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FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
SAINT PAUL

October 27, 1944

Dear Harold:

With the momentous news on the battle of the Philippines it seems a little puerile to be writing you some political gossip but perhaps by the time this letter reaches you things will be quieting down for the Third Fleet for a time and you may be interested in diverting your mind to your old hobby of politics.

I know that you have had a good deal sent you about the Ball episode but I thought you might be interested in the personal observations of various people about it to help you arrive at a composite picture.

I might first refer to one impression made on me last January when I was in Washington with Walter Rosenberry on behalf of your candidacy. There was a full schedule for a day and a half with newspaper men and others and we of course wanted Joe as the front man in the East to participate. In spite of the fact that he had several days' notice of it, he found excuses for not going to a dinner with the newspaper men Saturday night and rather reluctantly agreed to have breakfast with us Sunday morning. He showed up at 11:20, offered no apologies, balled up our day, and in the ten or fifteen minutes he stayed he told us that he felt very uneasy about the moves that were on and didn't know whether he wanted to take part in them, as he felt it would operate to injure Willkie and the international cause. His attitude was a bit of a shock to me but we had no arguments and let it pass. Later on when Joe became convinced that the Willkie move was going to die, he began to take heart. I believe that Joe's statement in the enclosed press clipping confirms this observation I have just made.

When the Balls were on their way back to Washington in September, Helen and I spent an evening with them at Grace Flandrau's and we both went away feeling rather unhappy. Betty was in one of her bad moods. Joe didn't interfere and partially agreed with an attitude she took criticizing everything Republican, that is, individuals, domestic policies, as well as foreign policies, and conversely seeing no evil on the other side. It was really pretty bad and involved some bad manners as well as warped judgment.

About a month ago, or just two weeks before Joe's announcement of defection, I spent an hour with him in his office in Washington.

He was just preparing a speech which he made in the Senate on foreign relations and which I thought was the best thing he had ever done, and told him so. After we got through talking about that we led into the campaign and Joe told me that he didn't see how he could get up any enthusiasm in making any speeches for Dewey; in fact he did not know what he could say in his behalf. I discussed the matter some but went away with a very uneasy feeling. I had some correspondence with Joe subsequently which did not add to my peace of mind, although at no time had he then indicated that he would not vote for Dewey. Joe was difficult to combat with arguments on the relative public statements of Roosevelt and Dewey, as when pressed he would fall back on the defense that it didn't make very much difference what Dewey said—"I wouldn't really trust the guy."

On the day that he made his statement in Saint Paul, I, thinking he was arriving next morning, called up Warren, told him of my concern, and said that I thought that Joe's friends should get him in a room and talk the whole matter out in a thoroughgoing way before he had a chance to spend much time with the press out here, as I was afraid he would reveal a "sulking in his tent" attitude. Warren, who had gleaned some of the same feeling, thought it was a good idea but said that we would have to work fast as Joe was already in town. He called Ed, and Warren and Ed were fixing up such a meeting with Joe for sometime Saturday. To the best of my knowledge Joe talked to none of our mutual friends here on that Friday except that he and Betty went up to see Ed about five o'clock and I saw Ed at a public dinner a couple of hours later, he having just come from the conversation. Ed remarked to me that he thought probably the meeting I had suggested arranging might be worth trying but probably would be unavailing, as he hadn't been able to make a dent in the Balls so far as agreeing to make any speeches for Dewey. Joe did not tell him that he was going to give a statement to the press to that effect that evening and other evidence indicates that that decision developed out of a conversation with Parlin who pressed Joe for reasons why he wasn't campaigning for Dewey. He and Betty dashed off the statement in about thirty minutes; it was handed to Parlin and they then, as you probably know, went up to Warren's house and told him what they had done, rather joking about it and minimizing the effect. It may be significant that Mrs. Burger's comment was that Betty came in with the expression on her face of "the cat that had swallowed the canary".

All in all I wasn't too much surprised nor did I feel any bitterness about the matter, as I didn't then and don't now question Joe's sincerity or courage. Neither do I question the courage of the man who went over Niagara in a barrel and the judgment exercised is about on a par. I do not yield even to Joe in my belief in the importance of the correct international settlements and I even agree with Joe on the focal points he has been discussing in connection with Dumbarton Oaks. I feel as you do that Joe has done a great deal to influence public opinion in matters affecting foreign affairs, and particularly has influenced the Senate, and working within his party could have been one of the most powerful influences in shaping the attitude of the Senate when the crucial votes come. He has unquestionably made a hero of himself with a certain group of independent voters in and out of both parties, but Joe's big contribution

after all as a U. S. Senator could be in assisting to get the right legislation through the Senate and I am afraid he has destroyed much of his influence there.

Joe's defection I fear goes much farther than a difference of opinion on foreign policy, as the speech of his last night indicates. Betty has been and is a New Dealer at heart and she is the stronger personality of the two. I told Warren when Betty became Joe's secretary that I thought that either one of two things would happen: either the relation of Joe's office with his constituents would get so bad that Joe would see it and make a change, or she would ruin Joe. If I had to bet today I would lay my money on the latter but who knows, he may emerge as the great liberal leader. To amplify about the constituents, Joe and Betty got themselves in the frame of mind where they characterize business men (but not labor leaders) who go to Washington to further their own interests as "money grubbers." Joe seems incapable of understanding that the aggressive pursuit of business objectives, while it may have certain unpleasant connotations in a time of war, is after all merely evidence that private enterprise is virile and, looking at it from the good side, is trying to create jobs and opportunities. He could not read some of the lectures he has read to people if he really understood what makes things tick.

I do not feel in the least bitter against Joe, just disappointed and sorry that he is dominated as he is. When I talked with him after the event, I made an effort to be cordial but I did tell him that he put his friends in about the toughest possible position, namely, a position where they could not defend his actions on any other grounds than honest intentions.

I had not always agreed with Joe but had defended him with many business friends, always stating that he was honest and, if given all the facts on an issue, would come up with an intelligent answer—that he was green, had to learn a lot of things but had character, ability, etc., etc. I chose not to appear in public places for three days after Joe's announcement, as I wanted to express a temperate point of view and it was futile to do so until the first intensity of bitterness had worn off.

I suspect that Joe and Betty are happier than they have been for a long time and the very tone of Joe's voice in his speech last night radiated a serenity and sublime confidence which has been lacking for some time. He is like an extreme religious zealot who loses sight of everything else except a single goal and scorns practical means of accomplishing his ideals. In fact he feels so deeply about the sufferings occasioned by this war and his inability to participate actively that he has developed a morbid sacrificial attitude. He will feel better if he does get hurt personally. That is his contribution. In my opinion that characteristic does not extend to Betty.

In attaining his objective, he has forgotten and treats as inconsequential any effect upon your future career. You are astute enough to know that there is plenty of muttering the country over as to what your connection with Joe's defection may be. Your friends are now taking steps, and I think wise ones, to counteract the false impressions which have been

created, some perhaps deliberately, and in that I am not referring to Joe. Joe could have gone much farther than he has, however, to clarify that point.

While the principal thing to consider at the moment is the effect on Dewey's election and any publicity measures must be designed with that first in mind, your friends have not lost sight of other considerations for the long future—the two objectives easily fit together.

Dewey made a great impression here last Tuesday night. There was a big delegation from over the State and an obvious step-up in enthusiasm. As you perhaps have been advised, the Star Journal poll, the Gallup, and now the other private poll with which you are familiar show Dewey as slightly in the lead in Minnesota but it is going to be very close. I believe that intelligent political opinion is that Pennsylvania is the most critical state but, if Dewey can carry that and New York, he has a real chance. Without either one of them he won't get through. Dewey seems to have a very slight edge in New York, and Pennsylvania is anybody's guess.

Dunc is still in the Atlantic but I think probably is headed out your way before long on his subchaser. John got hit in the foot by some flak over Germany about two weeks ago but from his own report is getting on well in the hospital.

Esther spent the evening with us the other night and I have talked with her on the phone several times recently on the matter of current interest. She is doing straight thinking.

Regards.

Sincerely,



Comdr. H. E. Stassen U.S.N.R.
c/o Staff—Commander Third Fleet
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

[1944]

The Judge Advocate General's School
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Sun Oct. 29

Dear H.E.S.

Will I suppose the election will be over and you will have the job fleet
swept by the time you get this.

Have enclosed one or two significant
clippings. Dewey has made some gains
— probably not enough. Ball's action and
stand has received tremendous publicity.
The one-time reaction is probably waning,
the Republican organized reaction is intense
bitter opposition and criticism; the Democrats
of course are applauding and lauding him
as a statesman and I suppose the
independents sort of like it.

Will leave here about the 11th.
Expect ten days leave and hope to get
in a little hunting. Do not yet know
just where I will go then but would
guess midwest Chicago or Washington
for at least a few months.

Great work apparently has been
done in your area and I assume the
possibilities now are tremendous.

Vic apparently has made good and
will stay in Wis. for legislative work etc.

Would like to see Burnett or some
good loyal, live boy get his old job.
This will not happen unless Messers is put in. (mch)

Well I guess there is not much more to say,
undoubtedly the boys both home have kept you
advised with letters and clippings. I saw copies
of Joe O.C. and Vic's letters.

am to be toastmaster at graduation banquet
here Nov. 9 th which will be attended by
General Kramer the Judge Advocate General
and others.

Write what and when you can.

Elmer

1305 N. Taylor St.,
Arlington, Virginia.
31 October 1944.

Mrs. Harold Stassen,
744 Stewart Lane,
So. St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Stassen:

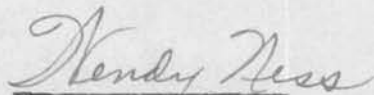
Attached you will find one of numerous articles on Senator Ball, who has so recently deserted the Republican part and the people who put him in office. I hope you will be interested in it, and send it or a copy of it to your husband.

He has definitely shown himself as a traitor to his state and as well to your husband. The newspapers here say that his wife is responsible for his actions, that she had radical leanings. How true that is we don't know, but he alone must take the responsibility of his actions. I have been invited to luncheon with Mrs. Ball, but due to the recent extenuating circumstances, I don't desire to.

It is interesting to note the respect that Commander Stassen has gained in the East. This spring, the Washington Post ran articles on him and his family for three weeks. Having been to New York frequently, I also find their respect for him there is sensational. So many people say that he will some day be president, which is the sincere wish of those of us who have been under his jurisdiction in Minnesota. My husband (in the Service) and myself take every available opportunity to speak of him - just to bring his name before those we are in contact with. And we have yet to find anyone who doubts his chances of being president.

With every sincere wish that you will one day (in the near future) become the First Lady of our America.

Very sincerely yours,


Florence W. Ness

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Copy: Times Herald, Washington, D. C. Thursday 26 October 1944.

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Dear H.E.S:

First, I am enclosing copy of a talk which Esther gave, and I am telling you she did one bang-up job. I hate to think how you would have been feeling had you known before-hand that she was going to do it. I assume the full responsibility of it having been done; I supplied a few ideas, Esther supplied most of them, and Warren wrote it.

She really stole the show. The comment has been most favorable here, as well as around the country. The more I see of her the more I think of her, and she started out high in my estimation.

I have seen considerable of Kathleen. You will have time for nothing else when you get home for she is developing into a beautiful child and so lovable and sweet.

The idea of the broadcast was mine. Tom, Herb, etc., were most enthusiastic. Of course the reason for it was Joe's actions. Also that is the reason for the enclosed letter which has been sent to all delegates and alternates, all Republican officers in all states, all Republican congressmen and senators, all county officers and state officers in Minnesota, and a selected list of five hundred business men. Accompanying this letter was a mimeographed copy of Esther's speech

The Ball thing was really bad from all points of view. His program now seems to be to endorse a Democratic senator each day until election. He made one National hook-up for the Democratic ticket, and says he will make no more speeches, but that is problematical.

I am enclosing some clippings which I thought might interest you.

These decisions have been very tough to make, but Warren and I felt it was our duty and obligation to steer the best course we could possibly reason out. I took the position it was damn unfair to let the record stand by implication that you okayed what Joe did. Of course that is what people everywhere have been saying. I have told them you probably do not even know what Joe has done, and as I write this letter I question that you do, or are in any position to judge the implications of what he has done.

In my opinion, Minnesota will go for Dewey-Bricker by 52 to 48, providing we have a decent day for the voters to get out. There is a great deal of good work being done, especially in Ramsey County, and we are going to work on this after November 7th, regardless of the outcome of the election.

Judd has been doing a magnificent job filling Joe's shoes. As a matter of fact, better than Joe himself, I believe, for he is a little more level and a little more balanced.

I am back in the lumber business 100%, but I did have to take a few hours off to try to do my little bit to protect a fellow who is in the thick of the fight in the Pacific who could do nothing to protect himself.

We all think of you often, Harold, and will be mighty happy to have you back so we can think and plan again together. In the meantime, Warren and I will do the best we can to hold the line.

I will write you a much longer letter after I get through the directors' meeting this coming Friday.

Yesterday Warren and I drove down to get Esther, took her to the studio, and then drove her home. Her voice was magnificent over the air. I had a record cut of the whole program so you can hear it sometime in the future.

I think she sincerely believes we did the right thing, and was happy and cheerful when we left her at the house last evening.

Sarah-Maud and I went down and spent Sunday evening with her, and we are going to do the best we can to see more of her than we have the past three months.

Your mother and father were most enthusiastic about her part on the radio program.

Once again I wish to say that Ed is doing a magnificent job. You should be very, very proud of him. The state situation is no better than it has been, but we expect to make it so shortly. Don't worry, we won't move too fast or impulsively. As a matter of fact, I think Warren and I (if I do say it) can take the credit for handling this "Joe" matter wisely. Everyone else lost his head, ranted and raved, etc., but for four days we sat calmly, encouraging people to take it easy, to think things over before talking, etc., and I believe the record will show in the future that we handled the matter much more smartly than it would have been otherwise --and that is not conceit.

As always, best regards to the grandest fellow I have ever known -

Mrs. Stassen On Air



Mrs. Harold E. Stassen is shown above as she made her debut as a political speaker Monday with a radio address urging election of Gov. Dewey to the presidency and Gov. Bricker to the vice presidency. Her talk was broadcast by WTCN from its studio in the Pioneer Press and Dispatch building.

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Mrs. Stassen Asks Dewey Votes

(Text of Mrs. Stassen's address on Page 3)

Charging no administration "which has at turns dictated to or quarreled with Congress for twelve years" can create lasting world peace, Mrs. Harold Stassen here today urged election of Thomas E. Dewey.

The wife of Minnesota's former Gov. Stassen, now a lieutenant commander in the Navy, spoke over a national radio hookup at 2:30 p. m., originating in WTCN's St. Paul studio in the Dispatch building.

"No president can succeed in creating unity and harmony in world affairs unless he can first create unity and harmony at home," she said. Govs. Dewey and Bricker, "working harmoniously with Congress, have a far better chance to solve the vital problems of peace than the present administration".

MRS. STASSEN TELLS WHY SHE'S FOR DEWEY

The text of a nationally broadcast address given by Mrs. Harold Stassen at 2:30 p. m. in WTCN studios here today is:

In its election in 1944 the women of America, especially the mothers, have a greater obligation than at any time since women have been voting. This is true, first, because of the relatively larger size of the women's vote this year, and second, because voting in this election is one of the great obligations which we, as women, owe to our sons, husbands, brothers and fathers who are fighting this war.

Along with every other American mother, I want my children to grow up in a world which is at peace—a world in which the threat of war will not shape and twist the minds and lives of our children.

And I want this not only for American mothers, but for mothers everywhere. This hope, this prayer in the heart of every mother, cannot be realized except with the leadership of a president and a Congress working together, in harmony, on the terribly complex problems of peace. We must ask ourselves whether this spirit of harmony and unity, which is so necessary, can be developed by an administration which has at turns dictated to or quarreled with Congress for twelve years.

Gov. Dewey and Gov. Bricker with their vigorous new leadership, working harmoniously with Congress, have a far better

chance to solve the vital problems of peace than the present administration. No President can succeed in creating unity and harmony in world affairs unless he can first create unity and harmony at home. Every mother knows that a family which has harmony, unity and cooperation within the four walls of the home, has the basis for friendly relations with the neighbors.

Every mother in America wants her children to grow up with the same opportunities to succeed and develop which American children have always had.

The basis for this is the American system of government which is founded upon progress, and there can be no progress without change. New leaders must always come to the front to take up the work where others leave off. Our children growing up today, and even those now voting for the first time, know of only one president—only one leader. The continuance of that one leader, on any pretext or for any reason, is not the way to plant in the minds of our children the American tradition of change and progress. Our country is great because it has always looked, not to one leader, but to many American men and women for leadership and guidance.

In the words of Gov. Dewey, "that's why it's time for a change."

I urge you to do all in your power to insure the election of Gov. Dewey and Gov. Bricker on Nov. 7.

First Political Talk—

MRS. STASSEN TO GO ON RADIO FOR DEWEY

Mrs. Harold E. Stassen, wife of Minnesota's former governor, is going to break one of her established rules and make a political talk. She will take part Monday in a national radio program in behalf of Gov. Dewey and Gov. Bricker.

When Comdr. Stassen, now believed in the thick of Pacific fighting with the Navy, was in politics, his wife followed a policy of leaving political talking to her husband.

However, she says she feels so strongly that Gov. Dewey should be elected president and head a national Republican administration, that she agreed to participate in a Blue network program to be broadcast at 2:30 p. m. Monday over WTCN, sponsored by the Women's division of the Republican National committee.

Mrs. Stassen will fill the place of Miss Marion Martin, GOP national chairwoman, who was scheduled for the program but will be unable to appear. Gloria Swanson, stage and screen star, is to be mistress of ceremonies. Other women taking part will be Greta Palmer, eastern newspaperwoman, and Mrs. Viola Preble, a New York department store saleswoman.

"I feel deeply the need of placing Gov. Dewey in the White House," said Mrs. Stas-



MRS. STASSEN

sen. "My radio appearance in his behalf is purely a matter of expressing my own personal convictions."

Her broadcast will be from the Twin Cities.

Mrs. Stassen was active in the welcoming arrangements for both Dewey and Bricker on their Twin Cities visits.

TO THE DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES OF THE 1944 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION:

At and before the Chicago Convention the people of Minnesota and other supporters of former Governor Harold E. Stassen presented the ideas and record of Stassen to Republicans in the sincere conviction that he could successfully lead the Country and the Party.

The Convention nominated Thomas E. Dewey, the great Governor of New York, as its candidate for President. The Pre-Convention leaders and all the other supporters of former Governor Stassen pledged their support to Governor Dewey. Since July 1st, we and all other Republican leaders of Minnesota except one, have devoted ourselves to carrying Minnesota for the Dewey-Bricker ticket. Although Willkie lost Minnesota in 1940, we predict Governor Dewey and Governor Bricker will carry it this year.

Because Senator Joseph H. Ball at various times, acted as one of the spokesmen for the Pre-Convention Committee for Stassen, we have done and are doing all in our power to make it clear that he does not now speak for this committee or for any of Mr. Stassen's friends. He speaks only for himself and his own personal beliefs.

Mrs. Harold E. Stassen took a prominent part in the Dewey-Bricker meetings in Minnesota and spoke on behalf of Governor Dewey on a National network early this week. We have urged and are urging the supporters and friends of Harold Stassen everywhere to spare no effort to elect Governor Dewey and Governor Bricker on November 7th and they are sparing none.

This statement may be quoted, published or used in any way you see fit.

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FOR DELIVERY BLUE NETWORK (WTCN) MONDAY OCTOBER 30, 1944 - 2:30 P. M.
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The Introduction: Mrs. Harold E. Stassen, wife of former Governor Stassen
of Minnesota.

In this election in 1944 the women of America, especially the mothers, have a greater obligation than at any time since women have been voting. This is true, first because of the relatively larger size of the women's vote this year, and second, because voting in this election is one of the great obligations which we as women, owe to our sons, husbands, brothers and fathers who are fighting this war.

Along with every other American mother, I want my children to grow up in a world which is at peace - a world in which the threat of war will not shape and twist the minds and lives of our children. And I want this not only for American mothers, but for mothers everywhere. This hope - this prayer in the heart of every mother, cannot be realized except with the leadership of a President and a Congress working together, in harmony, on the terribly complex problems of peace. We must ask ourselves whether this spirit of harmony and unity, which is so necessary, can be developed by an administration which has at turns, dictated to, or quarreled with Congress for 12 years.

Governor Dewey and Governor Bricker with their vigorous new leadership, working harmoniously with Congress, have a far better chance to solve the vital problems of peace than the present administration. No President can succeed in creating unity and harmony in world affairs unless he can first create unity and harmony at home. Every mother knows that a family which has harmony, unity and cooperation within the four walls of the home, has the basis for friendly relations with the neighbors.

Every mother in America wants her children to grow up with the same opportunities to succeed and develop which American children have always had. The basis for this is the American system of government which is founded upon progress, and there can be no progress without change. New leaders must always come to the front to take up the work where others leave off. Our children growing up today, and even those now voting for the first time, know of only one president - only one leader. The continuance of that one leader, on any pretext or for any reason, is not the way to plant in the minds of our children, the American tradition of change and progress. Our country is great because it has always looked, not to one leader, but to many American men and women for leadership and guidance.

In the words of Governor Dewey "That's why it's time for a change."

I urge you to do all in your power to insure the election of Governor Dewey and Governor Bricker on November 7th.

For Release SUNDAY, A.M., October 29, 1934.

STASSEN'S WIFE TO SPEAK FOR DEWEY-BRICKER TICKET

Speaking on behalf of Governor Dewey and Governor Bricker, Mrs. Harold H. Stassen, wife of Minnesota's former G.O.P. Governor, will take part in a national broadcast on the Blue Network Monday, at 2:30 P.M. With her on the program, which is directed primarily at women voters, will appear Oreta Palmer, prominent Eastern newspaper woman and Mrs. Viola Preble, New York department store saleswoman. Gloria Swanson, stage and screen star will act as mistress of ceremonies. Miss Marion Martin, National G.O.P. Chairwoman, was originally scheduled to appear on the program and Mrs. Stassen will take her place. The program is one of a series of four national radio broadcasts by the Women's Division of the National Republican Committee.

Oct 31, 1944

Harold Stassen,
Dear Sir,

As I have always been an admirer of you and what you stand for, would you do me the honor of signing my enclosed autograph slip. Wishing you lots of luck, and thank you.

Sincerely yours
Mrs. Dorothy Mulcahy
1524 Roosevelt Ave
Toledo 7, Ohio

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DEPT. OF APOLOGY AND EXPLANATION

As you probably have guessed, we ran out of paper last time as the printer didn't deliver our new supply in time. Seems he's short of help too. And while the bulletin actually is written on Halloween, everybody is so busy folding tabloids and helping get campaign material out that this mailing is going to be a day or so late.

Even political headquarters is feeling the help shortage, but after all, T.A.W.O.....and while we didn't actually say it, you certainly know what we mean!

WARNING

The circulation list is climbing again and after this issue, the bulletin will not be mailed to anyone who is not a paid member for 1944-45. Take a look at your membership card, and if those dates aren't on it, it's time to send another dollar to Eleanor Sulerud, Treasurer, c/o State Young Republican Headquarters, 708 Pioneer Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. This of course, does not apply to any Young Republican in the armed forces, for they are members in good standing for the duration.

NEW NAMES

Saralou Mather, President of the Republican club at the University sent us six names, assuring us that they are "good Republicans now in the service"..... PFC Edmund A. Kubilski, APO 44, N.Y.; Lt. James E. Fisher, APO 488, P.M., New York; Lt. Alice Mayhew, down at the Station Hospital at Camp Van Dorn, Miss.; Cpl. Harry Lichtwardt at Camp Crowder, Mo.; Lt. Richard French at Boca Raton, Florida and PFC George Houghton at Madison, Wis.

Our Circ. Mgr., Dorothy Hultengren, brought us five new subscribers, gathered from assorted sources. Two she got at the state fair at the Republican booth...Pvt. Horton R. Brooks, APO 257, N. Y. and Cpl. George H. Vroman, APO 558, N. Y. Seems their respective mothers thought it would be a good idea if they were added to the mailing list. Cpl. Vincent Conover at Camp Claiborne is the brother of Sherman Conover in the state auditor's office. S2/C Wendell Kingsley, a Minneapolis member, is stationed at Great Lakes right now. And Dorothy discovered that Earl Anderson, former 4th District Chairman, is in Galesburg, Michigan, although we're still wanting to know his rank.

And our new Asst. Circulation Mgr. Margaret Eddy, tells us that Bob Hoffman is a PFC at Truax Field, Wis., and that a new member, Millie Perkins has two brothers in the service, Lt. Angus, who has APO 226, N.Y. and Lt. (jg) Nick Perkins who is operating out of the Fleet Post Office in New York.

Harriet Lloyd of International Falls says that Bill Skrief, Jr. is in the Hawaiian Islands and was just made a Chief Petty Officer...Bill being a former Loo-chiching County Y.R. Phyllis Meryhew has a husband...A.M.M.1/c Meryhew, to be exact, stationed at Westerly, R.I., Phyllis hailing from Inver Grove.



"PINKIE"

'N Minneapolis comes through with a goodly crew this time. Dan Wright, former 3rd Dis. Chairman of the Y. R.'s is a S2/C at Oakland, California. Becky Kenny writes that Lt. Jack Heinen is with the 90th Bomb. Sq., APO 565, San Francisco. Ens. John Macrae, formerly of Virginia, Minn., is on the U.S.S. Nashville, somewhere at sea. Lt. Lester Holt, who married Audrey Pettijohn of St. Paul, is APO 512, N.Y. and while Lester is in the Navy, Audrey's working in Dick Gale's office in Washington. She's home for the campaign and told us so. And Winifred Netherly of St. Paul has two cousins across the river.....who are across the ocean right now...S1/C Earl Benson, who's address is FPO, San Francisco and Lt. Col. D. M. Benson, APO 25, in care of the same postmaster in California.

To wind up Minneapolis, Mr. Oscar Johnson of the

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Department of Dairy and Food, up in the State Office Building, has two sons in the service: Ralph D. Johnson, who's a Warrant Officer in Istanbul, Turkey, of all places, and PFC Leighton Johnson, who's in the Army Air Corps at Childress, Texas.

St. Paul has T/5 Henry Moore (whose mother, Mrs. Mark, has been working in Ramsey Headquarters) at APO 565, San Francisco. Cpl. Donald Sollar, his mother telephoned in, is with the 5th Marines in the H. and S. Headquarters. And Edward P. Moyer, whose mother Alida is a Lt. in the WAAC, is with the Canadian Army overseas.

And as far as the range is concerned, we report that Leighton R. Simons of Buhl (but whoever called him anything but Si?) has a son, Cpl. Bob with the 33rd Service Sq. in Miami, Florida, but he's got an APO, which may, or may not mean anything. No one knows but the army.....and they sure aren't telling!

At the last minute, Margaret Eddy handed us the name of Cpl. Glenn Bergstrom of St. Paul, who's APO number is 502, San Francisco....talk about getting in under the wire. Our own special name is Lt. Michael Romano of New York, who went through Minnesota on his way back to Alaska, but made the statement that he definitely preferred N.Y. to Alaska, not that we blame him!

SPOT NEWS

At long last Art Anderson is a Capt. (remember, the Petroleum Div.?) at Wright Field. John Giel of South St. Paul is home on a month's furlough, which is all right with both John, Jr. and Sr. Ensign Carl Hagen of Avoca has been transferred to Jacksonville, Florida. Cpl. George Millard (International Falls) has a N.Y. APO...85, to be exact.

S/Sgt. Webb Coffee (Mpls.) is back in this country at Casper, Wyo. Cpl. Lowell A. Ruby has changed San Francisco APO's from 713 to 926...still in the South Pacific. Mrs. Catherine Sheire (Fairfax) writes us that Capt. Bob Madland was injured in the South Pacific (our knowledge of anatomy is limited) and while he's been home on leave, now his address is Schick General Hospital at Clinton, Iowa.....She wrote too, that Capt. Bob Fiss is back from France at Billings General Hospital at Harrison, Indiana. Seems that Fairfax has quite a bit of pride in the boys, and rightly so.

Ens. Bernhard LeVander on an L.S.T. in the Pacific sent his regards to the old gang still around and also those abroad...and added that he'd run into Grant Anderson, his brother-in-law out there. And Angus McQueen (Mpls.) is on the U.S.S. Ticonderoga somewhere out there too.

And to get back into the swing of civilian affairs, we report two BRAND NEW Young Republicans, both young men. The two fathers, Paul Albrecht and Kenneth Kurtz (St. Paul) disclosed under pressure they are to be named Alvin and Jeffrey, respectively. They also state that both fathers are doing well and are back at work.

PINKIE SAYS

That any G.I. who'd like the report of the canvassing board after the sound and the fury has died, can drop him a line and he'll forward one. He also mentioned nonchalantly that he'd gotten letters from Mrs. Bob Pye, Ken Neu (Iowa), Jean Trisko (who's in England with the Red Cross), Lt. (jg) Fallon Kelly, Capt. Gordon Allott (Lamar, Colorado), Capt. Leslie Anderson, (Mpls.), Cpl. Alton Oberholtzer (St. Paul), Cpl. Roald Magelssen (Walker), PFC Graham Morrison (Hallock), Dick Johnson (Jackson), Henry Benson (St. Peter), Jim Lang (St. Paul), Cpl. Robert Dusek (Faribault) and Cpl. Wallie Hanebeck, who sent us a picture of Paris!

Pinkie griped plenty about not having any room for his humorous (?) remarks, but was appeased when we promised him a whole page next issue. And he's still quite puffed up with pride at meeting Judge Magney of the Supreme Court...Warren Burger introduced him...and pleased too that the Governor's appointment received 88% of all the votes cast by the lawyers in their poll.

Pinkie certainly enjoys meeting people.....and you can just imagine him at headquarters...seeing Maudie Whitacre, Art Erickson, Blanche Burns Heinrich, Earl Christmas, Rose Spencer, George Jones, Fred Strong, Billy Christianson from Red Wing and all the other people tearing their hair out over the campaign!

SO LONG - SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!



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