

Light after Darkness

This is our brightest Christmas in a long, dark time. Every light on every tree—every window that greets night with cheerful challenge—is a shining symbol of the passing of war's shadow.

There is radiant happiness in family gatherings this year. Men are coming home from war. And those who hear their Christmas carols under strange skies are closer, nearer to home than they have been in a great while.

For many, this will be a wistful Christmas—but a Christmas brave and strong in the knowledge that those who fought victory so dearly will make tomorrow's world a brighter place for us all.



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The Detroit information led Fr. Dollier and Geliné to use Jolliet's route.



Service Notes

Dear Editor:

It has been quite a while since I've written, thanking you for sending me The Farmington Enterprise. I'm still on the Pacific, and still out in the Pacific, and from the looks of things I'll be here for quite a while. We have one thousand Jap soldiers aboard here which we are taking to Sasebo, Japan. We had hopes of going home soon, but now that we won't get to come home for quite a while.

It will be at least four months before we get the Japs from Tientsin, China, so I guess I'll be here for at least four months. I received one of the papers just before we left port, and was glad to get it. It's been over three months since I've received any papers. I thought maybe you weren't sending any more. I've only had time to write a few lines, so I'll close now. It sure is good to get news from home. Thanks for the papers.

Yours truly,
Gilbert Polcyn.

Pvt. Jack Markell is stationed at Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Sgt. Earl Streiling has received his honorable discharge after serving in the U.S.M.C. for 38

months, 18 of which were in the Pacific.

Charles Friedley is home with his honorable discharge after serving with the navy in Guam.

Warren Markle is home with his honorable discharge he received from Patterson Field. He has been stationed in Romulus since May.

Pvt. Donald Ferguson is home on a 15 day furlough after finishing his basic training at Camp Hood Texas.

Staff Sgt. Homer J. Eisenlord Jr. arrived home Tuesday morning after receiving his Honorable Discharge from Chanute Field. He has been in the army for three years, two of which were spent in Europe.

Staff Sgt. Eisenlord lives at 22806 Maple, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer J. Eisenlord Sr.

Pvt. Alford Holmes is stationed with the 6th Army Headquarters under General Kruger in Kyoto, Japan. Kyoto is called the City of Shrines. There are 2700 Shrines in this city. Pvt. Holmes has informed us that with the help of translators, he is learning to speak a little Japanese.

Pfc Gerald J. Williams went aboard a transport from Peiping, China, Nov. 28, for home. Williams said he will be very glad to get home and see his many friends. He is a graduate of Farmington High. Williams has been in service three years.

Staff Sgt. Damon Knight is now in Tokyo. General MacArthur's 1st Headquarters. Pvt. Milton Knight is receiving his basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif.

Among Farmington men who have just received honorable discharges from the Navy are W. E. Hargreaves, EM 3/c, 30715, Ten Mile Road, James E. Bone, EM 3/c, 22615, Tulane Avenue; Edward W. Palmer, Cox, 20015, Merriman Road, and Russell T. Pangel, MMS 2/c, 34613, Nine Mile Road.

Another class of qualified radio operators has been graduated from the Radio School at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Graduates included Private Hamilton I. White, husband of Mrs. Beatrice White, 22146 Hawthorne, Farmington.

Howard R. Taylor, 28115 Baseline Road, and Denis W. Armstrong, 19220 Anisago, Route 2, Farmington, have both been honorably discharged from the Army at the Separation Center at Fort Lewis, Washington.

December 11, 1945
Gentlemen: Just a line to say I am now a civilian again, having received my discharge from the Army on December 6.

I was discharged through the Separation Center at Camp Blanding, Florida. My family has joined me in Sarasota, Florida, where we are vacationing for a short time. We expect to be home in Farmington by the 21st. Many thanks again for the Enterprise.

Ivan B. Clarke.

Farmington Navy men, recently



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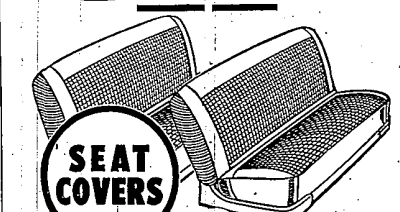
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