be changed considerably afterwards. The rises in wages and prices are bound to upset things very much, and those of us on salaries will be pretty hard pressed for a living five years from now. However, we have survived so far and I live in hopes.

Philena wants to sell the house in Lawrence and I think she will push it during the summer season. She may even come to Lawrence for a few weeks in order to further the matter on. I personally am extremely fond of Lawrence and her people and because we are selling the house in Lawrence and buying in California does not mean you will be forgotten.

One good argument for bringing Philena here is that the Soviets, within the last three months, have brought 50 women and children to their Legation here. They all came through the U.S. so there seems to be no question of transportation.

About six weeks ago I was up at the front in the north. I visited the fierce battle fields which the jungle has now taken over, but there are still many remains of the conflict. Debris scattered about, wrecked guns, tanks, trucks and so forth. I visited three cemeteries where over 700 of our boys are buried. The best souvenir I brought back was a piece of metal which I tore ^{off} a Jap Zero, from which I have made a very attractive wrist-band for my watch. The duraluminum is soft and pliable. The battles there must have been very terrific. There was one road sign which interested me tremendously. It was in the jungle at the beginning of a road. It was a large sign reading as follows:-

ORO BAY

DOBODURO - TOKYO ROAD

"There are many roads which lead to Tokyo.

We shall neglect none of them".

President Roosevelt.

The effect of such a sign was tremendous upon all of us who have seen it. The roadwork from there on is truly remarkable and I came back with a great impression of the strength of our forces there. You notice that action has started all along the line in the north. It will be extremely difficult to go far ahead because of the nature of the country, but I have faith in our boys and our leaders. There are many other things about which I would like to tell you but cannot do so at this time. I have many friends out in this theater, whom you read about, and I have seen them all on numerous occasions. I might mention the following names, and the fact that these men are here is known to everybody. They include Generals MacArthur, Eichelberger, Whitehead, Vandergrift, Fuller, Sutherland, Kenney, Kreuger and others. You probably know Whitehead and Fuller. I shall probably not go as far north again for some time though I may cross the continent

to the West and North-West during August and September. There is some risk in this travel, accidents, such as happened to Colonel Riggs, are potential at any time.

I recently spent ten days at the Federal Capital watching the final session of the Commonwealth Parliament. By comparison our Congress is an orderly and decorous body. The extremes here are too great and neither body will deal fairly with the other. The Australian voter is probably about one-third labor, one-third ultra-conservative and the poor middle third has to choose between the two. I hope whichever party wins the election in August will really run the Government, because it seems impossible for either party to operate a coalition Government. I know personally 63 out of 110 men who constituted the Cabinet, Commonwealth Senate and the House of Representatives. Some of them I know very well. In fact I shall be the guest of four or five of the best of these on my trip out, for which I am leaving in a couple of days or so.

I have found the Rotary Club a very fine means for contact in the various places I go. I have given several speeches lately on the "American Citizen" and was honored by being asked to speak to the Melbourne Club a couple of weeks ago. I have sent Karl Kloor some of the comments on the recent talk.

The Minister's new residence will probably be completed before the New Year and we are hoping to sing our Christmas Carols there next December. I am certainly fond of the Johnsons and they seem to reciprocate as well.

6/11/15 I see Mr. Wendell Wilkie is laying his plans to run for President again, and that some of the parties in some of the States are determined to nominate General MacArthur anyway. The newspapers here gave quite an account of the friction between union officials and the President and also the slap back Congress gave in regard to several mistakes which were vetoed. In fact it seems to be that the people here have lately tried to point out some of the weak spots in our country and thus trying to hide some of their own, and they do have plenty. The relationship between our peoples here remains very fine due largely, I think, to the appreciative character of the Australians and the fact that most of our boys are very considerate. I did read that more than 600 of our boys are married to Australian girls and that there were 5000 others who wanted to do so. Its probably a good thing that I am not young and single for there are some very attractive ladies here.

I am always happy to hear from you and I hope you will remember me most kindly to Gertrude. You will have to come and see us in our Californian home.

Very cordially yours,

Karl F. Baldwin

September 29, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Don Freeman
Route 3--Tree Tops
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce and Don:

I am sending you herewith a letter I have just received from Julia and my answer thereto. I believe you will have the same opinion that I have formed regarding her condition.

We had your good letter yesterday and I am glad to know that everything is moving along properly. I hope that Godderz has done his work by this time and if not, perhaps you had better have a plumber from Brainerd do it as a single freeze could cause us a great deal of expense.

Gertie and I talk a great deal of the very pleasant time that we had during the four weeks we were in Minnesota. I think it rather astounding that you and Don, with no very great experience, developed such a fine and useful garden.

We love you a lot and appreciate all that you do. Our vacation and that of Dolph and family would have been impossible without your kindness and cooperation.

With lots of love, I am

As ever

Your brother

September 29, 1943

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville
7539 Colfax Avenue
Chicago 49, Illinois

Dear Julia:

Your letter of the 26th was received this morning and it did me a world of good. It indicates to me an excellent frame of mind, clear thinking, and wise judgment. Judging entirely from the tone of the letter, I should say that you are materially better and that we all have reasons to be encouraged over your improvement. This is not said to jolly you along, but is a sincere expression of my analysis of your letter.

We are very glad that Mary Jule has been with you. Both Gertie and I talked with her in regard to the very tender relationship that existed between you and your granddaughter and we were very greatly gratified that we recently received a letter from Mary Jule in which she expressed appreciation for what we had said. She said that we had been right in our advice and she was very glad that we had talked with her and that she had gone to Chicago. Mary Jule has a lot of good qualities and good sense. We have to consider the fact that her little sister left us many years ago and that Mary Jule was reared by her mother who left us when Mary Jule was only fourteen or fifteen years old. Under the circumstances I think she has developed into a mighty fine woman. She has the respect and admiration of those who know her. She has kept her head up in spite of the serious handicap at times occasioned by her skin trouble. She is popular with the young folks she knows. I am very happy that she has found such a pleasant and cordial relationship with the Stoughs.

I see that the idea of a small place is intriguing you as it is also Gertie and me. Gertie has found housekeeping at our cabin at Gull Lake almost like playing whereas to keep up our large home is really work. If I were you, however, I should certainly not have more than five acres, and even three acres would give you room for a cow, chickens, garden, etc., without the greater responsibility of a larger place.

September 29, 1943

I think that Charlie has been very faithful and loving in his care of you. I think you mean everything in the world to him. You are his anchor and his mainsail. Your realization of this relationship, as indicated in your letter, gives me more hope than ever of your complete recovery. I am so happy that you are cooperating in every way that you can.

I still think that if you could in any possible way get back to a proper use of daylight, it would be helpful, but after years of being up late at night, it undoubtedly would be hard for you to change. There is something so nice, however, about the sunrise, the freshness of the morning air, the invigoration of starting with the day, and the restfulness of going to bed at night that I feel it would be fine for you if you could find it possible to make the change.

We have not yet secured a marked for Etoile's grave because of the inability to get granite similar to the other markers. I shall call the marble works again today to see if anything can be done.

I am very glad that the work is progressing on the garage and its apartment and hope that it can soon be completed.

With very much love and very great appreciation of all that you are and have been, I am as ever

Your loving brother,

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville

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As ever

Your loving brother

September 23, 1943

Miss Mabel Schendel
1335 Vermont Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mabel:

If you would like to come back to us, please state the terms acceptable to you for our consideration.

We shall make what we call the "North Room" the maid's room and have fitted the bed with a new Seally inner spring mattress. Someone is going to have it pretty nice.

We have a woman trying out for a week. She is willing, but lacks experience, and Mrs. Simons really needs someone who can go ahead with the work.

Sincerely,

W. C. Simons

WCS:df

Oklahoma City Store



Mildred Porch, Credit Dept.
Judy Calkins, Gift Dept. Clerk
Kathryne Dodd, Record Clerk
Jackie Yount, Record Clerk
Ed. P. Horne, Furn. and Radio, Salesman
Patricia Yount, Record Clerk
James Wooley, Piano Shop Finisher
J. R. Coulson, 15 yrs. Radio Service man
C. W. Tutt, Furn., Radio Salesman
Maurine Urban, Sheet Music Clerk
E. C. Calkins, 6 yrs., Musical Mdse. Dept.
Eula Urban Sheet music clerk
Elsie O'Brien, Sheet music clerk
Mildred Chastain, 9 yrs. Bookkeeper
Merritt Young Mgr. Furn. Dept
Ann Adams, Service Dept. Clerk

Alta Roof, Cashier
Marlin Weatherington, Porter
Fred Briscoe, Porter
Other employees not in the picture are:
W. P. "Kid" McDonald (Veteran of 37 years and allergic to cameras)
Carl Chilton, Truck driver
Earl B. Fleming, 22 yrs. Piano salesman
Olivia Nelson, 11 yrs., P. B. X. Opr. Control Clerk
M. E. Nicholson, 15 yrs., Furn. radio salesman
G. E. Perry, 12 yrs. Mgr. Mus. Mdse. and Gifts
Ethelyn Stout, 25 yrs. Stenographer
Fay Thompson, Floor walker
Homer L. Leonard, Piano Shop helper

business are Messrs. W. P. MacDonald, George Mauck, Miss Ethelyn Stout, Messrs. Borch, Robbins, Spencer and Braehme of the piano shop; in fact, the entire personell that has manned this branch through the years are marked contributing factors.

Mr. Snedeker recalls a favorite quotation of the late J. W. Jenkins: "The clerk can make or break the store". With this adage in mind, the Oklahoma City personel did a big job of merchandising—over \$14,000,000 worth of goods have been passed on to customers by this Jenkins branch store.

Today the home of Jenkins at Oklahoma City is a store that is the admiration of visitors and the pride of employees, a very beautiful and thoroughly modern establishment.

Closing his story of the Oklahoma City Store, and his 35 years service with our company (28 as manager), Mr. Snedeker philosophizes: "These years have been eventful ones with more happiness than disappointment. Ours is a business that I have always believed offered an opportunity to be of worth-while service to the community. Ours is a plan of merchandising that dignifies the calling. Certainly there is nothing about our business that need impair one's health or restrict the opportunity for getting something worth-while out of life each day. I can truthfully say that after these many years, something new and interesting comes up every day in this business."

NEWS FROM WICHITA

Everyone here is glad that our severe summer heat has faded into the past as we know that it will be a means for every one to be in a better frame of mind and more ready to settle down for the fall season and to cash in on the fall business that we expect and hope to get.

Things have been humming in our furniture department but there is yet room for much improvement. One of the high lights of last month's activities in that department was the sale of over \$700.00 to one customer by Herbert Wright of Dunbar furniture. Mighty nice sale, we would say but we can stand a lot more just like it and wouldn't it be nice if we could get in the habit of making one like this every other day.

No more than had our Mirr-A-Pianos arrived than Nate Stark jumped right in and sold both of them.

Laura Mary Potter, our genial switchboard operator and office help, took on a better half and is now known as Mrs. James P. Pfeffer. He is in the armed forces, the last whereabouts was Albuquerque, but is not quite sure just where now. Any way we wish them both lots of luck.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins III and Mr. F. C. Howard spent two days with us recently and we gained many beneficial points from their visit. Also Mr. Fowler spent several days with us during August so we have been blessed with company from Kansas City recently.

JOPLIN HAS GOOD MONTH

In spite of shortages and non-existences of merchandise we have always depended on for our volume of business, we went over our quota and had a good month in August. This is attributed to our new departments, Furniture and Floor Coverings, and House and Giftware, which are coming along nicely. We expect to do even better in these departments in the months preceding Christmas. Our patrons continue to express their approval of the new lines of merchandise we are carrying, and we are getting new customers every day through our window displays. We are thankful for the quantity, quality, and variety of the new merchandise we have to show and sell. We realize and appreciate that this is made possible by the fine work of the Wholesale department heads, and through the cooperation of Paul, John, and Fred Jenkins. Our motto is, "Get the merchandise for us, and we will sell it, regardless of what it may be."

The office force received another visit from Mr. Fowler last week. We enjoyed having him, and hope that he will come back soon. We also enjoyed the short time Frank Burgard spent with us, and appreciate the really fine displays he worked out for us.

Mrs. Opal Sails is no longer numbered among the missing. Her splendid recovery from the major operation she underwent in June has been remarkable, and everyone in the store is "tickled pink" to see her back.

The new face in our office is Miss Ann Ackerson, who has been with us for the past few weeks. We wish to welcome her, and sincerely hope that she will be with us permanently.

Mrs. Petty is really proud of the addition of greeting cards to her sheet music department. The Christmas cards are certainly lovely, and she is sure that she will have no trouble at all in selling all she has.

BELTRAND QUILTS GIVING KISSES WITH WAR STAMPS

Well the third War Bond Drive is on and in a very big way. We have a very attractive window that should really help sell bonds. We are finding that Bonds are easier to sell than Defense Stamps. I used to have to offer a kiss (Candy) with the stamps I sold, but with Bonds I only have to hand them a fountain pen to write out their checks with. Maybe I'm losing my kiss appeal. Anyway they are really buying Bonds in a big way.

We had a very nice visit from Mr. Fowler that we enjoyed very much.

Every one got a very good rest over Labor Day and was able to take good care of the many customers that came in the store Tuesday. It looked more like Saturday.

Our store really looks pretty since Betty Jones has rearranged our Gift Department with new ideas from Mr. Steve Slaks trip to Kansas City.

We think we have a very smart boss man. He has devised a very good plan to keep our customers satisfied and to bring them back into the store.

The plan is as follows:

If we do not have an item a customer calls for we take their name, address and telephone number. We file the card and when the item comes in we call the customer. Another good plan of his that we are using successfully in our store is when a customer calls for something that we do not have we call other stores that will be likely to have them and try to locate the item if possible. This plan saves the customer much time and valuable "Shoe Leather". You would be surprised how much the customer appreciates this service.

Well here comes a man who might buy a bond and I want to beat the boss to him so—bye, bye, buy bonds.

Fort Smith

W. W. BRADFORD TO STAY IN COLORADO

Our good friend, W. W. Bradford, of the piano sales department at 1217, has decided to stay with Colorado, his old love. He sent greetings to all Jenkins associates but is going to live again in sky-high Denver. Goodbye and good luck, "Brad".

IT'S "GRAND POP" WALLACE NOW

Bill Wallace has looked old enough for a long time to be grandfather. However it never happened till last week, when he received word of the arrival of William Carlyle Wallace, weight 7 3/4 pounds. The baby's father is a First Lieutenant of Artillery on duty at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

WHO'S GETTING HIS OUT OF THIS WAR?

Most of us find it easy to point an accusing finger at the other fellow.

It's human to think that you're taking it on the chin ahead of the next guy. It's easy to assume that you're making the biggest sacrifices.

Are you so sure?

Who really knows? The other fellow's grass always looks the greenest. Maybe he thinks you have it soft.

The President has said, "Each and every one of us will have to give up things to which we are accustomed. We shall have to live our lives with less."

Yet there are people, and you've heard them, who are asking for more . . . loudly . . . gimme guys . . . calling out for all kinds of special favors.

They don't seem to know that you can't make guns and grind axes at the same time.

The one job of every American is to win this war. We'll do it by asking not "what more can I get?" but "what more can I do?"

We are indebted to the Old King Cole Company of Canton, Ohio for this fine thought.

AUGUST SALES LIST SLIM

The August list of sales by non-sales employees looks like the slimmest in history. Steve Slack batted high as usual, but every one else is off. With all the new goods we have to talk about we should pick up sales everywhere.

SALES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1943

Here is Mr. Everley's list:

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Cliff Adams, 2	Herman Lewis, 1
E. E. Armstrong, 1	L. Mellon, 1
Mae Artz, 1	M. Morris, 1
Albert Buddemeyer 1	M. Singleton, 1
Bette Dunn, 2	G. Whitefield, 1
James Lawrence, 1	

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

Stevenson Slack, 10

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Eleanor Pollard, 1	Thelma Snodgrass, 1
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Jenkins Newspaper "Ads" LEAD the FIELD

—Chicago Experts Say

One of our wholesale representatives on a recent visit to Chicago interviewed the two largest retail advertising authorities in the United States, and was greatly surprised upon showing them certain of our dealer hookup ads to learn that they considered our daily newspaper display ads were among the best, appearing in the Metropolitan papers today.

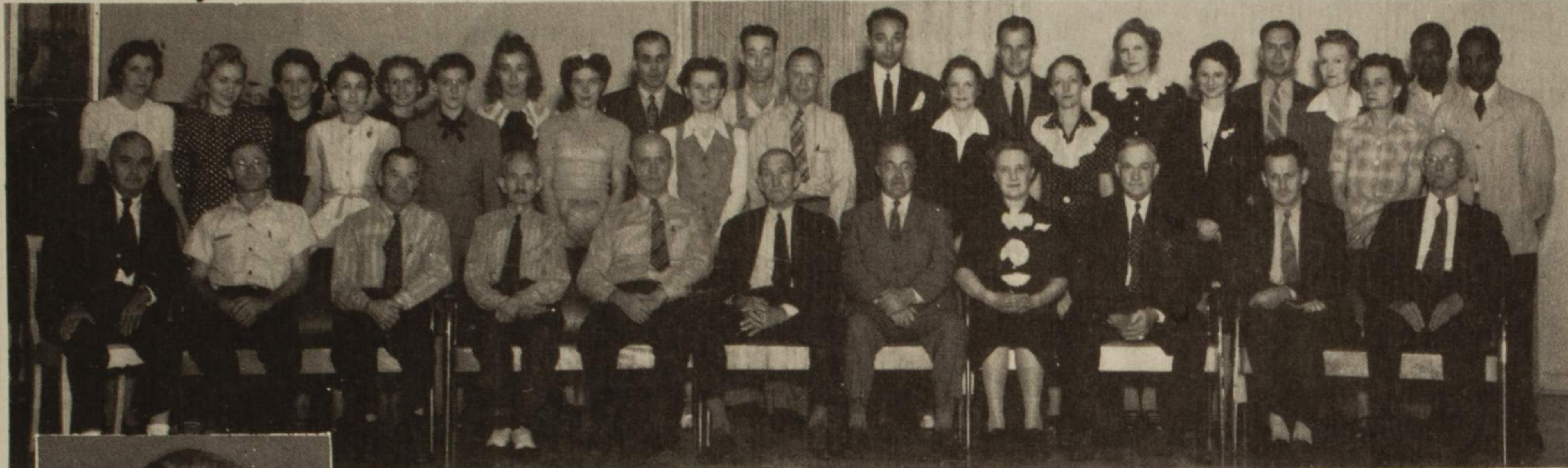
Their arrangement, display and readability makes them outstanding—the selling copy is so worded as to convey the message in the fewest words—"the sales punch."

Our representative was so impressed with their frankness that he lost no time, upon returning to Kansas City, to convey this good news to the proper authority, who is passing same on with the hope that those individuals concerned with advertising in our organization will take full advantage of our Advertising Department which is under the capable supervision of Mr. C. W. Kanaga, better known to many as "Grand Pap."

We feel we are fortunate in having the services of a man with the broad and thorough experience Mr. Kanaga has had. For example:—his years of retail customer sales experience, his broad knowledge of merchandise, his background of newspaper experience, coupled with his aptitude for art and display give him a thorough knowledge to properly display, layout and inject sales appeal in all advertisements, which have proved their pulling power in a direct check on our daily retail sales. This is a background hard to find in any one individual, and, coupled with the statement of the above mentioned authorities, is proof to us that our Advertising Department is in capable hands.

This article was written and printed herein without his knowledge—although he is the Editor

Do You Know Our Oklahoma City Store



E. N. SNEDEKER

Front row—left to right:—
W. D. Borch, 30 yrs., Tuner
Earl Robbins, 24 yrs., Shop Foreman
D. F. Spencer, 20 yrs., Tuner
T. A. Brehme, 24 yrs., Action man
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Geo. J. Mauck, 34 yrs., Piano Sales
E. M. Snedeker, 38 yrs., Manager
Thelma Snodgrass, 25 yrs., Sheet Music
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V. E. Wickham, 19 yrs., Radio Service
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Back row—left to right:
Janette Lawrence, 14 yrs; Mgr. Record Dept.
Faye Groom, Record Clerk
Marion Haberle, Sheet Music Clerk
Eleanor Pollard, Credit Dept.

Mildred Porch, Credit Dept.
Judy Calkins, Gift Dept. Clerk
Kathryne Dodd, Record Clerk
Jackie Yount, Record Clerk
Ed. P. Horne, Furn. and Radio, Salesman.
Patricia Yount, Record Clerk
James Wooley, Piano Shop Finisher
J. R. Coulson, 15 yrs. Radio Service man

C. W. Tutt, Furn., Radio Salesman
Maurine Urban, Sheet Music Clerk
E. C. Calkins, 6 yrs., Musical Mdse. Dept.
Eula Urban Sheet music clerk
Elsie O'Brian, Sheet music clerk
Mildred Chastain, 9 yrs, Bookkeeper
Merritt Young Mgr. Furn. Dept
Ann Adams, Service Dept. Clerk

Alta Roof, Cashier
Marlin Weatherington, Porter
Fred Briscoe, Porter

Other employees not in the picture are:
W. P. "Kid" McDonald (Veteran of 37 years and allergic to cameras)
Carl Chilton, Truck driver
Earl B. Fleming, 22 yrs, Piano salesman
Olivia Nelson, 11 yrs., P. B. X. Opr. Control Clerk
M. E. Nicholson, 15 yrs., Furn. radio salesman
G. E. Perry, 12 yrs, Mgr. Mus. Mdse. and Gifts
Ethelyn Stout, 25 yrs. Stenographer
Fay Thompson, Floor walker
Homer L. Leonard, Piano Shop helper

business are Messrs. W. P. MacDonald, George Mauck, Miss Ethelyn Stout, Messrs. Borch, Robbins, Spencer and Brehme of the piano shop; in fact, the entire personell that has manned this branch through the years are marked contributing factors.

Mr. Snedeker recalls a favorite quotation of the late J. W. Jenkins: "The clerk can make or break the store". With this adage in mind, the Oklahoma City personel did a big job of merchandising—over \$14,000.-000 worth of goods have been passed on to customers by this Jenkins branch store.

Today the home of Jenkins at Oklahoma City is a store that is the admiration of visitors and the pride of employees, a very beautiful and thoroughly modern establishment.

Closing his story of the Oklahoma City Store, and his 35 years service with our company (28 as manager), Mr. Snedeker philosophizes: "These years have been eventful ones with more happiness than disappointment. Ours is a business that I have always believed offered an opportunity to be of worth-while service to the community. Ours is a plan of merchandising that dignifies the calling. Certainly there is nothing about our business that need impair one's health or restrict the opportunity for getting something worth-while out of life each day. I can truthfully say that after these many years, something new and interesting comes up every day in this business."

NEWS FROM WICHITA

Everyone here is glad that our severe summer heat has faded into the past as we know that it will be a means for every one to be in a better frame of mind and more ready to settle down for the fall season and to cash in on the fall business that we expect and hope to get.

Things have been humming in our furniture department but there is yet room for much improvement. One of the high lights of last month's activities in that department was the sale of over \$700.00 to one customer by Herbert Wright of Dunbar furniture. Mighty nice sale, we would say but we can stand a lot more just like it and wouldn't it be nice if we could get in the habit of making one like this every other day.

No more than had our Mirr-A-Pianos arrived than Nate Stark jumped right in and sold both of them.

Laura Mary Potter, our genial switchboard operator and office help, took on a better half and is now known as Mrs. James P. Pfeffer. He is in the armed forces, the last whereabouts was Albuquerque, but is not quite sure just where now. Any way we wish them both lots of luck.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins III and Mr. F. C. Howard spent two days with us recently and we gained many beneficial points from their visit. Also Mr. Fowler spent several days with us during August so we have been blessed with company from Kansas City recently.

JOPLIN HAS GOOD MONTH

In spite of shortages and non-existences of merchandise we have always depended on for our volume of business, we went over our quota and had a good month in August. This is attributed to our new departments, Furniture and Floor Coverings, and House and Giftware, which are coming along nicely. We expect to do even better in these departments in the months preceding Christmas. Our patrons continue to express their approval of the new lines of merchandise we are carrying, and we are getting new customers every day through our window displays. We are thankful for the quantity, quality, and variety of the new merchandise we have to show and sell. We realize and appreciate that this is made possible by the fine work of the Wholesale department heads, and through the cooperation of Paul, John, and Fred Jenkins. Our motto is, "Get the merchandise for us, and we will sell it, regardless of what it may be."

The office force received another visit from Mr. Fowler last week. We enjoyed having him, and hope that he will come back soon.

We also enjoyed the short time Frank Burgard spent with us, and appreciate the really fine displays he worked out for us.

Mrs. Opal Sails is no longer numbered among the missing. Her splendid recovery from the major operation she underwent in June has been remarkable, and everyone in the store is "tickled pink" to see her back.

The new face in our office is Miss Ann Ackerson, who has been with us for the past few weeks. We wish to welcome her, and sincerely hope that she will be with us permanently.

Mrs. Petty is really proud of the addition of greeting cards to her sheet music department. The Christmas cards are certainly lovely, and she is sure that she will have no trouble at all in selling all she has.

BELTRAND QUILTS GIVING KISSES WITH WAR STAMPS

Well the third War Bond Drive is on and in a very big way. We have a very attractive window that should really help sell bonds. We are finding that Bonds are easier to sell than Defense Stamps. I used to have to offer a kiss (Candy) with the stamps I sold, but with Bonds I only have to hand them a fountain pen to write out their checks with. Maybe I'm losing my kiss appeal. Anyway they are really buying Bonds in a big way.

We had a very nice visit from Mr. Fowler that we enjoyed very much.

Every one got a very good rest over Labor Day and was able to take good care of the many customers that came in the store Tuesday. It looked more like Saturday.

Our store really looks pretty since Betty Jones has rearranged our Gift Department with new ideas from Mr. Steve Slaks trip to Kansas City.

We think we have a very smart boss man. He has devised a very good plan to keep our customers satisfied and to bring them back into the store.

The plan is as follows:

If we do not have an item a customer calls for we take their name, address and telephone number. We file the card and when the item comes in we call the customer. Another good plan of his that we are using successfully in our store is when a customer calls for something that we do not have we call other stores that will be likely to have them and try to locate the item if possible. This plan saves the customer much time and valuable "Shoe Leather". You would be surprised how much the customer appreciates this service.

Well here comes a man who might buy a bond and I want to beat the boss to him so—**bye, bye, buy bonds.**

Fort Smith

W. W. BRADFORD TO STAY IN COLORADO

Our good friend, W. W. Bradford, of the piano sales department at 1217, has decided to stay with Colorado, his old love. He sent greetings to all Jenkins associates but is going to live again in sky-high Denver. Goodbye and good luck, "Brad".

IT'S "GRAND POP" WALLACE NOW

Bill Wallace has looked old enough for a long time to be grandfather. However it never happened till last week, when he received word of the arrival of William Carlyle Wallace, weight 7½ pounds. The baby's father is a First Lieutenant of Artillery on duty at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

WHO'S GETTING HIS OUT OF THIS WAR?

Most of us find it easy to point an accusing finger at the other fellow.

It's human to think that you're taking it on the chin ahead of the next guy. It's easy to assume that you're making the biggest sacrifices.

Are you so sure?

Who really knows? The other fellow's grass always looks the greenest. Maybe he thinks you have it soft.

The President has said, "Each and every one of us will have to give up things to which we are accustomed. We shall have to live our lives with less."

Yet there are people, and you've heard them, who are asking for more . . . loudly . . . gimme guys . . . calling out for all kinds of special favors.

They don't seem to know that you can't make guns and grind axes at the same time.

The one job of every American is to win this war. We'll do it by asking not "what more can I get?" but "what more can I do?"

We are indebted to the Old King Cole Company of Canton, Ohio for this fine thought.

AUGUST SALES LIST SLIM

The August list of sales by non-sales employees looks like the slimmest in history. Steve Slack batted high as usual, but every one else is off. With all the new goods we have to talk about we should pick up sales everywhere.

SALES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1943

Here is Mr. Everley's list:

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Cliff Adams, 2	Herman Lewis, 1
E. E. Armstrong, 1	L. Mellon, 1
Mae Artz, 1	M. Morris, 1
Albert Buddemeyer 1	M. Singleton, 1
Bette Dunn, 2	G. Whitefield, 1
James Lawrence, 1	

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

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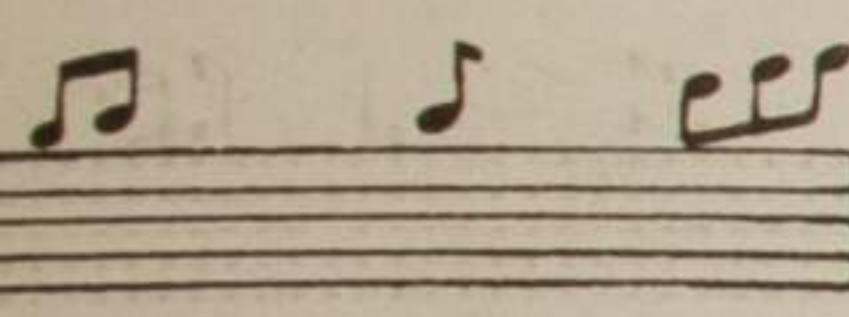
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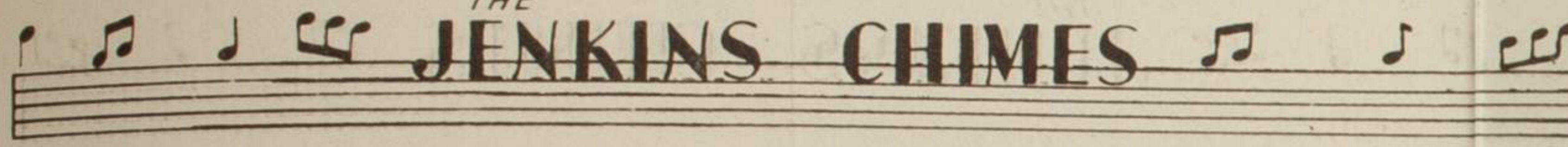


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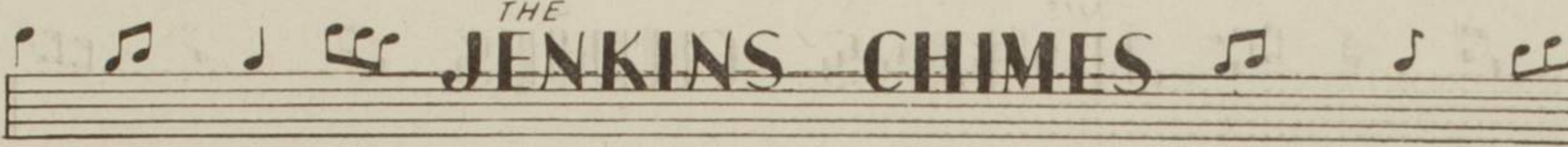
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We also have back with us Mary Jane Dinkle in our sheet music department and from the looks of things Mary Jane is getting ready for a good school business.

Eddie Crossen reports from the Merchandise department, or should we say whats left of the merchandise department, that he started this month with a nice school order to Highland Park High of Topeka for \$500.00. Cpl. Victor Heisse, who bought a Conn Conqueror Trombone and Conn Euphonium from Eddies, still believes in Jenkins service and methods of doing business. Vic has charge of the dance band and military band at Camp Kearns, Utah and still sends back to Topeka for all his music. (By the way Eddie, or rather 4-F has had his theme song changed by Uncle Sam to "I'm in the Army.")

We are off to a good start this month and we are sure that before this month ends we will be right on top. That's all for this time.

TULSA NOTES

As the summer ends we lose our telephone operator, Martha Lou Hickerson to go back to school. Her Dad and Mother took her up to the Lake of the Cherokees for a vacation with them. We received two hand illustrated cards from her of the cabins and swimming hole, so we can imagine we are there too. Martha has been a fine, capable and congenial employee.

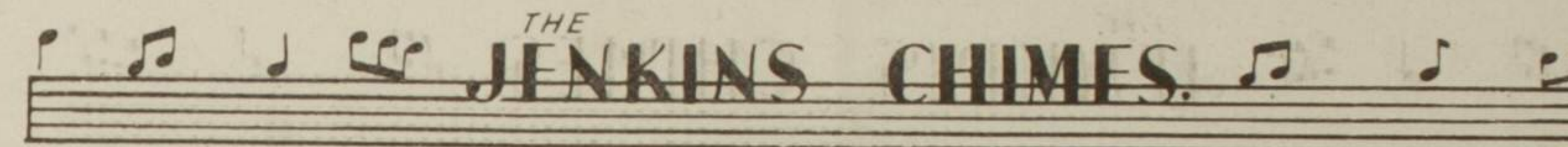
George Howard, our veteran handy-man about the place, resigned September 1st to go to California in defense work. Every one will miss George and wish him the best of luck.

When Mr. Hickerson gets back all vacations will be finished for this year. Thanks to the Company for this consideration, which all of us deeply appreciate, especially since we have just finished a scorcher of a summer.

We are happy to tell you Mrs. Ed Tuttle came out of her serious operation wonderfully well, and is back on her feet again, putting Ed, where he belongs.

We wish you could all see the beautiful windows Mr. Tuttle prepares all the time. We should have pictures of them all.

FLASH Lieut. R. Russell Hickerson has just married Bettie Jane Long of Tulsa at his new base in Homestead, Florida. Congratulations, as they are both swell folks.



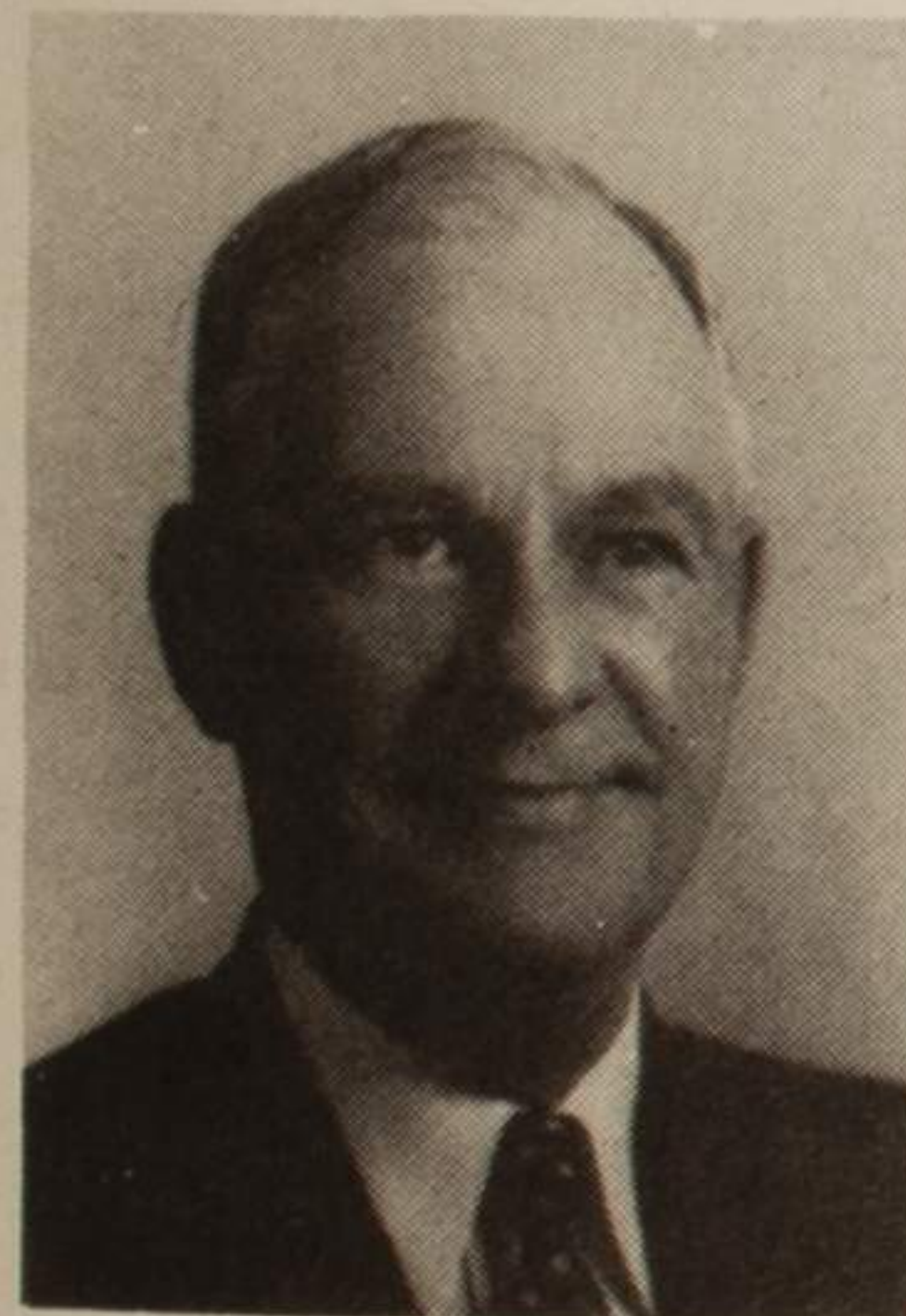
Do You Know Our Retail Radio, Refrigeration, Furniture and Monument Department



E. J. McGrannahan the smiling Irishman whose handsome countenance you see herewith came to Jenkins in February, 1927 as an outside Victrola salesman. In fact, he was a house to house canvasser, bearing the title of "salesman" to keep his morale high. It took "Mac" five years to get to the floor. After a year as a floor-man he went to Wichita as head of the radio department. Two years later he was recalled to Kansas City to head the Retail Radio and Refrigeration Department. He has done a big job here, and has always been a jump ahead of a stock shortage with new things to sell.

Do You Know? That this department of his

- Is the largest retail radio outlet west of the Mississippi River, with radios from \$9.95 to \$2500.00?
Has the best equipped radio service department in the Middle West?
Sells in normal times the following makes: Stromberg Carlson, Capehart Panamuse, RCA-Victor, Philco, General Electric, Emerson, Farnsworth, Fada, Stewart Warner, Freed Eisemann, Federal, Zenith, Montrola, Detrola, Wilcox Gay, Andrea, and Air King?
Was the first in Kansas City to have a radio style show?
Was the first in Kansas City to show and demonstrate Television?
Was the first in Kansas City to show and demonstrate F. M. (Frequency Modulation)?
Sells more Electric Refrigerators than any other strictly Retail store in Greater Kansas City?
Sells the following makes of Electric Refrigerators: Gibson, Stewart Warner, Kelvinator, General Electric, and Philco?
Has shipped over 500 orders to Service Camps in the last year?
Has sold over 1200 pieces of furniture the first eight months of this year?
Has sold 38 Monuments in the first twenty-two days of this business?
Handled over 1100 service jobs in the service department during August?
Has sold this year over two carloads of Streit Slumber Chair?
Has a complete line of Northern Bed Room and Living Room Furniture to offer our customers. (Northern Furniture is to the furniture industry what Stromberg Carlson is to the radio industry).
- Has a complete stock of the famous Sealy Tuftless Mattresses and box springs?
Has imported chests from China (Carved Teakwood exterior-Camphor wood lined)?
Has America's finest line of Baby Buggies?
Has one of Kansas City's largest and newest displays of Occasional and Coffee Tables?
Has a large variety of Floor, Bridge and Boudoir Lamps?
Has a nice selection of Sofas with springs?
Has 35 employees in the department, of which eight have been employed for over 10 years as follows: Bill Smith, 38 yrs; John McMillan, 30 yrs; Harold Bell, 22 yrs; Avery Fouts, 17 yrs; J. T. Allen, 15 yrs; T. W. Ward, 12 yrs; Emil Volkart, 17 yrs; Jim Lawrence, 10 yrs. The balance of employees have been with the Company from one to five years.
Can supply customers with plate glass or plate glass mirrors for any purpose, any size, in a large variety of colors.
Has in the First Floor Small Appliance Department the following items: Waffle Irons, Portable Electric Mixers, Electric Egg Cookers, Copper Tea-kettles, Electric Coffee Makers, Baby Gifts, Servicemen's Gifts, Food Warmers, both non and electric, Citrus Fruit Juicers, Electric Tie Pressers, Fire-King Dinner and Ovenware, 22-piece Beautiful Brownie Sets, Exquisite patterns of Dinnerware, Mexican Jewellery, Cigarette cases and Billfolds (all prices), Kemtone (paint), Onco Wax, Silver and Furniture Polish, Borg Bathroom Scales, Desk Lamps, Sun Lamps, Waldorf Food Mixers, Compacts, and Pen and Pencil Sets, plus many other items?



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THE JENKINS CHIMES

WITH OUR SERVICE MEN

Vincent and Irene Franano



Here's the first War-Wedding picture from the big Jenkins family—looks all right doesn't it? Everyone extends greetings to Vincent Franano and his lovely bride. And by the way the Lieutenant and wife ask the Chimes to thank the Oklahoma City Store folks for helping them to find a place to live and for other kindnesses.

NORMAN GIBSON instructor in Naval radio school, Chicago, is the proud father of a 6 pound 14oz. baby girl, Anne Deanne.

PVT. ART STUHLMAN, JR. is training for radio work in a tank battallion at North Camp Hood, Texas. However he says his training so far consists of washing Jeeps. "Do they have to be clean," writes Art.

RUSSELL JACKSON flight instructor at Altus, Oklahoma, visited friends in the sheet music department a couple of weeks ago.

BOBBY PIERCE writes ye ed, from the farthest advanced base in the Pacific. Says he has been all over that part of the world.

MARTIN JOHNSON is getting ready to move from Camp Barkley, Texas. With temperature there at over a hundred for the last 17 days, he feels like its bound to be a good move. That's what we'd think too.

1ST LT. LYNN BARTLETT saying good-by to buddies on the 5th floor. He is on furlough and thinks it is that one, the one they give preceeding overseas service.

PVT. BILL GEORGE is growing a mustache in the mellowing Australian atmosphere. He likes the Chimes photos. How about a snap of you with a kangaroo, Bill?

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Clyde E. Mitchell	Archie D. Rice
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I. C. Walker	R. I. Kraemer
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Jack Larsen	E. F. Howard
Billy E. George	J. W. Hammer
Robt. L. O'Bryan	Frank Heiler
Vernon List	Norman Gibson
Frank Stevenson	Eugene Lay
John C. Jenkins	Henry Fugate
Ed Burlingame	Kenneth Derks
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Eddie Crossen reports from the Merchandise department, or should we say whats left of the merchandise department, that he started this month with a nice school order to Highland Park High of Topeka for \$500.00. Cpl. Victor Heisse, who bought a Conn Conqueror Trombone and Conn Euphonium from Eddies, still believes in Jenkins service and methods of doing business. Vic has charge of the dance band and military band at Camp Kearns, Utah and still sends back to Topeka for all his music. By the way Eddie, or rather 4-F has had his theme song changed by Uncle Sam to "I'm in the Army."

We are off to a good start this month and we are sure that before this month ends we will be right on top. That's all for this time.

TULSA NOTES

As the summer ends we lose our telephone operator, Martha Lou Hickerson to go back to school. Her Dad and Mother took her up to the Lake of the Cherokees for a vacation with them. We received two hand illustrated cards from her of the cabins and swimming hole, so we can imagine we are there too. Martha has been a fine, capable and congenial employee.

George Howard, our veteran handy-man about the place, resigned September 1st to go to California in defense work. Every one will miss George and wish him the best of luck.

When Mr. Hickerson gets back all vacations will be finished for this year. Thanks to the Company for this consideration, which all of us deeply appreciate, especially since we have just finished a scorcher of a summer.

We are happy to tell you Mrs. Ed Tuttle came put of her serious operation wonderfully well, and is back on her feet again, putting Ed, where he belongs.

We wish you could all see the beautiful windows Mr. Tuttle prepares all the time. We should have pictures of them all.
FLASH. Lieut. R. Russell Hickerson has just married Bettie Jane Long of Tulsa at his new base in Homestead, Florida. Congratulations, as they are both swell folks.

Do You Know Our Retail Furniture



E. J. McGrannahan the smiling you see herewith came to Jenkins salesman. In fact, he was a ho "salesman" to keep his morale floor. After a year as a floor-m department. Two years later he Retail Radio and Refrigeration D has always been a jump ahead

Do You Know

- Is the largest retail radio outlet west of the Mississippi River, with radios from \$9.95 to \$2500.00?
- Has the best equipped radio service department in the Middle West?
- Sells in normal times the following makes: Stromberg Carlson, Capehart Panamuse, RCA-Victor, Philco, General Electric, Emerson, Farnsworth, Fada, Stewart Warner, Freed Eisemann, Federal, Zenith, Montrola, Detrola, Wilcox Gay, Andrea, and Air King?
- Was the first in Kansas City to have a radio style show?
- Was the first in Kansas City to show and demonstrate Television?
- Was the first in Kansas City to show and demonstrate F. M. (Frequency Modulation)?
- Sells more Electric Refrigerators than any other strictly Retail store in Greater Kansas City?
- Sells the following makes of Electric Refrigerators: Gibson, Stewart Warner, Kelvinator, General Electric, and Philco?
- Has shipped over 500 orders to Service Camps in the last year?
- Has sold over 1200 pieces of furniture the first eight months of this year?
- Has sold 38 Monuments in the first twenty-two days of this business?
- Handled over 1100 service jobs in the service department during August?
- Has sold this year over two carloads of Streit Slumber Chair?
- Has a complete line of Northern Bed Room and Living Room Furniture to offer our customers. (Northern Furniture is to the furniture industry what Stromberg Carlson is to the radio industry).

September 22, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
Tree Tops--Route 3
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce & Don:

It is hard for me to realize that only two weeks ago we were having high jinx in your home. We certainly enjoyed it.

The weather has warmed up quite a little here in the last day or two and we have not yet had a frost. When our yard man brought in a bunch of tomatoes today, he said here was about a dollar's worth at the market price. If we should have some rain and the weather would continue warm, we shall have still more.

Gertie put twelve more chicken on ice yesterday. That leaves only twenty of our original white chickens and about eight or nine of the red ones.

I hope by the time the war ends, I shall not be so rickety that I shall hesitate to pull my airplane out of the garage and fly up to see you. Try to see that Pine Beach keeps its airfield in a little better shape than it did this summer.

Please tell Turcotte when you go in that the canned fruit came thru in fine shape without a crack nor a mar. Every time that we pick a raspberry seed out of our teeth, we are going to remember the good times that we had at Gull Lake and the good quality of merchandise and the courteous treatment that we had at the Fairway.

Lovingly,

Your brother

WCS:df

September 22, 1943

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville
7539 Colfax Avenue
Windsor Park Station
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Julia:

We had a real nice letter the other day from Mary Jule. I am sure that her presence in your home has been a pleasure to you, as I know how much you love her and her darling little daughter.

Everything is moving along just so so here at home. Gertie is not sure as yet whether her new maid will be able to handle our work or not, but I hope she will.

Lots of love to each of everyone of you.

Lovingly,

Your brother

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September 22, 1943

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet:

I haven't any news to tell you because you already know that I love you and yours, and I think of you a great many times.

You have been a parent long enough now so that you realize how one can think of a child as an infant and year by year thru the stages they have passed.

That is the way it is with me in thinking about you and always with love and with pride. I have always felt that if you cared to do so that you could gain a wide reputation as an author, and it is not too late to try if the spirit moves you. Conrad, one of the great English authors of Sea Tales began his writing, as I recall, after having reached or passed middle age.

We have had letters both from Charlie Hoinville and from Mary Jule indicating that while Julia's condition is not anywhere near as good as we should like, it must be somewhat improved.

Lots of love to each and everyone of you,

Dad

September 22, 1943

Mrs. Harry Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Dorda:

Received your good letter this morning with the picture of my handsome grandson, Lance, but I shall not be satisfied until I have one also of Charles.

I shall take your letter home tonight and Gertie will answer it in regard to whether you should wear your eartabs or fur muff at the wedding.

I know we shall be glad to see you.

Love to you and yours,

Dad

September 22, 1943

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

It seems rather lonely this week without you. We thoroughly enjoyed having you with us.

I haven't seen anything of Marilyn since you left, but know she is busy. Dorothy says that she was in the office today during the noon hour when I happened to be at home.

I sent the dresses to you by parcel post and you probably have received them.

My love to you, Eileen, and Pat.

Lovingly,

Your father

September 22, 1943

Mr. Clint Kanaga
Jenkins Music Company
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Clint:

I am glad that you sent me the copy of the "Chimes" for September. I think it was mighty nice for your president to write that fine but well deserved article about you. I think that it is very complimentary that your work as a writer of advertisements has received such pronounced recognition.

I know that you always do your best and in your case your best is good.

Give my regards to your fine sons, wife, and daughter.

Sincerely yours,

W. C. Simons

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Sept 18-43

Dear Mr. Simons - May dug up the 50th Anniversary of Quantrell's Raid edition of the Journal World, somewhere & sent it to me last week. What a flock of memories it brought back. And I resolved that I'd write you a letter if nothing more than to send good wishes and express my high personal regards. By the way, if you will open your copy to the Journal World picture page you will be surprised if you pull out a looking glass at the same time. You've held your age well boss - Keep up and at em! You're good for a long long time yet -

Enclosed is a September copy of our house organ, with complimentary article about the editor - (the printer told me that our President wanted the front page for a message to employer - so I was surprised) You can see by the clippings that I reflect my JW training. I try to keep it crowded with names - (looks like our old country correspondence pages - does it not - (no pen notices please - but I thought you'd like to see it - Love to the Simons from Ruth & me - Clint

September 17, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
Tree Tops-Route 3
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce and Don:

We arrived in Kansas City a week ago this morning where Dolph met us. We had breakfast in the Harvey dining room and then came on home. We found that everything at home was in good shape and that the Logans had looked after everything very nicely. The rain which preceded us had caused things to green up a bit. We have not had sufficient rain to make a lush fall pasture, but everything is fairly green.

We have not had any help at home, but I rather think that Gertie will engage someone this afternoon as she has two or three from whom to choose.

Blanche, Pat, and Marilyn arrived Tuesday, and Pat left for Tulsa with his car this morning. Marilyn will enter the University as a sophomore, and Blanche will leave us I think early next week. We have enjoyed very much having them with us.

Gertie or I should have written you earlier, but we both have been very busy. We certainly enjoyed the good fellowship that we had with you and shall be very happy to have you with us whenever you can arrange it.

The packages that I expressed out Friday arrived here on Monday morning. We have not, however, received the fruit that Turcotte was to express to us, and yesterday I dropped him a line telling him that if the delay had been in his store, it was perfectly satisfactory, but if they had sent the box, we should be glad to have them send a tracer after it to see what had happened.

We found Dolph and family well and had our evening meal with them upon our arrival. The next day we had Marie with us for dinner down town, but Dolph and the boys were so full of getting ready for the duck season that we could not have them although the boys and Marie joined us in going to church.