

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