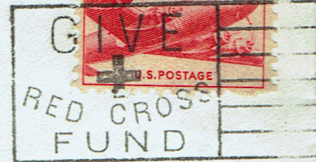
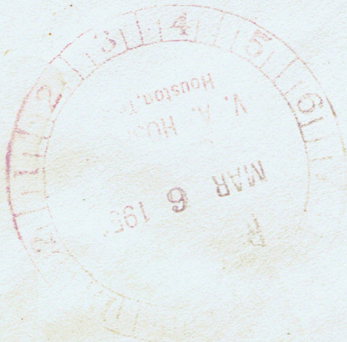


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Dear Children:-

Monday morning is pretty nice after a rainy week-end. The sun is shining most of the time and it is 60 outside. We have some things to do out and I think it will be nice. We got a poor job of painting the pergola when the job was done more than a year ago so we decided to paint it which I am doing. I find that it will take two gallons of paint for a two coat job and will have to go to Ensley for another gallon to day. We found at Sherwin Williams a paint that we think is ideal for this job. It is made for farm, ranch and Plantation fences and costs \$1.50 less on the gallon than other high grade white paint for outside. We are getting a beautiful job. Our collections for march are in up to date. Our bank statement came this morning and that is O.K.

The retired teachers had a meeting last week and are to have another this afternoon. They are getting organized so as to get their retirement pay increased. I have not attended the meeting but may go in this afternoon; however, I doubt if we who are retired can do much good. I think the people who should work at it are the teachers and principals who are still teaching. They are organized and have power and they are the ones who will benefit by any increase. I will suggest it to the principals with whom we meet once a month.

The A.E.A. meets here the 15, 16, & 17 of march. Mrs. J. C. Orr called mother this morning about a tea at the Y.W.C.A.

The wives of the principals plan this for one night.

Gusta, those blouses you girls sent to mother have just cost me over \$100.00. By the time we got the kind of suit and hat to match to wear with those blouses we had passed the hundred dollar sign too far to even whistle at it. The hat is the prettiest one in town and the blue suit is all virgin wool & and you know what her figure does for a properly fitted suit. It's worth it, so I win again.

Sewell has a convention here this week; began Sunday and goes through Tuesday; he is staying at the Tutwiler. He is looking about as usual; says Ermer is still in bed about the same.

He saw Sara just before he left Newnan Sat.

Jeanette and Joe Moser passed through Birmingham yesterday. They called from a filling station about noon---I think they were in the North Birmingham area. They were traveling route 11 on their way home.

The hedge I worked on before it put out is going to pay us well. Jonquils and yellow bells are the most beautiful we have had. One peach tree is in full bloom and the plum is making a comeback. We do hope all of you are well.

Love and best wishes from mother and papa. Your father

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### Omaha Scottish Rite Bodies Hold 120th Reunion

The Scottish Rite Bodies of Omaha, Nebraska, held their 120th Reunion, November 27-30, 1950. The class of 114 candidates was named in honor of the late Frank Cargill Patton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Nebraska for 33 years and Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Southern Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite. The class officers were: President, Lt. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Commanding Officer of the Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Base; Vice President, Dr. Robert M. Collins of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Secretary-Treasurer, Max J. Fellows, Omaha; Orator, Charles A. Irvine, Omaha. The class will have a bronze plaque made in memory of Brother Patton to hang in the Scottish Rite Temple.

Joseph W. Seacrest, Lincoln newspaper publisher and the Deputy in Nebraska of the Southern Supreme Council, was in charge of the four-day reunion, assisted by Benjamin F. Eyre, Secretary of the Omaha Bodies.

Following the degree work, a banquet was held, and the principal speaker was former Governor Dwight P. Griswold, 33°. In the course of his remarks he told his Scottish Rite Brethren that America needs a foreign policy, supported by the people, which does not change with administrations; that any single election isn't going to change problems facing the country; that men are needed for the best interest of the nation who will not spend time in building a political fence to keep them in office; politicians who hold on to what they think is right are rare; he is afraid of leaders who think they are indispensable, and that change must come in the thinking of the people.

The distinguished guests included Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, 33°, who directed the history-making carrier bombing of Tokyo; John S. Hedelund, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Nebraska, and William F. Evers, Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Nebraska. The last two named were among those who spoke briefly, including also the new Deputy.

### Five Receive K. T. Orders

Five members of the same family, Robert Munce, Sr., his three sons and son-in-law, received the Orders of the Red Cross, Malta and the Temple, on November 18, 1950, in San Pedro Commandery No. 69, Knights Templar, San Pedro, California. The candidates, other than the father, were Robert Munce, Jr., William and James C. Munce, and Thomas J. Stockman. This was an unusual occasion for so many of one family to receive the Templar Orders.

## War Service Covered By Social Security

Veterans are entitled to Social Security benefits for the time they spent in military service from Sept. 16, 1940 to July 24, 1947, officials pointed out yesterday.

They will be given a wage credit of \$160 a month for duty between those dates.

Officials said they also wonder if some dependents of GIs and ex-GIs are not overlooking certain benefits for which they may now be eligible.

Martin C. Folmar, manager of the Birmingham Social Security office, said he believes some dependents

probably are not aware that the Social Security Act had been amended and that they now can qualify for benefits.

The amendment to the law was passed by the 81st Congress.

Folmar explained that generally speaking the veteran who is eligible, or his wife, will have to be 65 to receive benefits, but that minor children of veterans who died in service or since may be eligible now.

Amounts paid generally are figured on the age of the deceased and the number of years he worked under Social Security.

"Each case is an individual matter," Folmar added. "But we will be happy to go into the matter with veterans or their families who are puzzled about it."

## Hospital To Use Personnel's Blood In Atom Attack

NEW YORK, Feb. 27—A "walking blood bank" for use in case of atomic attack is being set up at the Presbyterian Hospital here, Charles P. Cooper, president, stated in his annual report of work at the Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center.

The walking blood bank is the blood flowing through veins and arteries of the hospital personnel. All of them are now being blood-typed, so they can be called on in emergency. In addition, the hospital has purchased stocks of plasma and all medical supplies in

big enough quantities to carry on until the American Red Cross or Army can take over.

Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, Cooper said, is equipped to handle from 30,000 to 40,000 casualties.



A man told me his experience. It ran like this:

There was a change in his business that he thought he ought to make. Others advised him that it would be foolish. From some angles he recognized that and acknowledged it to himself. Nevertheless he felt that he ought to make the change because he was convinced that he could render a greater service to the world in the newer line. But he continued as he had been. He was travelling a good deal and began to find himself nervous and fatigued. After driving 200 miles he would stop and go to a hotel for rest, then dinner, early retirement, a night's sleep and the same the next day. Finally he took his soul in his hands and made the change. "Now," he said, "I drive 400 miles in a day, or more, singing all the way, and am rather rested than tired at the end of it."



Another man reported that he had undertaken a job which proved unexpectedly difficult. It was not necessary for him to go on with it and he began to consider backing out of it. For several months he wavered back and forth between the two decisions. He was still undecided when a crippling attack of arthritis put him to bed. While there he made up his mind to go on with that job, arthritis or no arthritis. Almost immediately he was better. Within six months the arthritis was gone and there had been no return.

"Might you not have recovered anyway?" I asked.

"Yes," he said.

"Are you not afraid that it will come back?"

"No, I am going on with my work. It can't stop me until God is ready. Then I'll be ready too."

In both these cases fear would seem to have been the deterrent factor, stopping up the life so that power could not get through.

It is hard for us sometimes to know what we ought to do. Harder still to do it. But certainly through those two, knowing and doing, comes enlargement.

## W. H. Mendel elected

HOUSTON, March 3 —(P)—Warner H. Mendel, of New York City, associate counsel of Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, was elected president of McCarthy Oil and Gas Corporation at a directors' meeting Thursday, it was announced Saturday.

Glenn H. McCarthy, founder of the company and formerly president, was made chairman of the board.