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Just a little greeting from an ex-G. I. to all of you absent friends who are battling it out for all of us folks back here on the home front.

We are especially grateful and appreciative during this Thanksgiving season to have such fine sons and daughters giving their all to maintain the traditions handed down to us by all in this glorious country of ours and I hope that you will all return safely to reap the rewards of your sacrifices.

Charles Stadler

## THANKSGIVING

O dear old dull November,  
They don't speak well of you;  
They say your winds are chilling,  
Your skies are seldom blue.  
What if you're dull, a trifle,  
Or just a little gray?  
If not for you we'd never have  
Dear old Thanksgiving Day.



Ralph Jewart A.M.M. 3/c writes:

We've been very busy out here in the Pacific as you no doubt have seen by the papers or heard on the radio. We've sailed into parts that only 48 hours before were 100% Jap. We've seen our own pilots shoot down Jap planes out of the sky and we have knocked out enemy bombers with the ships guns.



Stewart Grant V.3/c says:

I want to thank you for remembering me on my birthday. It feels swell when a fellow knows that the people back home are behind him.

Howard Durni P.M.W. 3/c states:

As you probably know I've been back from overseas duty some time now, & according to the doctors here at the hospital in St. Albans, I'll probably finish the war here in New York. Give my regards to the boys & lets hope we can hold a Field day when its all over.

S/Sgt. Don Gibson (Italy)

The weather has finally cooled off here after being to temperatures of 100 to 110 for the past month. We have gotten quite used to it by now though. I sure wish I could be with you all right now but until the war is over I guess I had better stick around here for awhile.

P.F.C. Ray Koester:

I have been on 7 islands now. Been through two battles on Guadalcanal & New Georgia, & have been to New Zealand for a rest. I had a very good time there but now we are back on this island which I cannot mention the name, & sweating it out till the next battle or what--I don't know.

Pvt. Charles Coniglio (W. Carolina)

I'm glad to hear that all my dear friends are overseas. Maybe in a few months I'll be over there. I hope so, as I am getting tired of the states.

P/O Frank Kislar:

I have been fine except I had a bit of misfortune & had to crash my P-38. I luckily managed to get out, but received a few burns on my arms. Its not bad in the hospital, the nurses are swell. I expect to be out soon. I was fortunate enough to visit Rome and even saw the Pope. St Peter's cathedral is even more beautiful than one can hope to describe

Sgt. Jack Potter informs us:

Can't give you much of a report on the military part of my life up here. This theatre is as strict on that subject as Miss Townsend used to be with her pupils in the old public school.

The local fishing enthusiasts in L.V. would find this place a veritable paradise. In fact its no trouble at all to collect a fine mess of salmon in almost no time. All you do is park your carcass behind a salmonberry bush, wait for a salmon to come up on the bank for berries and then bop him on the head. Simple. Yes! No?

P.S. Thanks for the snapshot of the Aleutian girls??? (Question Mark) reading the Lake View Local.

We received a letter from Cpl. Steve Kislar saying that he arrived safely in the South Pacific.

Sgt. Mary J. Hubbard (Texas)

Say hello to the gang from me and tell them to drop me a line as I would like to hear from them personally. When this war is over and I'm out of the army I certainly will have a lot of fond memories to look back on.

That sure is a swell poem that that Sgt. wrote about heroes from small towns. I really went for it in a big way, sure wish you'd print more like it.

Note: Mary Joan used to live in Lake View and she still remembers how Mr. Powers used to keep her after school for arithmetic. Here's her address: Sgt. Mary J. Hubbard A-217659 4821st S. U. Wac. Det. R. C., Ft. Sam Houston, Texas

Pvt. Leonard Bogdan: (S. Carolina)

I'm sure you people at home cannot possibly appreciate what a gratifying feeling is instilled in us by letters and cards from former friends. It is just such small good deeds which lighten the pangs of lonesomeness and solitude with which a soldier has to contend.

Jack Wilson A.M. 1/c (Pacific Area)

I just missed seeing the gang before they went to Saipan, but I guess that is my luck. Hope to see them soon anyway. There are a lot of fellows from Buffalo & probably a lot from L.V. here, I still have yet to see some one that I know from home.

2/5 Victor Corff tells:

I left merry old England and am now stationed in one of the largest cities in the world---Paris. Even after 4 years of being under the Germans, they still dress very good here. It is no wonder it is the fashion spot of the world. There certainly is plenty to do and see although a Frenchman who had been out of Paris for several years said there is as much change as day & night.

ODDS AND ENDS---Presidential election paving near-a lot of dirt slinging in the campaign speeches-the Democrats seem to think they will win if a big vote turns out. Provided it isn't Republican---the old Christian house being remodeled by Mr. Jewart---everybody seems to be taking a trip to N.Y.---Evelyn Ahr inducted in the WACS---5 stars in George Fierle's window since Rich left---Mr. & Mrs. Al Schardt's daughter, Marguerite, entering the Convent---Bud Hummel receiving an autographed \$5 bill from Al Schacht (famous ball player) for answering a difficult question about baseball---early in the morning neighbors rushing to see Mrs. Alvin Fierle's rare night blooming cereus plant---Al Schoetz breaking his leg (at his age)---Barry Potter being in hospital---Joe DiOric not knowing the difference between beer and linseed oil---Fred Fueller being in hurricane.

## GATHER 'ROUND

The following strip-happy G.I.'s who have been promoted are Ray Hummel --Sgt. and Ralph Fierle---M.A.M. 3/c.

We didn't hear Harry Staffehl grumble about the food at his camp when he was home on a 3 day pass. No foolin' but the new cook at his camp happens to be Raymond Schiedel.

Also home on leave: Joe Meiderman, Fred Fueller, Grace Smith, Herbert Fursel, and Norman Nielsen.

Official word was received by the parents of Sgt. Louis Ahr stating that he was killed in action while flying over Romania.

Louis, who entered the service Feb. 12, 1943 was overseas since May and was turret gunner and radio man in the crew of the "Vicious Vixen". He had completed 16 missions.

A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE  
"Greater love hath no man than this; That he lay down his life for his country."

## RAMBLIN' AROUND

Born to Mr. & Mrs. Charles DiOric on Oct. 15, a bouncing baby boy----- Robert Eugene.

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Wetter are receiving congratulations since birth of a girl---Linda.

Ph.M. 1/c Howard A. Darni was married on Sept. 16, to Miss Patricia Roberts of Blasdell.

Miss Olive Ames of the North Creek Road was married to Mr. Lealie Bailey

Wedding bells also rang for Margaret Koester and Harold Althers of Woodlawn who is in the army.

Its funny, but when Cupid hits the mark he Mrs. it!

Oh say, did you hear that Sam Duff is now minus a car? This is the way we see it: It seems his wheels did not make the curve and slid off the Shaleton crossing with a fast freight coming along full speed. It knocked the car about a mile down the track but no one was injured.

A farewell party was held for Rich Fierle who left for the Army Saturday at Ken & Gert Dobbs. The guests amused themselves by blind folding two people & making them feed each other jello. Other games were played (including P.O.)

A bowling party was also given by the P.H. club at the firehall. Rich received many nice gifts from friends

This year hunting season developed some new laws. Pheasant hunting was only permitted for one week and each person was allowed only 4 birds. Dogs were compelled to wear muzzles so hunters had to use their own smellers. The scarcity of birds was noticed & very few were shot.

#### LATEST SPORTS REPORTS

Ladies tournament high average--- tie between Edith Heil and Betty Spittler---145. High game Betty Spittler with a score of 221.

Men's tournament high average--- Larry Geiger--181. High game Jack Heil---224.

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To our boys and girls who are wondering how this paper is made up; meetings are held once a month at one of the members of the staffs home at which news is brought in & discussed. It is then taken to the Co-editors office to be rewritten, reviewed, and typed.

Next comes the artist, Dolores Heil, for the familiar sites on the front piece, and then to school to be run off the duplicator by Mr. Powers. Lastly it is stapled together, put in envelopes addressed by Estella Fueller, and the mail truck picks it up to be sent to all you "first-raters." A hundred copies are put in the 2 stores and donations are given by those who take a paper.

Word is going around that the Japs are suffering from Aleutinations.

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Joe Patrikus . . . . . Nov. 4  
 Ralph Jewart A.M.M 3/c . . . . . Nov. 9  
 T/S Earl Schiedel . . . . . Nov. 13  
 Sgt. Walter Fierle . . . . . Nov. 15  
 Mary Mayer Cadet Nurse . . . . . Nov. 15  
 Norman Nielsens e e e . . . . . Nov. 17  
 M/Sgt. George Ryan . . . . . Nov. 20  
 Cpl. Samuel Coniglio . . . . . Nov. 20  
 Walter Potopchuck G.M. 2/c . . . . . Nov. 21

Best wishes to you on your birthday, good luck and good friends who are true.

We have some boys in Lake View  
 At the firehall-they don't care what they do

Throw matches on the floor  
 From kitchen to the front door  
 Why don't we all try and be  
 Neat and clean to a "T"  
 So no one will have to scold  
 Or be reminded or told,  
 (Anonymous)

#### BEST-A-MINUTE

Intoxicated man: Knocking furiously on a lamp post.

Policeman: "You better move on. There's nobody home."

Intoxicated man: "There must be. There's a light upstairs."

Tom Pursel: "When are you tallest? When you stand on your feet or when you stand on your head?"

Earl Schiedel: "I don't know."

Tom Pursel: "When you stand on your head, cause you're standing on a block!"

First K.P.: "I hear our cook has fish for tonight."

Second K.P.: "Yum! Do you think he has frog's legs?"

First K.P.: "I couldn't tell. He's wearing pants!"

Maronic Mabel wants to know; if a sick duck can be cured by a quack. If a crack gives a window a pain. If the knights of the Round Table ever had a square meal. If laundry directors sit on an ironing board.