SUMMARY OF SERMON
JAN. 16TH, 1944


This is one of the most serious of all words spoken by the Master. It stands superlative, in a cluster of the most pungent and searching of all of our Lord's utterances. Jesus is not speaking to the masses, he doesn't address the crowd, it is as though he singled out Nicodemus or the lawyer or the young Ruler and personally and alone propounded to them the unanswerable question asked twice, as the latter half of Verse 26 reads, or what would a man give in exchange for his soul? If a man has made a bad bargain and lost his soul, what does man possess that could be offered to buy back his own soul? Christ is the only answer, for man has nothing to offer. If a man's soul is of more value than all the world, (which herein is the teaching of Christ) then a man is silly and unworthy of the dignity of man. If a man sets himself to gain the world must give their all, and that all is what is required by God. All thy heart, all thy soul and all thy mind. Matt. 22.37.

This scripture implies the possibility of losing the soul. Of losing the soul! A soul is lost when it is demoted, lowered, degraded, engaged in some occupation lower, and inferior to that for which it was created or designed. Jesus came to lift men out of the pit and establish their goings. If a man has ability to live an exemplary life, but spends his days selling beer, he has lost his soul; if a man has a talent and wraps it in a napkin and hides it from usefulness, he has lost his soul. If a man has any God given gift and refuses or neglects to use it for the glory of God and the good of man, he has lost his soul. Remember the rich farmer that was snug enough in home and body and stomach, and who had fond dreams of mighty harvests and large barns, and then, of idleness and pleasure, eat, drink and be merry, but between the nightfall and the morning hour a messenger called for his soul. Luke 12.19.

Jesus used the figure of profit and loss, a figure well understood wherever men seek for gain. Again it is the superlative, it is a picture of something that never happened and never can happen. For if a man has lost his
soul, if he has made a bad bargain, if he has bartered it off for the evil of the world, he has nothing, to give to get his soul back again. No man that ever lived upon this earth has a gift sufficient to purchase the soul. But thanks be to God for the answer to this unanswerable question, the answer is the Christ who redeemed us. Our money, our goods, our talents all, are of no avail, not even the whole world. What did the Prodigal have to give to buy back the life that was his in the home of his father that he had left for adventures in the world. He had nothing. All was gone. So he did what all should do, he quit the game of evil, he faced homeward, he sought forgiveness of his father, he found his soul. Luke 15. 18.

GEO. M. HULME

BIBLE STUDY LESSON
January 23

JESUS TEACHES IN PARABLES

Golden Text—If any man hath ears to hear, let him hear. Mark 4:23.

A parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. Jesus often illustrated his teaching with common objects familiar to every hearer such as a candle, grapevine, coin, seed, and salt. His Parable of the Sower is a sermon greatly needed at this time when the Word of God is being forced out of men's lives in various ways.

Some are too hard for a seed of truth to ever penetrate beneath the surface. If seed is scattered above ground that is packed the birds soon find it. If we treat the Word of God indifferently, do not open up our hearts and let it sink in, the Evil One is quick to take advantage of our negligence.

Some are too shallow for a seed to root down. There is only a thin coat of soil over the rock of pagan selfishness. They receive the Word gladly at first
but with the hot rays of a merciless sun the young plant shrivels and dies, for it has no endurance.

Some receive the Word and it grows but there is so much else growing along with it that the Word is smothered and dwarfed. The weeds and thorns are worry, the getting and handling of money, unhealthy appetites—all those things which receive preference and thrive with so much more vigor than the things of God, because we let them crowd out the Word.

This is a warning to all lest we become too hard and un receptive, or too shallow and superficial, or too engulfed in personal interests to let the Word of God germinate in our lives. They who accept the Word believe it and act upon it. If the Word denounces a sin, they give it up; if it calls to worship they get ready for church; if it proves the need of prayer, they pray; if it calls them to witness for God, they witness. Who knows what miracles of fruitfulness might result if we should let the Word have room to grow?

Hazel Gillam

MARRIED

Last Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at Community Church, Miss Annabelle Hardy and Mr. Ben Evans, both of Stow, were united in marriage, Rev. Hulme performed the ceremony. The young people will make their home in Akron where Mr. Evans is employed by the Miller Rubber Co.

ARE BETTER SCHOOLS POSSIBLE?

This week I want to say a word regarding the public schools and the influence they yield in America. I want to say that they do not wield nearly as great an influence as they should and want to point out to you why their influence is less than it should be. When I have done this, I believe that you will be able to see how they can be made to have a greater influence and will be impelled to do your part in bringing about the desired change.

I want the American schools to have a greater part in the making of America because I believe in America and the future of her people. I consider the public school one of the three greatest institutions in our national life. I believe the public schools to hold the fate of America. I believe the schools will mold the destiny of America, and I want that destiny
to be high.

The schools cannot bring to America their highest contribution unless we develop among our people a higher regard for the schools and teaching than they hold today. We are not getting from the schools and the pupils a standard of achievement commensurate with the outlay of time and money that we put into them. To this end we need to support the teacher and administrator who demands more and better work from the children. These leaders need to feel that we are back of their efforts and appreciate the higher standards that they are striving hard to attain. School is a serious business. An arithmetic class is not a place to play. That is for the recess hour. Learning is not an easy process although it may be a pleasant one. Accuracy and mastery of principle take study. Get that firmly in mind and let your child know how you feel about it. Then don’t be backward about letting your teacher and superintendent know how you feel. It will give them the courage of their own convictions to know that the fathers and mothers are back of them in their endeavors to raise the all-too-low standards of the public schools. The standards of the public schools are not low because the teacher and superintendent want them to be low. They are just as high as the teacher and superintendent believe you will support. Give them the assurance that you expect more from your child, and in most cases you will get more.

America must dignify her schools and the teaching profession. One thing which detracts from the dignity of the school is the low scale of salaries we pay teachers. Let it be known that the teacher works for twelve hundred dollars after four years of college work and five years of experience in a community where the heads of the homes average six thousand and her influence is reduced materially among those boys and girls. I recently read a statement by a prominent educator to the effect that no teacher should be teaching in the schools today who isn’t worth at least two thousand dollars.

We must dignify the schools if the boys and girls are to get from this institution what America must have them get. We can give them that dignity by employing the best teachers available and then seeing that every last one of us fathers and mothers give them the backing that will encourage them to give to our boys and girls the skills and atti-
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itudes of the higher life. When will we go about the serious business of raising the public schools to a higher place in the estimation of America?

JOE. A. MITTEN

HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETING

A meeting conducted by Miss Anne Henry, County Home Demonstration Agent, will be held Tuesday, January 25th, 10:30 A.M. at Stow Town Hall. Miss Henry will give a talk which is the first in a series on Plans for Wartime Meals. Special attention will be given to meat extenders or substitutes. This meeting is open to the public and each person is asked to bring their own table service and drink.

STOW CHILD STUDY

Mrs. W. Zimmerman and Mrs. J. Thomas will be assisting hostesses for the meeting of the Child Study Club Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. R. Thomas, 360 Gorge Park Blvd. Mrs. Olive Griffith will be the guest speaker. Her subject will be "Child Discipline."

CHOIR NEWS

The choir's Music Committee is in the act of selecting some new music. All choir members, or anyone interested in becoming a part of the choir, will want to attend the regular Thursday evening practices to prepare this.

The choir has lost one of its most faithful members, Clara Gillam, to the SPARS. We, along with the entire Sunday School...
and Church, will miss her very much but do know that the SPARS will be just that much better for having Clara. We wish her all the luck possible.

The following is an excerpt from a recent article found in the January number of The Choir Herald and we believe well worth reprinting.

**Keep Silence Before Him**

“Our churches should be friendly churches. Meeting and greeting one another is one of the very essential parts of our get-togethers there. Yes, there is a time and place for friendly greetings. But that time and place is not when the service has begun in the church auditorium. And the beginning of that service is when the church pianist, or organist, begins the introductory prelude, or even before that. That should put an end to all conversation. ‘The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him!’

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**DEATH**

George Segelhorst, age forty-six, stricken with a heart attack, passed away last Tuesday morning at his home, 734 Hudson Rd. He is survived by his wife Helen; parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Segelhorst and his sister Mrs. Ted Hooper, all of Stow. Funeral services will be held this Friday, 2:00 P. M. at the residence, Rev. L. M. Gregory officiating. Burial will be at Rose Hill cemetery.

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**DEATH**

Funeral services were held last Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kent for 92-year-old Charles F. Bortz, father of Mrs. Elizabeth Corley, formerly of Marsh Road. Mrs. Corley having made her home with her parents in Kent where she cared for them the past few years and has now lost both of them.

Charles, Paul, Josephine, Joseph, Martha and Billy are the Corley grandchildren. Martha and Joe still living on Marsh rd.

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**REVIVAL FIRES**

Rev. Howard H. Carson reports that Revival fires broke out last Sunday evening in the East Graham Rd. Foursquare Gospel Church as evangelist Hazel Gunther and her co-worker evangelist Dorothy Mullin opened a two weeks revival services. Sister Gunther preached a timely message “Meet the New World Half Way.”

If you have not heard sister Gunther preach as yet please afford yourself this opportunity. Revival services are conducted nightly except Monday at 7:30 p.m.

This Sunday evening sister Gunther will preach on the subject, “Hitch-Hiking Christians.” Invite your friends and enjoy these meetings together.

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**STOW PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW**

AUTHOR: ESTABROOKS, GEO.
TITLE: HYPNOTISM.

Ever since the days of Count Mesmer in the 18th century, the strange, natural force which we now know as hypnotism has suffered from exploitation and pretense at the hands of charlatans. Only today is it being realized that the study of hypnotism is, or should be, an important part of the science of the human mind. Professor Estabrooks, a psychologist, comes forward to rescue hypnotism from the disrepute and legend which so long surrounded it. In simple, straightforward language, he tells us exactly how this mysterious condition of the human brain and consciousness can be brought about, what can be done by its means—and also what cannot be done. How the hypnotic trance can be used in medicine, for war purposes, and in other ways. He also shows that hypnotism teaches us about the subconscious human mind.
and explains other mysteries, such as automatic writing and many of the phenomena of so-called spiritualism. While Professor Estabrooks explodes a good many myths and popular superstitions about hypnotism, he makes clear that as a scientific fact the hypnotic trance can be easily induced in many people, even without their knowledge, and then used either for good and beneficent purposes or the opposite. To know the truth about this mysterious force and so to be able to protect ourselves against its misuses is a vital matter for all of us. This plain, definite book is packed with important facts, which will surprise the majority of its readers. The chapter on Hypnotism in Warfare, alone, showing what can be done by its means in getting information from the enemy is an astonishing revelation of the practical uses of hypnotism.

AD NUMBER TWO
HOW COME! No one answers my ad in Dec. 31 edition.
COME ON FOLKS let's get the Fish Creek renewals rolling in, to help the Stockmans keep the paper going. Not only to boost the morale of "Our Girls and Boys" in the Service but a morale "builderupper" of those on the home front.
Only .50 cents per year. Where else can you get a "morale booster" for that price?
True, I have a renewal to send in but from folks who are always asking "When is our renewal due."
Circumstances are such that I cannot come to you for your renewals so won't you please bring them to me.
THANKS
Fern Brittan
(Paid Adv.)
ED. NOTE: To Miss Fern Brittan, maybe every one in Fish Creek has paid their subscription. As we recall enough money has been received from your neighborhoood to more than pay all Fish Creek subscriptions.
H. J. S.

DEFENSE STAMP SALES
Defense stamp sales at the school last week were: Grades, $223.10; Junior High, $177.45; High, $43.65.

PERSONALS
FOR SALE—Young geese, 334 East Graham Rd. or call OV-8687. Richard Brock is home on furlough this week and part of next.
FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom, central location. Call OV-8570. (adv.)
Miss Anna Sancic of Ritchie Rd. has recovered from an attack of pleurisy.
FOR SALE—Coal cook stove in good condition. Call OV-8609. (adv.)
The River Road Club met with Mrs. C. V. Cross Thursday January 20th.
WANTED—Some one to do washing and ironing. Call OV-8934. (adv.)
It's now Sergeant Harry A. Edminster. It seems he got a promotion for Christmas.
FOR SALE—Jenny Lind Bed and Walnut Dresser. Good condition. Call OV-8965. (adv.)
PFC. Roy M. Timmons of Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, was home on furlough this past week.
FOR SALE: One Hot Water Tank. New. Never used. See Thomas and Doran (adv.)
With an attendance of 100%, Mrs. Cumpson's class of girls again won the banner last Sunday.
Pvt. C. G. Hamman is recovering from an attack of pneumonia at the hospital, Camp Wolters, Texas.

Mr. Merle Zimmerman of Oak Road was absent from church last Sunday on account of illness.

Pfc. Lawrence Skibiski of the U. S. Army Air Base at Richmond, Va., was home a four day furlough last week.

Mrs. Wm. Gentry of Brook, Indiana, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Floyd P. Marlow for the past three weeks.

Pfc. Frank Dawson now in the Aleutians recently sent a cablegram home to his mother and his sister, Mrs. Lawrence Skibiski.

Clate Rickett recovering from an attack of pleurisy and pneumonia recently returned from a stay at the Akron City Hospital.

Edward R. Monteith, A/S USNR spent the last weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Monteith, Adeline Dr., Stow.

Mrs. Martha Custer of Munroe Falls, undergoing an operation on Thanksgiving Day, returned to her work at General Tire & Rubber Co. this week.

Sailor Dwight Shaffer, a recent arrival at the Norfolk Navy yard writes home that he is twelve miles out from somewhere helping build barracks.

Cadet Jack Durst, ASTRP, Co. C, 1553 Service Unit, is now attending school at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Jack entered the service January 4th.

Miss Pearl Wolfe and sister Anna, both of Cleveland were visitors last Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Pauline Gavriloff, East Arndale Rd., Stow.

Birthdays celebrated at Bible School last Sunday were those of George Lyon Jr., Mrs. Ed. Davis, Mr. Nathan Long, Mrs. Harry Olson and in absentia, Lt. John H. Olson.

Sailor Warren Franklin, now discharged from a Navy Hospital has been assigned to inactive duty for the next six months. Home right now he hopes to be assigned soon to a station in Cleveland.

It is now CORPORAL Don Carlson. On Tuesday, Jan. 18th, he arrived home from Boca Raton Field for a two week furlough and visit with the home folks.

Sgt. Martin Wineberg, Camp Butner, N. Carolina, has been ill in the hospital for some time with three broken ribs and infection. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. ‘Dud’ Nickerson of Elington Rd. expects to leave Wednesday for a two week stay with Mr. Nickerson’s brother and family in Boston, Mass. We hope she enjoys her visit there.

Lt. John H. Olson writes home of the snow in Idaho and skis to be rented but he being too busy to enjoy the winter sport though he would very much like to have tried it. Just this last week he has been moved to Nebraska.

A letter received recently from George Dike now in Italy, told what he did on Christmas Day. He went to a large city, had a hair cut, a shampoo, hot shower, shoes polished and then attended an opera which he had heard before but enjoyed very much.

Russell W. “Bill” Harper, Jr., A.M.M. 1/c is now in the states and his mother expects him home on furlough shortly. The bomber in which he was flying was wrecked off the coast of Dakar. Bill was knocked out but is reported as O. K. now.

Miss Charlotte Ballis of 182 N. Marcella avenue had her foot broken last Friday, Jan. 14th when a box of castings fell off a table near where she was working at the Falls Screw Products
Co. According to her father, three bones were broken and one was slivered.

Robert Mitchell of Ravenswood, W. Va., formerly of Stow, is reported missing in action over Germany. Not in Europe so very long Robert was a waist gunner in a Flying Fortress. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell at one time was teacher of the Adult Bible Class, also Superintendent of the Bible School at Stow Community Church.

The Ladies Guild of The Stow Community Church met Wednesday at the church for their regular monthly meeting. The ladies assembled about ten o'clock and enjoyed fellowship, sewing carpet rags, a delicious hot dish meal at noon, devotional meeting, business meeting, and more social sewing. If you feel you could enjoy such a gathering, pick up your clean rags for rugs, your hot dish, your table service, your needle and thimble, call the taxi, and bustle down to the church for a pleasant day the third Wednesday of February.

SELECTED
There cometh a day when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more" (Isa. 2:24.) But it awaits the return of the Lord Jesus. Meanwhile the evil of war is permitted to recur from time to time that men may learn from the very excess of their iniquities to hate sin and repent.

If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chron. 7:14.
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Cans cannot be salvaged unless they are properly prepared. They must be washed, labels removed, ends cut out and placed inside, then pressed flat. Rusty cans can be used, however enameled ones cannot.

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SAND—GRAVEL—CINDERS
Seaman Richard Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Scott, who has been officially reported "missing in action" since the USS Truax was lost off the coast of Newfoundland in February 1942, is now officially reported by the Navy as "killed in action."

Richard was a Stow High School student and had attended the Tire Repair school at Good-year Tire and Rubber Company before joining the Navy. His younger brother, Walter, joined the Navy last August and is studying to be an engineer at the University of Minnesota.

Carroll Howard, Avn. MM 3/c son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Howard, Stow, is now sailing some one of the seven seas in an airplane carrier. This, his brother Joe tells us, was his ambition. Incidentally, Joe Howard home on a ten day furlough left for a navy base in Texas this last Monday. While home Joe who has been in the Navy two years received word that he had been commissioned Ensign and was rated as a first class aviation pilot. He flies the Navy blimps which patrol the ocean shipping lanes watching for submarines.

The Valley Sportsmen's Association meet on the third Thursday evening of each month at the Town Hall. Remember the date.

Pvt. Clinton C. Jarrett, ASN 35232807, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Jarrett, 188 Marhofer Ave., in the service only a few short months, writes home that he has "arrived" and that wherever he is he is sleeping between fur blankets. He is in a replacement unit and has nine as an APO number. This would indicate that he is in the same vicinity as some other Stow boys we know. Look him up fellows.

FOR SALE—Team, three year old colts: Guernsey cow and heifer calf; corn, oats, and wheat; also split white ash pickets for rustic fence. Call OV-3150. W. H. Peck, two miles north of Stow on Rt. 91. (adv.)

Visitors at the home of the editor one evening last week were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd P. Marlow, daughter Myra of Marhofer Rd. and Mrs. Marlow's sister, Mrs. Gentry. Mrs. Marlow had with
her a number of interesting and unusual articles from the islands of the South Pacific, some of which were sent home by son Ray, and some came as a gift from the native chief of one of the islands. Perhaps most unusual was a tapa cloth made from the bark of a tree and used as a covering for a table. It was approximately sixty inches square. There were also several mats made from native grass which she says grows quite high, a woven grass purse of unusual design, a double string of beads made from small seashells, also a string of coral beads, and a grass skirt with Myra’s name woven thereon. The last was a gift from the island chief and was made by the chief himself. It was somewhat longer and larger than the present popular American conception of such items of dress. For our benefit Myra attired herself in this dress and we took her picture which we hope turns out to be good. Incidentally, Ray Walk-up has moved again and recent items sent home to his mother would indicate that he is in the land of pineapples.

INCOME TAX RETURNS
If you find your income tax returns too complicated bring them to me. After completing a course with the Collector of Internal Revenue School and several years of experience I will be able to save you time and money.
M. C. JARRETT, 188 Marhofer Ave., OV-8806. —(adv.)

Three distinguished looking gentlemen with top coats, canes and other raiment in keeping, strolled down West Arndale Road last Sunday afternoon about 5:00 P. M. And while they walked they marveled at the numerous well kept homes and the general appearance of prosperity that seemed to prevail.

They agreed that Arndale Road was an almost perfect street, almost perfect, except for one thing, the numerous and apparently regularly spaced chuck holes in the “pavement.” In discussing the matter they wondered if these little character builders, (yes they are character builders, for anyone who hits one with a thin and aged tire must of necessity...
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develop some character to maintain the required dignity and decorum that should mark a resident of this famous street)—let's see where were we? Oh yes!—they wondered if these little character builders would have been present had calcium chloride been used last summer as a dust preventative in place of the dark sticky petroleum product that was laid down in the spring. At any rate the road supervisor would have had one less excuse for not working the road. These gentlemen also wondered if the money spent in administering the gasoline rationing boards of this country could not have been spent to better advantage on our roads. With better roads fewer tires would have been ruined and the same results attained in the end.

Finally, with all their walking and wondering, like all good things, the famous street came to an end and they found themselves face to face with the wilderness. Tall grass, tumbling garage wreck, ruin everywhere. This was the home of the editor. Moved to pity they stopped, offered condolences and left money for subscriptions to the paper.

These distinguished gentlemen with the top coats and the canes were Mr. C. A. Weygandt, superintendent of the Summit County Home, his son-in-law Mr. J. Fred Graham and Mr. Lester Garver, associated with the Stow Dairy.

Come again gentlemen sometime. Maybe the lawn will be mowed, contractors Palmer and Palmer will find time to fix our garage, but, we don't know about the road.

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Class Reporter,
Carolyn Mundy

GRAHAM ROAD NOTES

We are advancing—the interior of our church has been painted. Also the primary and junior departments as well as the auditorium.

We were very glad for the visitors with us Sunday, and for those who have been sick, that were able to be back with us.

Among those who have recovered were: Barbara and Mary Heinbaugh and also Stanley Hargett. These having been quarantined with the measles.

Glad of the good report which we have on Alice Jane, baby daughter of Clarence Trowbridge, who was able to return home from the hospital, where she was confined with pneumonia.

Darrel Clem is home on a short furlough. His wife, the former Helen Mault, is recovering very nicely from her illness.

Among the visitors with us were Mrs. Susan Hutton of Perryapolis, Penna., aunt of Mrs. Clarence Younkin.

The Orem children were also able to attend. They having moved recently to Akron. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Filmore and son of Akron.

LETTER
New Guinea
Jan. 1, 1944

Dear Mr. Stockman:

It has been sometime since I last wrote you and I hope you will forgive my laxness. However, I have been doing considerable moving in the last couple of months and have been unable to keep up with my writing as well as I should like. I am now fairly well settled and hope to do better at least for a while.

I was fortunate to be able to spend a short time in Australia before coming here and liked it quite well there. The climate was nice and it is not too much different from the States, although most things are several years behind in their development at least in the part which we were in.

We were not far from a fairly sized town and were able to visit it several times. This we enjoyed very much.

We had to get used to Australian currency and driving on the left side of the road which of course seemed odd to us. We soon got used to the monetary system and by now have almost forgotten what American money is like for you cannot spend it here nor in Australia very well.

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nearly as nice as Australia. The climate is not as good because of the extremely high humidity. One perspires just sitting around so you can imagine how it is when working.

There are no towns nor stores of any kind. The only signs of civilization I have seen here are those built by the Army.

We have some very fine churches all built of course by the men. Some of them would be a thing of beauty anywhere. Over the Christmas season they had some very nice services.

The natives are quite interesting and they think the Yanks are sure O.K. You should see them riding around in G.I. trucks singing American songs. Some of them are Christians and speak fair English, having been educated by missionaries.

We don't have much recreation here of course. Movies about three times a week, baseball and horseshoes with an occasional swim are about the extent.

We have our camp in pretty good shape now. Our own water supply and showers, mess hall and theater. All in all it isn't as bad as it is sometimes pictured, if only it weren't so far from home.

I have received two copies of the paper since arriving here and am looking forward to the future copies. I again want to thank you and all the good folks in Stow who make it possible for us to receive it.

My best wishes to you and all of my good friends in Stow for a happy and victorious 1944. I surely hope that its end will see most of the boys home again.

Sincerely,
Corp. Clyde Gerber 35595748
APO 503 c-o Postmaster
San Francisco, Calif.

ED. NOTE: We thank you, Corp. Clyde Gerber, for an interesting letter and are pleased to hear as much as you have told us about where you have been, the things you have seen, etc. Though it is not exactly news to us, of particular interest to us is what you say about the men of the army building churches. We do not know, but rather doubt, if there is any other nation now at war (certainly not the Axis) who send their men afar in to the war zones and then build chapels and churches where they may worship God. And we wonder if there has ever been an American war where so many of the fighting men have found God or have come to know him better. While much that is connected with war is evil and is caused and promoted by the Evil One,—still it is our belief that God allows war to come upon a nation for a time so that those who once knew Him but have forgotten may again turn toward Him. And the more quickly we,—as a nation, learn to humble ourself and acknowledge Him in our daily life the sooner will this war end.

Well—we have it in mind to say more—but the clock says ten minutes of seven and in another hour we should be at work for Goodyear—and there is a lot to be accomplished between now and then. Write us another good letter soon.

H. J. S.

This page sponsored by lady from Hudson who wishes to be known only as a friend of the Boys in the Service.

LETTER
Altus, Oklahoma
Jan. 10, 1944

Dear Mr. Stockman:
I am now in a new school, so I will have to have my address changed.

I am now in the last nine weeks of training as an aviation cadet. Then I will be a pilot, I hope!

Mr. Stockman, if you have Lt. William Murray's address, I would appreciate it very much.

You know, there isn't a heck of a lot to write about the other fellows do such a good job of it, they don't leave much for me to write about.

The fellows overseas are doing a grand job, and we fellows in the training camps will soon be over there giving them a helping hand. They have a lot more hardships, but leave it to the American fellows to find the better side.
of the things to look at.
Betty, my wife, is with me and we both look forward to getting the church news, so don't waste anytime in getting my new address into action.

Thanks a million,
Harry

P. S. My new address is:
A/C E. H. Osman 15132353
A. C. D. Class 44-C
A.A.A.F. 4-G-303
Altus, Oklahoma

ED. NOTE: Thanks for the ad-trtor.. As for the address of Lt. R. W. Murray Jr. we have only this: *362 Inf.* Camp White, Medford, Oregon. If it is incorrect maybe his folks will read this and send you the correct address. We would call them tonight, only it is too late. And we would write you a personal letter only we are a full two months behind with that kind of a thing and for a while we are not making any promises. Write again. H. J. S.

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POSTCARD
Jan. 9, 1944

Dear Mr. Stockman:
I want to send my thanks for I have received my first issue of the C. C. News.
It was the December 31st issue; it certainly lets a person know that the things are going on the same. Shall write a letter soon.
A marine,
Pvt. H. C. Osman
Plt. 1144 R. D. M. C. B.
San Diego 41, Calif.

ED. NOTE: We will be looking for that letter.

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V-MAIL LETTER
Jan. 3, 1943

Somewhere on the Rock and Pineapples

Dear Mr. Stockman:
Just a few lines sir. As I was sitting here thinking of you and my friends back home and how nice I had it there, maybe just a little homesick or something today—I thought Gosh! I should write again and thank whoever is responsible for sending me the C. C. News for it sure is a great morale builder, not only for me Mr. Stockman, but for my buddies, too. And sir, some day I hope to show my appreciation to you and whoever that person is who is responsible for sending it to us.

Well Mr. Stockman I am still on what we call the Rock but expect to get another whack at old Tojo soon. Gee! We nearly had a break before we came here. We were headed back from—— to Frisco but after four days at sea, orders were changed and we came here instead. Oh well, that is army life. You don't know one minute to the next what is up but we hope that our next campaign will be our last and after that we will get to come home again. All of us hope that the people back home will quit striking and back us up since we hope that it will be Tokio this time. Surely the strikers can wait that long.

Well Mr. Stockman thanks again for the paper and I promise that if I can I will send you another souvenir at our next stop.

I remain as ever,
Pvt. W. C. Perrin,
ASN 35595740
APO 7 c-o Postmaster
San Francisco, Calif.

ED. NOTE: If our little paper sent to you helps to remind you of the better things at home and in some way makes you feel that we, with all your friends back here, are working for you, praying for you, hoping for a quick victory and a joyous homecoming, then we will feel that what we are doing is well worthwhile.

Personally, we don't think anymore of the strikers or those who threaten to strike than you do. And right now we cannot think of a single person among our acquaintance who has been mixed up in any of the recent labor difficulties. However we will say this: It is our opinion that labor troubles often are due to selfishness on the part of both employee and employer. However, the private in the army has to swallow his pride and take a lot, so likewise in times like these those in industry should keep on the 'ob swallow their pride and selfishness too, and in this way back up you who are doing so much for us. Write again 'ere long.

H. J. S.

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