

Local News Items
PARISH LOCALS

William Harter of the University of Pennsylvania, spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Niles Beley visited friends in Jamesville, Sunday.

Sgt. Arthur LaFarce spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar LaFarce.

The bake sale held by the Onodest class Saturday, Feb. 9th at Glenn Harter's store was very successful. \$8.00 was the proceeds.

Mrs. Andy Lewis is a patient in Memorial hospital, Syracuse.

David Johnson returned to his home in Chittenango Sunday after a week's visit with his cousin, Ward Charles Beley.

Walton Hoyind of Clarks Mills, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Minckler.

S 1/c Carmen Perry of New York, is enjoying a leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Perry and family.

Mrs. F. J. Quinn visited Miss Marie Quinn in Syracuse over the week-end.

Mrs. Rowlan Beley and son, Ward Charles Beley, and Miss Carol House were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. House in Syracuse.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Merrill are visiting relatives in New York.

Carl House, D.D.G.M. and his staff were in Mexico Wednesday evening to install newly elected officers of Arbeit Lodge, No. 168.

Owen Barber and Robert Rood have finished their boot training at Sampson, and are enjoying leaves at their respective homes here.

Miss Marion McGuinness has returned to her work at Rome State School after spending the past two weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McGuinness.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Scriber of Pulaski, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Minckler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz V. Holmes spent the week-end in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Caryl Adams and son David, of Whitney Point, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wightman.

Parish Odd Fellows
Hold Special Meeting

A special meeting will be held Monday evening, Feb. 19th at 8 p. m. in the Lodge rooms of I.O.O.F. Lodge, No. 902. All members are urged to be present.

Members of the Odd Fellows Lodge No. 902 entertained members of the Masonic Lodge at a 6:30 ham supper in the Odd Fellows hall Saturday, Feb. 10th as the result of a card tournament between the Masons and Odd Fellows in which the Odd Fellows lost.

Young People's Forum To
Hold Bake Sale Feb. 24

Members of the Young People's Forum of the Parish Presbyterian and Parish M. E. churches will hold a bake sale Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Market Basket store at 1 p. m. All kinds of baked goods will be for sale.

Parish W. S. C. S. Hold
George Washington Supper

Members of the W.S.C.S. of the Parish M. E. church will hold their annual George Washington supper Thursday, Feb. 22 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wells Harter. The public is invited and sewing begins at 5:30 p. m.

PARISH CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Manning called on her sister and brother, Kate and Lew Black Saturday, Feb. 3. Mrs. Manning also called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fort that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewin Manning and two daughters were guests of Mrs. Manning's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Simmons at Jamesville Sunday, Feb. 4.

Mrs. Roy Wilber and daughter, Theresa spent Wednesday of last week in Syracuse, and again Saturday Mrs. Wilber and daughters were in Syracuse.

Part of the roof on the Fritts school-house broke down under the weight of snow on the roof Wednesday of last week.

Robert Rood has completed his boot training at Sampson and is home on a furlough.

Eddie Antoski underwent an operation at Crouse-Irving hospital one day last week. All hope for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. A. M. Smith is suffering from an attack of shingles. All hope she will soon be well again.

LETTERS FROM OUR BOYS

Syracuse, N. Y.,
January 21, 1945

To the Members of the Parish Red Cross and to all those who helped make the Xmas boxes for the boys. I sure appreciated mine and I know all the boys did. I am home now and wish all the boys could be here too. Thanks a million.

NELSON C. SMITH

January 20, 1945

Dear Red Cross Members,

As you all, no doubt know, I happened to be lucky enough to be home for over Christmas. When I arrived back in camp I found my package from the Red Cross here waiting for me. I wish to thank you all very much. It sure does a fellow good to know that he is not forgotten by his friends back home. I'm not much of a letter writer, so hope you will excuse me for not writing sooner.

Yours truly,
CPL. CARL SCHAAD
December 31, 1944

Dear Ladies,

Thanks very much for the Christmas package. It is very heartening to know that people at home are thinking of them. Have seen Lestrie Pettie over here. English weather is cold, damp and foggy through the winter months. For me I'll take the snow and Parish climate.

Wish to express a very successful New Year to you all. Thanks again for the remembrance.

Regards,
CARL RICHARDS
China, January 13, 1945

Parish Red Cross,

This is Walter Houghton speaking to you from somewhere in China, thanking you all for the swell Christmas package that recently arrived. The articles which you selected was most unique as they are all so useful especially in a place like this where it is impossible to purchase anything. I'm sure every one of the boys who received your packages feel as I do and I wish to thank you again for your kindness.

My part in this war has kept me a long ways from the front lines but it is essential like your job is back in the States. However, our job is similar to the fact that we have to work hard night and day and Sundays and holidays as there can't be any let down until its finished.

The United Special services has did a lot to keep our moral up in this desolate spot by bringing us athletic equipment and movies. My many experiences that I would like to relate will have to wait until I come back.

Sincerely,
WALTER A. HOUGHTON
December 31, 1944

Parish Red Cross,

Just a few lines to let all members know I received the Xmas package that was sent to me this past year. I am very grateful to you all for remembering me during the Xmas season. The package arrived in excellent condition and I am sure I can make good use of all its contents. I appreciate it very much and thank everyone for their efforts in making it possible to send these packages to the home town boys in the service every where. Am sure the other fellows feel as I do.

When I was home last summer I noticed many changes around town. Not many fellows left I guess. All the fellows I used to chum around with are in the service now. There are some younger ones but I don't know many of them. Maybe when this is all over we can have a little get-together which would be very good I think.

Will close now thanking you again for the Xmas package.

Sincerely,
GORDON E. KILTS
France, January 4, 1945

Parish Red Cross,

Dear Friends,
I received my Christmas package yesterday and wish to express my sincere thanks to each and every one that made it possible. I gave the trinkets to some little children that live near us, also the candy. It is a real pleasure to see how they go for such things. They have so little compared to what the children at home have for Christmas or at any time.

All items for myself are very useful and appreciated.

I received a Christmas card from Mayor Baker today and a few days back I received the news letter number 6. I read every word of it and found it very interesting. I will be looking forward to the next one.

Once more I will say thanks to all for everything.

Yours sincerely,
CORP. FRANK M. REED
Iran, Persia

January 8, 1945

The Parish Red Cross,
Parish, New York
Dear Chairman,

My Christmas box arrived a few days ago and I can not tell you in this short space how delighted I was upon receiving it. I am sending you and

your members many thanks from the bottom of my heart.

The box arrived in splendid shape and all its contents were most useful. The doll and the top brought much laughter to my buddies and I. For a short time we all went back to our childhood days and acted as a group of young boys. What such trifles can do to build our moral. The doll is still hanging over my bunk.

With my closing words I shall again thank you many times.

Sincerely,
ELMER L. BLACK

December 30, 1944

Dear Friends,

I have meant for quite a while to write to you to thank you for the fine Christmas package that you have sent me but for some reason or another it just seemed that I didn't have the right words in mind to express my appreciation.

Now that I have finally settled down to writing the letter I still haven't the words except to tell each and everyone at home that we appreciate the things that you all have done to make our Christmas a merry one and in return we shall try to do our

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best to make your New Year a happier one.

This is my second winter away from snow, or at least I haven't seen enough to make a good snowball with and that is something that I have sort of missed because no matter how cold it may get it never seems like winter

without the white cold snowflakes which usually covers the ground around home at this time. Tell me how is the home town faring with old man winter this season?

Thanking you again for your kindness I will close for now,

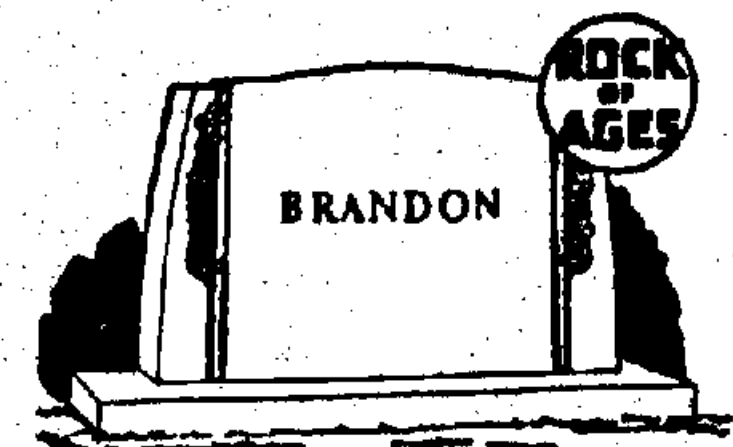
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