Details of President's Visit at Airfield In Texas Told by Birmingham Youth

Interesting details of the President's recent visit to Randolph Field, Texas, are described in a letter written by Aviation Cadet Kenneth F. Spohr, stationd at San Antonio, sent to his parents the Frank S. Spohrs, 692 West Lincoln avenue. It follows:

"Dear Family:

"Once again the calendar is near Sunday and it will make the seventh one I have spent away from you. Looking back it seems like a very, very long time—so much has happened—there have been so many new sights and people.

"And now I can mention how I spent last Sunday.

"In the morning we were all busy doing last minute shining and cleaning. Then at the noon meal we were told that we were not going to be just an Honor Guard, but an actual guard during part of the day and that we were not to talk about it to anyone, or among ourselves or to write concerning it in letters home for some time—or at least until the newspapers mentioned the incident.

"There were 19 truck loads of us and we entrucked for Kelly Field about 12:30 and about one half hour later we were formed around a section of the railroad track at an intersection at six pace intervals facing in alternate directions at 'parade rest' holding rifles with fixed bayonets and orders to resist anyone who might try to pass to the point of doing them fatal bodily injury. We had to wait perhaps 30 minutes until the train pulled into sight. There were ten cars and as soon as it stopped all sorts of official and unofficial people began stepping off. Of course there were plenty of Army officers from Kelly Field awaiting the arrival of "Who?—" was coming. And then among the people who were getting off the train I saw a well-groomed woman with a black scotty on a leash and I was sure that the man was going to be Mr. Roosevelt. By now most of the waiting cars were filled with men in plain clothes, men in uniform of the Army and even in the uniform of the Navy, all spick and gleaming. Finally at the end of the line of Pullman cars there appeared a hatted figure in a gray suit and wearing a black bank around his left sleeve. The President. He descended by means of a ramp and got into his car. And then the convoy moved off proceeded by numerous motorcycles, and trucks bearing a great deal of fire power all of which was aimed into the air above the long black car on the running board of which stood four plainly dressed men with bulging pockets. In the first motorcycle rode the man known to the nation as the head of the G-Men, J. Edgar Hoover. The Army and Navy were represented well by starred generals and braided admirals in numbers, and then there was the man who signs the dollar bills—Morganthau.

"And off the convoy moved.

"And we were on our way to Randolph Field. This time as the President descended we acted as a guard of honor, standing in long lines on either side of the equally long drive that leads into Randolph. Standing at 'present arms' with fixed bayonets as he drove between our lines. As soon as the convoy disappeared we again took up our post guarding the train until he returned and we saw it pull away.

"Then we ate dinner there at Randolph, which is very beautiful indeed. And then the long ride home, tired and weary, but singing. We had been complimented on our conduct by our officers, their officers and on up to the top—by him.—"

Obituary

ROSCOE WOMACK

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Bell Funeral Home for Roscoe Womack, 3989 Coolidge highway, Troy Township. The Rev. J. O. Nelson will officiate and burial will be at White Chapel cemetery.

Mr. Womack died Sunday at 11:45 a.m. from a broken neck. He was removing props from the roof of a new root cellar when the accident occurred. Evidently the cement in the roof had not thoroughly dried, and the roof caved in on him, killing him at once.

Surviving besides his widow, Grace Brown Womack, are two sons, Carroll T., of Troy Township, and Alva G., of Beaver Dam, Ky.; a daughter, Freda N. Womack, also of Beaver Dam, Ky., three brothers and six sisters.

ALEXANDER LAMOND

Last rites were held yesterday afternoon at the Manley Bailey Funeral Home for Alexander L. Lamond, of 575 Lakeshore road, Grosse Pointe Shores. Dr. Frank Fitt officated and burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery. Mr. Lamond died early Monday morning at the Cottage Hospital, Grosse Pointe, following an illness of two weeks.

Mr. Lamond was born in Scotland in 1880 and was married to Margaret Harkes in Grosse Pointe in 1909. A landscape gradener, he served as superintendent of the George C. Booth estate for 18 years. Leaving here he went to Grosse Pointe where he was superintendent of the Dr. H. N. Torrey estate, a position he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Lamond was a past president of the National Association of Gardeners, an active member of the Grosse Pointe and Eastern Michigan Horticultural Society, and always participated in the annual flower show in Detroit.

Surviving are his widow and three daughters, Mrs. Frank W. Higby and Mrs. James A. Blakley, both of Birmingham, and Virginia Lamond, of Washington, D. C.; also two sisters, Alice Lamond and Mrs. William Paterson, both of Boston, Mass.

MRS. LOLA GRIFFIN GREEN

Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon at the Manley Bailey Funeral Home for Mrs. Lola Griffin Green, of 1509 Holland avenue who died Thursday morning at Harper Hospital, Detroit, following an illness of two weeks. The Rev. Robert T. Burgess officiated at the service and burial was at White Chapel cemetery.

Mrs. Green was born at Marlette, Mich., on Aug. 24, 1914, and 15 years ago moved to Birmingham from Decker. In April 1940 she was married to Arthur H. Green at Franklin, who survives her.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffin, of Birmingham, three sisters, Mrs. James Innes and Mrs. Norman Ferguson, of Rochester, and Mrs. Robert Burgett, of Port Huron and a brother, Emerson Griffin, Birmingham.

MRS. CHRISTINE WEINGART SMITH

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Bell Funeral Home for Mrs. Christine Weingart Smith, 791 Purdy street. The Rev. Theodore Wuggazer, of the English Lutheran Church of the Redeemer officiated and burial was at Archer Woods Cemetery, Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Smith died early Thursday morning of cerebral hemorrhage in the iron lung at the Contagious hospital.

Mrs. Smith was born in 1902 at Chicago, Ill., where she attended school. She has lived in Birmingham for the past 14 years. In 1923 she was married to Henry R. B. Smith at Crown Point, Ind. Surviving besides her husband, are two children, Nelda-Mae and Warren Onley, two brothers and four sisters.

Mrs. Murray to Talk At Adams on Friday

The regular lecture on "Child Guidance," given each Friday afternoon from 2 until 4 o'clock by Mrs. Belle Farley Murray at Adams School, will be held as usual tomorrow afternoon, even though school is not in session. The series is being sponsored by the Adams School P.-T.A.

LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club held a business meeting Wednesday and voted to devote next Wednesday afternoon, after the meeting, to an apple-picking bee at some nearby orchard. Bill Spence, chairman of the club's education committee, spoke on the theme, "Liberty and intelligence, our nation's safety."

In the WAVES

This picture of MARY ANN NEFF (left) was taken by Navy photographers in Detroit and sent to The Eccentric. (Right) Miss WINONA SINGERS.

SCHOOL

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hole at Adams, according to Principal Paul D. Carter, and he referred to an iron safe in a nearby basement. Each room has a pile which will be moved outside into bins. The Student Council plans to get adult aid in moving the heavier things.

Pierce Busy

A big pile is accumulating at Pierce School, where Principal John H. Springman's charges are in full pursuit of the championship. The bin has been placed across from the school where it is convenient for cars to unload. "Next week will be our big week," he declared.

Baldwin High got off to a slow start, but Principal D. L. Pyle was confident that the students would turn loose a lot of power over the week-end. An apple-picking bee has taken the attention of many during the past week.

Persons who have scrap they can not get to a school may leave it at the curb for regular City collection. The next tin can drive will be the last week of October.

APPLE

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of D. L. Pyle, Baldwin principal, students there were organized into groups and given permission to work Friday if they would agree to pick one other day. However, no one was encouraged to work Sunday if for any reason he preferred not to do so.

Many Volunteers

Ambitious people who wanted to go all three days got first consideration, and volunteering pickers far exceeded the demand for helpers. Mr. Pyle said, "I think the community can be well pleased by the splendid co-operation of students during this emergency."

The first contingent of pickers started out Saturday, Sept. 27, and it is believed the job will go on throughout October.

Help for potato-digging was another call that came to the Harvest Committee and several people have come through with glorious backaches all for the cause of the Irish "onion." This, naturally, is not as popular as working with apples, possibly because the rate of pay is only seven cents a bushel.

This week offers an especially fine opportunity for students to pitch in and pick. For with the Michigan Education Association meeting in Detroit, making today and Friday holidays, there are four straight days in which to save the fruit and potatoes.

Junior Auxiliary

Busily contacting everyone in Birmingham Monday on apple-picking were members of the A.W.V.S. junior auxiliary. They represent the Defense Center and especially want to register out-of-school people who can work throughout the week and are going right down the telephone book so that no one will be missed.

An added stimulus for high school girls is the fact that time spent at apple-picking counts as credit hours of work toward the wearing of an A.W.V.S. uniform.

The fun and work of harvesting the ripe fruit is not limited to youngsters alone since the whole Rotary Club is planning on working as a body a week from Monday.

Other communities which are helping the farmer, though not on as large a scale as Birmingham, are Ferndale, South Lyons, Pontiac, Walled Lake and Mt. Clemens.

INFANT DIES

Funeral services were held from the Manley Bailey Funeral Home on Saturday morning for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Martin, 264 Ferndale avenue. The Rev. Fr. Ralph V. Barton conducted a prayer service and burial was at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

Four Girls Join Naval Auxiliary

Birmingham comes to the fore in Michigan in sending four young women to the WAVES, the women's auxiliary to the U. S. Navy.

They are Mary Ann Neff, of 863 Knox avenue; Winona Hattie Singers, 525 Park street; Elizabeth May Miller, 1016 Knox avenue and Doris Groves, 166 W. Lincoln avenue.

Miss Neff, the daughter of Mrs. Helen Wagner Neff, of Birmingham, left Wednesday afternoon for Stillwater, Okla., where at the school for yeomen at Oklahoma A and M she will be trained to replace some sea-bound yeoman of the reserve, now stationed ashore. Miss Neff is a graduate of Baldwin High School and the Detroit Commercial College. She has been employed for the past eight months by the General Motors in the Overseas Operations divisions.

Miss Singers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Singers, also left for the yoeman school at Okla. She was graduated from Baldwin High and attended Wayne University and Pontiac Business Institute. Miss Singers has been employed as a private secretary for some time by the personnel department of Pontiac Motor Co.

Miss Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller, has been assigned to the radio operator's school at the University of Wisconsin, and will leave for there today. Miss Miller, a graduate of Baldwin and Pontiac Business Institute, was one of two recruits picked to appear on a WWJ radio program on Monday afternoon—the first two enlisted WAVES to be on the radio in this area. She has been employed in the Cheer Shop.

Miss Groves, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Groves, will attend the storekeepers' school at Bloomington, Ind., and will be leaving today. She is a graduate of Baldwin High School and has been in the employ of the Detroit-Edison Company.

CHILDREN

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village five years ago while on a cruise and have kept in close contact with the town-people ever since.

At the party today, the young guests, ranging from 5 to 12 in years, will wrap their own gifts and with the help of Mrs. Russell Barnes will address the cards in French. Other things to go in the pencils and crayons for the school, and the favors and candy which ordinarily would go to the party guests.

Mrs. J. W. Bampton is to be there to sing some French Christmas songs for the children and Miss Kate Poucher is coming from the Baldwin Public Library to tell French Christmas stories.

Assisting Mrs. Rathbone, besides Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Bampton will be Mrs. Henry S. Schmidt, Mrs. Robert F. G. Copeland, and Mrs. William Plate.

Fort Knox Team Plays U. of D. Sunday

Although the University of Detroit team is by no means a small one this year, the Titans will look like midgets compared to the gigantic outfit that Fort Knox will present here on Sunday, Oct. 11. The visitors will be by far the heaviest eleven that the Red and White will encounter this season and it is going to be strictly a battle of speed and cunning against mass. It is no secret that Detroit expects to play a wide open game against the boys from the Armored Force, because the board of strategy realizes that it cannot hope to get anywhere in a test of brute strength.

Tea Will NOT Be Rationed

Yes, tea will not be rationed next Friday afternoon, Oct. 13, from 4 until 6 o'clock at the Birmingham Community House, when the Birmingham Junior League will hold forth at its semi-annual "Bundle Tea." Open to everyone, in fact, everyone is being urged to attend, this tea is the one time that the Junior League asks for contributions to help run its Thrift Shop, a year around feature, at the Community House.

Only requirement for admittance to the tea party is a bundle of still wearable clothing, and household articles such as dishes, furniture, etc. These articles will be used to refill the shelves of the Thrift Shop, where clothes and household goods are sold at an extremely low price to those who could not otherwise afford to buy, and to those who are in need, but do not wish to accept aid.

As an added attraction, door prizes will be offered to the people attending the tea. These prizes have already been chosen from the Junior League Shop in Detroit, and from all reports are most desirable.

Last year $1,200 was cleared by the Thrift Shop, this is in spite of the fact that everything is sold at ridiculously low prices, and of course all money made by the League is immediately turned over to the Birmingham Community Fund.

Students Pay $725 In Bond Assembly

Digging down deep in a school-wide gesture of patriotism last Thursday during assembly, Baldwin students bought $725.37 worth of bonds and stamps from 20 salesmen.

Sale of bonds brought in $431.25 while stamps accounted for the remaining $294.12. Many students collected their stamps in the form of hairbows, corsages, and boutonnieers which were made by members of the A.W.V.S. junior auxiliary.

Before and after the ten minute intermission when bonds and stamps were sold, Claire Rose Kean, Baldwin junior; Harold Kean, her father; and the Music Makers of radio fame sang several popular tunes. They have previously sung at rallies in several Detroit theatres.

Chairman for the program was Larry Johnson, and Fred Jeffers manned the table at which bonds were sold.

High contributing home room was Miss Merle Taylor's; Miss Margaret Cook's came in second and Mrs. Adele Halladay's third.

FORMER

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holds an honorary Ll. B. degree from Notre Dame University and twice was a vice president of Rotary International.

When war broke out in the Pacific he had just returned from a tour through China, Burma, Thailand, French Indo-China, British Malay and the Dutch East Indies. He had written a series of articles on his observations and experiences on this tour which ran in his own newspapers and were published all over America through a leading news syndicate. They predicted that war in the Pacific was imminent, and exposed the fifth column activities in the countries he visited which were preparing for it.

These articles have since won for him the Pulitzer Prize for the best interpretative correspondence of 1941—the first time this coveted journalistic award has ever gone outside continental America.

As a speaker Colonel Romulo is perhaps even better known to Americans than as a writer. He was vice-president of the Rotary International, and has visited America often. In 1940, at the Rotary International Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, an audience of 14,000 stood up and cheered him in what was one of the greatest ovations ever given a speaker there.

When he addressed the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., in July, he was given a standing ovation and has since spoken for many kinds of audiences throughout the country.

With the Collegians

Rockford College

ROCKFORD, Ill.—At the annual fall Minstrel Show held on the Rockford College campus, Oct. 3, Miss Jeannine Colgrove, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Colgrove, 452 Puritan Rd., was a member of the lively cast. Miss Colgrove is a member of the sophomore class at the Rockford, Illinois, school.

Cornell University

ITHACA, N. Y.—BILL VALASKA of Rivenoak Avenue, and JOHN EUSTIS, of Linden Avenue, have been pledged to Delta Chi fraternity at Cornell University where they are freshmen.

Bradford Junior College College

BRADFORD, Mass.—Two Birmingham girls have entered Bradford Junior College, Bradford, Mass., which opened recently for its 140th year. They are NATALIE SEAHOLM, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Seaholm of 856 Kennesaw Road; and JOAN M. TAYLOR, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Taylor of 988 Madison Avenue.

Hillsdale College

HILLSDALE, Mich.—ELIZABETH STOLL of Birmingham is one of 22 freshmen girls at Hillsdale College to be pledged today to Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. Miss Stoll is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stoll, Jr., of 691 Bloomfield court.

WRONG FRATERNITY

Some member of the news bureau at Denison University sent us the wrong information about Bruce Randall, of Birmingham. Bruce was pledged to Phi Gamma Delta and not Phi Delta Theta.

PLEDGED

Patricia Teed, of Birmingham is one of 26 freshman girls at Hillsdale College to be pledged today to the Chi Omega sorority.

Miss Teed is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Teed of 1371 Pierce.

Kenyon College

Word comes from Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio, that WALKER M. BAGBY, a freshman, was recently pledged to Beta Theta Pi fraternity and that AL VALPEY, also a freshman, has been pledged to Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Ohio Wesleyan University

FAYE ANDERSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson, of Lake Park drive, has enrolled as a sophomore at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio. Last year Faye attended the Stuart School in Boston, Mass.

EVERYONE wants something. Cash in on articles which are no longer valuable to you with a want ad.

Cass Town Hall To Start Oct. 16, With Round Table

The popular University of Chicago Round Table, authorities, T. V. Smith, Louis Wirth and Maynard C. Krueger, will open the 14th season of the Detroit Town Hall at the Cass Theatre, on Friday, Oct. 16, at 11 a.m. Discussing basic issues of the world today, the Round Table subject is "A Design For American Reconstruction."

T. V. Smith, a charter member and familiar voice of the Round Table, has held the chair of philosophy at Chicago University since 1927. Louis Wirth is professor of Sociology and Associate Dean of the Social Science Division. Maynard C. Krueger, brilliant young political economist with an international background of research covering Paris, Berlin and Geneva, is teacher and lecturer. He has been professor of economics since 1932 at Chicago University.

Cash-on-the-Line New Army Policy

Credit purchases at Fort Custer will be abolished four weeks from now when under directions from the War Department all Army enterprises will go on a cash basis. Officers, enlisted men, and civilian employes of the War Department are equally affected by the order.

The new policy will greatly reduce the amount of administrative paper work, which is further aggravated by the transfer of individuals and units from one post to another.

Try an Eccentric Classified Ad.

Former Resident Of China to Speak At AAUW, Oct. 14

Mrs. Oscar G. Starrett, of Detroit, has chosen "Here is China" as the title of her talk to be given before members of the Birmingham Branch of the American Association of University Women, next Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the Community House. Mrs. Starrett has lived in China for fifteen years as a student, a teacher, and a political observer.

She taught History and English at the Western China Union University, in Chengtu, China, and was a student at Canton University in Chengtu, working in Oriental studies. She also is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College.

Mrs. J. E. Williams, assisted by Mrs. Mark Frank and Mrs. William Jackson, is in charge of the tea to be served immediately after the meeting.

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