# How Are the Boys Taking It?

**(Editor's note—This is a third article written by the Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph. D., relating his experiences after six weeks in Army camps.)**

Civilians are interested in the morale of men in uniform but they are not at all complimented when they learn the facts. To be brutally frank, the average man in uniform faces the present emergency with much more grace than the average civilian. The men who are to fight and give their lives realize that there is a big job to do and they are girding themselves for that job. The average civilian is complacent and assumes the attitude that "something will turn up" and after a while things will be normal again.

**Experience on Train**

I can illustrate my point with a personal experience. I was traveling out of St. Louis and went into the diner for dinner. Part of my work was to talk to soldiers, so I watched for the opportunity to eat with one. Sure enough, as I entered the diner I saw a private eating alone. I asked the steward if I might sit with him. He appeared to be nervous and did not talk readily. I soon discovered that the waiter was not very gracious. Privates have very little money with which to tip waiters. The waiter was rushing him. It was the first day of sugar rationing and the soldier accepted his ration of sugar, used it and said nothing. This soldier was a teacher in civilian life. When he was drafted into the service he had almost completed his Ph. D. at Harvard. He was writing a thesis on a part of the history of Kansas. To go to the Army meant interrupted plans and blasted ambitions. He did not complain, but looked forward to the day when "this is all over," and when he could again return to his life's work.

When the soldier left the diner a well-dressed business man sat down in his place. He was accustomed to good meals. He had an expense account and knew how to tip effectively. He ordered his meal and received his ration of sugar. He raised such violent objection concerning his portion of sugar that the waiter gave him all he wanted. The attitude of these two men at the table represents the two classes of people in their morale. The soldier is giving up everything and doing it in a commendable way. The civilian is getting good wages, more food than he can eat, striking on the slightest pretense and complaining because the government has asked him to cooperate in the preservation of materials vital for victory. The soldier knows that this conflict is not a mere maneuver and he is preparing for the worst. The civilian thinks that he can tip his way to victory.

**Spoke in Guard House**

I visited one military post almost daily for a month. There are probably 30,000 men stationed there all the time. On one visit I spoke to the men in the guard house, about 175 of them. The three major offenses for which soldiers are sentenced and imprisoned are AWOL, stealing government property, and going to sleep on guard duty. If such punishment were imposed upon the civilian population there would be few cities of 30,000 population with less than 200 people in their jails.

One afternoon I fell into conversation with a boy on the bus. He was very sullen and low in spirit. He had been discharged. He said, "I would rather be on my way anywhere than on my way home now." Ironically enough, when I asked him where his home was he said, "Detroit, Michigan."

One Sabbath morning I was to preach in the post chapel at one of the air bases. I arrived early and one soldier came early. He came walking up to the chapel with his Bible under his arm as big as life itself. I introduced myself, and we fell into conversation. He was from New Mexico and was at one time a member of the New Mexico National Guard. About a year ago he got impatient. He wanted "to see some action" and asked to be transferred. After he was sent to an air base in Texas his outfit embarked for the Philippines. When the siege came they escaped to Corregidor and were fighting a hopeless battle at the moment that we were talking. He actually seemed sincere when he expressed regret that he was not in Corregidor "in action" with his buddies. I learned later that 1,400 boys from New Mexico were reported missing after the fall of Corregidor. This comes close home. I visited their place of training 13 months ago, and knew some of them personally.

**A Soldiers' Picnic**

One Saturday afternoon I was invited to go on a picnic with a group of soldiers. One of the churches provided the hot dogs, and frioles, and a ranchman in the Church invited us to his ranch House, about 175 miles out from San Antonio. The commanding officer let us go in Army trucks. I was with this group for six hours. They sang, joked, and played practical jokes with an enthusiasm that was invigorating. It would do some Birmingham civilians good to ride just 60 miles in an army truck. They would be better satisfied and more willing to accept certain inconveniences about which they have made loud complaint. They would be less belligerent over "walking to the store," and a little less insistent on having only four radios, not counting the two in the cars, and a little less enthusiastic to burn precious rubber to make unnecessary pleasure trips.

Six weeks with the men in the armed service has given me a new respect for our soldiers. They are prepared for the worst. If the time comes when I am called upon to make the supreme sacrifice I pray sincerely to our Father in Heaven to give me the grace to make it as wholeheartedly and as willingly as the average boy now in training.

Fourth Installment: "What Can One Person Do."

# Franklin to Have Real 'Town Hall'

Franklin Village's community hall is to have a series this season which will truly be Town Hall. A series of lectures is being arranged and the first will be Malcolm W. Bingay, Detroit newspaper columnist. He will speak Monday evening, Sept. 14, at 8:30 o'clock.

Sponsored by the Franklin Community Association, this event, which is also the first general meeting of the association, is open to all members, their wives and guests.

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# Underwood Seeks Prosecutor Post

Clyde D. Underwood, Pontiac attorney, announces he will be a Republican candidate for prosecuting attorney at the Sept. 15 primary election.

Mr. Underwood was prosecuting attorney for two terms from 1925 to 1929.

When the Pontiac one-man grand jury was demanded by the Pontiac City Commission last September, Mr. Underwood was named by Judge Charles P. Webster to assist in the examination of witnesses. About the same time he was named a special assistant attorney general to enable him to handle grand jury trials without any question being raised as to his legal right to prosecute such cases.

Mr. Underwood believes a more vigorous and impartial enforcement of the criminal laws is needed in Oakland County and closer co-operation brought about between the Prosecutor's office and the law enforcing officers.

Mr. Underwood is a member of the Elks, American Legion and the All Saints Episcopal Church.

# 'M' Scholarships Are Renewed

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—One hundred eighty-five University of Michigan students from 83 Michigan cities have been awarded renewals of their University Alumni Undergraduate Scholarships for the 1942-43 school year, according to Dean Clarence S. Yoakum, vice-president in charge of educational investigations.

Selections for the original awards were made on the basis of scholarship, character, and financial need from nominations submitted by University of Michigan Clubs, alumnae groups, and alumni throughout the state. Renewals were awarded students maintaining a satisfactory high standard of scholastic attainment.

From Birmingham are Richard A. Harvey, 831 E. Maple road; Eleanor C. Kelly, 707 Ann; Marilette Krejci, Beverly Hills; and Robert C. Peck, 1440 Birmingham boulevard.

# Scrap Rubber Moves to Mills

Michigan's drive for rubber was a success. Scrap rubber is moving out of the state to the stock pile at Cleveland on schedule and at a rate to assure the removal of all rubber by Oct. 1. The few piles now remaining at filling stations are being picked up as rapidly as possible. Limited authorization for rail and motor truck facilities has tended to slow removal, but transportation has been greatly accelerated recently. There are only about a dozen reclaiming mills in the country.

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# Church News

**Holy Name Catholic Church**
Harmon at Woodland
Rev. Fr. David J. Dugan, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Ralph V. Bolton, Assistant
Sunday masses at 7:00, 9, 11 and 12:30.
Daily masses at 7:00 and 8:00 a. m.

**St. James Episcopal Church**
Rev. Warner L. Forsyth, Rector
Phones: Rectory 189, Office 2344
Holy Communion, 8 a. m.
Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.
Holy Communion, 11 a. m., first Sunday of the month.

**First Church of Christ, Scientist**
Chester and Willits Streets
Church each Sunday at 10:30 a. m.
Wednesday at 8 p. m.
"Man" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on September 6.
The Golden Text (Psalms 37:23) is: "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way."
Among the Bible citations is this passage (Gen. 1:26): "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."
Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 185): "Immortal man was and is God's image or idea, even the infinite expression of infinite Mind, and immortal man is coexistent and coeternal with that Mind."

**Calvary Baptist Church**
Lincoln, West of Woodward
Rev. R. T. Burgess, Pastor
Sunday
10:00 a. m. Church School.
11:00 a. m. Worship Service.
6:00 p. m. Baptist Youth Fellowship.
7:30 p. m. Evening Worship Service.
Mrs. Burgess will direct the song service, special music and vocal numbers.
Wednesday—
7:00 p. m. Mid-week church service. The song service under lay direction. You are welcome at Calvary.

**Embury Methodist Church**
Bennaville and Woodward
Dan B. Jorgensen, Pastor
Phone: B'ham 287M or R. O. Lan. 2-3657
Clare Morchead, Church School Supt.
Sunday
9:00 Church School.
10:00 Morning Worship.
7:00 Youth Fellowship.

**St. Hugo of the Hills Church**
Opdyke Road
The Rev. Daniel T. Whelihan, Pastor
Sunday masses at 8:00, 9:00, 11:45 and 12:30.

**United Brethren Church**
Pierce School, near 14 Mile Road
A Community Sunday School is to be started here. Special Children's Day program, Sunday, June 21, at 10 a. m. Everybody welcome.

**Christ Church Cranbrook**
Rev. Charles H. Cadigan, Rector.
Rev. Wm. C. Hamm, Ass't Rector
Rev. Robt. L. DeWitt, Curate
Holy Communion, 8:30 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m.
Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month, 11 a. m.

**Southfield U. P. Church**
10 Mile near Lahser Road
Rev. Frank Boyd, D. D., Pastor
10 a. m. Morning worship.
11 a. m. Church school.
Young People's Hour, 7 p. m.
Choir, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.
Group meetings Wednesday of next week.

**Lutheran Church of the Redeemer**
1300 West Maple
Theo. Wurzaster, M. A., Pastor
Phone 4210
Sunday School—9:30 a. m. Departments for all children beginning at the age of 4. The Pastor's Bible Class for young people and adults meets in the lounge during the Sunday School hour
Morning Worship—11 a. m.

**First Presbyterian Church**
Rev. W. Glen Harris, D. D.—Minister
Miss Julia E. Kagin, Director of Christian Education
David Cowry, Supt. Sabbath School
Sabbath School 9:45. Special fall opening of all departments of Sabbath School (September 13th).
Morning worship 11:00 o'clock, the pastor will preach.
Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock, Bible study and prayer service. Mrs. Lester Stinson will lead the discussion.

**First Baptist Church**
Willits at Bates St.
Rev. Joseph O. Nelson, Pastor
Mr. Thomas Hartle, Church Organist
Mr. Frank Boyers, S. S. Supt.
10:00 Church School. Classes for all ages. Graded materials for children.
11:00 Morning Worship. Music by the Church Choir.
11:00 Nursery for small children.
Wednesday—Prayer Service at 8 o'clock.

**First Methodist Church**
Minister, Rev. Charles C. Borker
Organist—Oscar W. Schmidt
Director of Chorus, Victor Ulrich
Richard B. Sneed, Church School Supt.
Sunday School 9:45.
Grade-I Church School at 10:00, meeting by departments. A welcome for all.
Morning worship, 11:00. Sermon subject: "Why We Work." This will be a sermon on labor. The pastor will be in the pulpit after an absence of five Sundays.
Church School Board Tuesday evening of next week at 7:45.

**Only Once**

A meek little man was in court for a minor offense.

"Were you ever in trouble before?" asked the judge.

"Well, er—er," was the hesitating reply. "I kept a library book too long once and was fined ten cents."

# Happenings of Long Ago

**50 Years Ago**
**Sept. 2, 1892**

"The Alumni Society will have a conundrum supper on Alexander Parks' lawn on Sept. 9.

"The Pine Lake Campers are mostly home now, the last ones in being browned to a beautiful color.

"The wedding of Mr. Caleb Jackson of Southfield to Myra Green of Farmington, was celebrated by a large number of friends of both parties at the home of the bride's parents.

"Rope walking twenty feet above ground with gas pipes for balancing poles is a favorite pastime for our boys. Messrs. Thurlby, Mathewson, Nye and Stephens seem to be the artists, while others are rapidly gaining in proficiency in the dangerous practice.

"Prof. Fox opens the Union School next Monday and with every prospect of a brilliant season of study.

"Tom Edwards is around once more for the first time since the Daines' flat fire, at which time by a jump from the roof he injured his foot so that he has been laid up ever since."

**25 Years Ago**
**Sept. 7, 1917**

"Donald Plumstead has returned from a summer stay at Chautauqua Lake.

"Mr. and Mrs. Fred Park and daughter, Clara, have returned from a trip to Petoskey.

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Vaughan, of Bloomfield Hills, a son, Perry Abraham Vaughan, Jr.

"Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bailey of Clarkston, have been recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nichols on Pierce street.

"Ralph Cotyell is training in the aviation camp at the Mt. Clemens field.

"Spencer Withey, one of the Birmingham boys in the service of his country, was a visitor at his parents' home last week."

**5 Years Ago**
**Sept. 9, 1937**

Funeral services were held Tuesday in St. Dunstan's Chapel, Christ Church Cranbrook for Ellen Virginia Wallace, daughter of Mrs. Grace Booth Wallace, of Lone Pine road, and Harry L. Wallace, of Ann Arbor. She was 18 years old and died following an attack of double pneumonia. Surviving besides her parents were three sisters, Elizabeth, Shirley, and Catharine, and a brother Richard, all at home.

Oakland Hills Country Club has planned a fashion show to which the women members were planning to bring their husbands.

Peggy Allen, Jim Allen, Walter Stecker, and Erwin Coveney, Jr., were to participate in the ping-pong tournament being planned at Pine Lake Country Club.

Mrs. Thelma Bailey was to leave on Wednesday, Sept. 15, for New York where she was to attend the American Legion convention as a national delegate of the Legion Auxiliary.

A New York woman, Mrs. Joseph Paterno, donated the $3,000 iron gate to her estate to the scrap campaign. It weighed ten tons.

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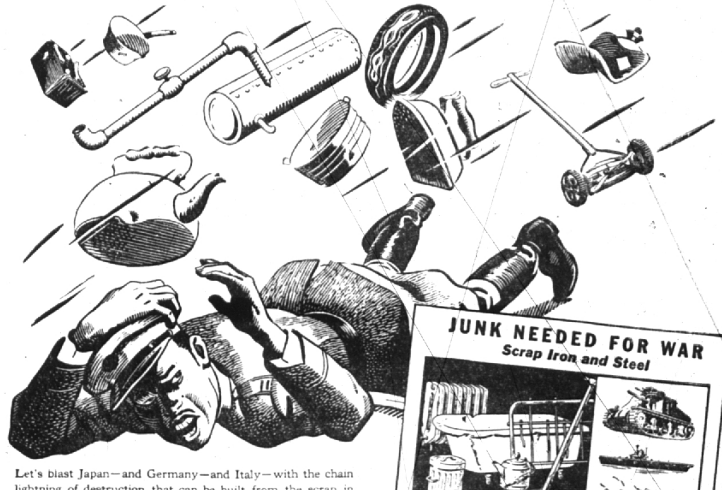
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