

## Service Notes

Oscar Auten left Thursday after spending an eight day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Auten.

January 9, 1944 Italy

Dear Sirs:  
Today at mail call I received my second issue of The Enterprise since I've been over and they were both addressed to my old address,

which is the cause for me not getting them on time.  
It sure is grand to get the paper, and really catch up on the home town news. Like all the rest of the fellows I really enjoy reading it.

The Service Notes section sure is swell. It kind of keeps you in touch with the home town fellows. Of course, reading the news from the school and its sports, is always a good section to re-read several times, too.

"Thanking you for the paper, and will be looking forward to receiving them in the future."

Pic Wm. (Hip) Holmes.

Corporal James E. Luttman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell O. Luttman, 1821 Melvin Road, Farmington, is now stationed in combat crew training school at the Sioux City, Iowa, army air base where

## GOV. KELLY PROCLAIMS KIWANIS ANNIVERSARY WEEK



This week, January 21 to 27, has been proclaimed Kiwanis Anniversary Week by Governor Harry F. Kelly, in recognition that the first Kiwanis Club was established thirty years ago in Michigan.

Governor Kelly (seated) is shown above as he signs the official proclamation, while looking on (left to right) are Walter Patenge, president of the Lansing Club; Arthur Canfield of Bay City, Governor of the Michigan District; and Joseph Alexanian, Immediate Past Governor from Lansing.

Joseph Himmelsbach is present: Lieutenant Governor of Division One, and has helped plan observance of the Kiwanis anniversary in this Division.

he will take operational training with his crew before going overseas. Corporal Luttman, a runner on a heavy bomber, was an electrical specialist for the Ford Motor Company in Willow Run before entering the service on March 24, 1944.

Somewhere in Belgium  
January 4, 1945

Hi People:  
Being that my writing time has been limited lately, I thought of writing the old home town paper, not only to say hello to every one, but also to inform the editor that I haven't been receiving my edition!

Belgium winters are much like the Michigan winters, cold with plenty of snow. I'm writing this in an old barn, cows, chickens and horses. Just all kinds of company, but it's any place to keep warm now days!

I've seen quite a bit of three countries since leaving the states. After seeing a few more, maybe I'll be able to come home to that wonderful civilian life again.

Here's a hello for all that Farmington gang and I hope to see them all at home, soon.

Bye now,  
Pic R. A. "Dick" Davidson.

The following interesting excerpts were taken from a letter written by Harold Aldrich, to his father, Clarence Aldrich, who is spending part of the winter in New Orleans, Louisiana. Harold writes:

"I'm around the 7th Army front, and in Alsace-Lorraine territory. Most everyone speaks German here, too. At the present time, I am fairly safe and well off. Have had better eats lately than I've ever had overseas, better sleeping facilities and everything. In fact I've had a pretty easy life for a month now. The only real trouble here is airplanes.

"Won't be long now until I'll have two years overseas service. January 5th I'll have 22 months. Don't really seem that long, but how I miss lights all over, drug stores, beds to sleep in, good civilian automobiles, American women, tables and tablecloths with plates.

Sgt. Earl Stirling of the USMC is now stationed at Jacksonville, Florida, where he is receiving further training.

Pvt. Murray H. Long, 29510 Bretton Road, has received a certificate personally signed by his commanding general honoring him for fighting with the 29th Infantry Division from D-Day to St. Lo. The honor is a personal salute from Major General Charles H. Gerhardt to the officers and men who battered their way through flooded areas and the Normandy hedgerows and stormed the key city of St. Lo in a campaign where the taking of every 500 yards was a major battle.

The "Blue and Grey" division has won two unit citations and its members have been awarded 4,620 personal decorations since the outbreak of the war.

fit stormed the invasion beaches. The 116th Infantry Regiment was cited for his pre-H-hour assault and the 115th Infantry Regiment was cited for being the first unit into St. Lo.

Cpl. Arthur R. Goers has arrived safely in India and is in the replacement pool awaiting assignment.

Somewhere in France  
December 13, 1944

Dear Editor:  
Just a few lines to let you know that I received the April issue of the Enterprise, which is the first issue since I left the States, and sure was welcomed, not only by me but also my buddies.

Well, we are now in combat, and really giving the Gories a run for their money. The war news sure looks good, and we are hoping that the war will soon be over.

It seems the closer that we get to Germany the tougher the fighting gets, but the doughboys prove to be much better soldiers than the Gories.

Well I will close now and want to thank you again for this very much appreciated paper.

Sincerely yours,  
Pic Hugh A. Schulkins.

T/S Richard Silver of Camp Gordon Johnston, Florida, is spending a fifteen day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Earl Silver of Pickett. He will return to camp Tuesday, January 30.

Hugh Pascoe, recently of Fort Lewis, Washington, is now stationed at Camp Maxey, Texas.

S/Sgt. Donald Koebel, who has been with the Armed Forces in Africa, England and Cuba, met Pfc Donald McIntyre in camp at Laredo, Texas. They enjoyed a real visit of their school days and their classmates of the class of 1940, when they graduated with honors.

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Damon T. Knight, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Knight, 2319 Cambridge Street, Farmington, has been promoted to the grade of sergeant at the Third Air Force Personnel Depot at Tampa, Florida. A graduate of Farmington High School, Sergeant Knight was a salesman before he entered the army on February 9, 1943, at Detroit.

## Daughters Of Isabella Will Hold Social

The Daughters of Isabella, Our Lady of Sorrows Circle, will hold a social at the home of Mrs. Anna LaPrie, 2492 Edgemont Drive, on Wednesday afternoon, January 31. Luncheon will be served at 12:30, to be followed by an afternoon of games. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

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