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Forty-One Receive Degrees Wednes.

Allen L. Oliver Will Speak at MSM Commencement

The Spring Commencement at the School of Mines will be held Wednesday, May 31, at 10:00 a. m. Forty-one graduates will receive degrees at the ceremony, which will take place in Parker Hall. The principal speaker will be Mr. Allen L. Oliver, prominent Cape Girardeau attorney and a member of the Board of Visitors of the University.

At 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday, May 30, the Faculty will hold a reception at the Parish House for students, parents, and visitors. Candidates for degrees are the following:

B. S. in Mining Engineering: Raul Jose Arana, Stanley G. Bendorf, Walter Joseph Dean,

John Jones Northcutt, *Guillermo Sauri R. and Edwin Arnold Zwald. *Mining Geology option.

B. S. in Metallurgical Engineering: Philip Matthias Dampf, Jr., Joe Evan Jenkins, Robert John Kick, Katsumi Don Kozemi, Peter Muschovic and August Robert Savu.

B. S. in Civil Engineering: Arthur Keith Cook, Robert William Mellis and Glen Lamb Staley, Jr.

B. S. in Mechanical Engineering: Hosmer Evert Davison, Robert Otto Herman Dietz, Jr., John Coleman Forbes, Edward Stephen Isenmann, Robert Walter Klorer, Lewis Arthur Morgan, Ray Joseph Murphy, John Oscar Stegner and Robert Frederick Summers.

B. S. in Electrical Engineering: Eugene Keil Allen, Frederick H. Drevling, Warren Wade Helberg, Robert Wesley Jamison, Ralph Edward Nuelle, Richard Fletcher Ollis, Jr., Harold Joseph Rudisalle,



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BUY WAR BONDS!

Blue Key Shows Cost of Rollamo

In undertaking the task of publishing the 1944 Rollamo, Blue Key Fraternity risked, as many believed, financial failure, without the usual substantial backing from student fees, the main of the necessary funds was derived from advertising and pre-sale of copies. The project was successful, and the Rollamo was published at a cost amounting to about \$15.00 less than in former years. This reduction was partly due to cutting down on the size of the book. The entire enterprise was on a non-profit basis, and the only compensation to Blue Key members was the experience.

The cost of the Rollamo was \$2,384.33 which does not include mailing costs. These will amount to about \$20. Blue Key built a credit of \$2,598.00. Of this \$224 was advertising; \$610 was from organizations for spreads; \$399 from pre-sale; and \$1312 from student fees. At present the Rollamo fund contains \$213.67 which will be carried in that fund. All financial transactions were supervised by Mr. Katz of the MSM business office. On record there is an itemized account available to anyone for inspection.

KAPPA SIGMA

A formal initiation was held last Monday evening, May 22, by Beta Chi at which five men were received into the fraternity. The new brothers are Jim Miller, Carl Olfe, Robert Bay, Jim Bissell, and Bill Crain. Bissell and Crain are entering the armed forces at the end of the semester, and we are sorry to see them leave the chapter.

An election of officers for the coming semester was also held. Officers elected were Alan Ploesser, president; Earl Shank, vice-president; Howard Casselman, Grand Master of Ceremonies; and Bob Bay, sergeant-at-arms. Last Sunday, May 28, the chapter was privileged to have as dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Noel Hubbard, Professor and Mrs. F. H. Frame, Mrs. J. Jenkins and her daughter Hope, and Mrs. John Ridout and her daughters Nancy and Isobel. Brother Bill Wilson and the "missus" were also guests.

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ED CHESTNUT ELECTED REGENT OF THETA TAU

At its annual election recently, Theta Tau, professional engineering fraternity, elected Ed Chestnut as Regent for the coming year. Al Ploesser was elected Scribe.

Faced with the prevalent reduction of membership, Theta Tau intends to remain active as long as a member remains at MSM.

As a
MINER
Sees it

A bouquet of Four Roses to our boy Rutledge, who went back to nature the other night. It seems that he peeled practically all his clothes off down at Tucker's and walked up the street. He says it was on a bet, but he does like to show that manly form. Anyway, someone called "the Gestapo" in the meantime. Rutledge had been carried away by those hogs in the interim, but our fearless heroes traced the phone call and started inquiring. Their cards, collectively and individually, are well shot already, but I will accommodate at any time.

Forty-one Miners are carrying the name of MSM out into industry and the armed services next Wednesday. Here's hoping you continue the fine reputation our alumni have built up. To the rest who are leaving before graduating, try and make it back some day, somehow. Here's to a meeting in Tokyo, and the fine times had at the School of Mines!

Reminiscent of prohibition days are "moonshine" stills found recently by FBI agents on several islands in the Potomac River.

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The ceremony of graduation is called "commencement". We hope it means just that—the commencement of security, happiness and success for the remainder of your life.

Good luck, and Godspeed!

Sigma Pi K. A. Tops Intramural Contenders

Last week the Sigma Pi K. A. team won their third straight softball championship by defeating the Engineers Club team, 4-3. On the previous day the Engineers Club defeated the champs, 5-0. In the first game the Engineers Club batted the ball around while Isenmann pitched his first shut-out of the year. Ken Rudert was not as effective as in previous days, while his opponents were clicking all around.

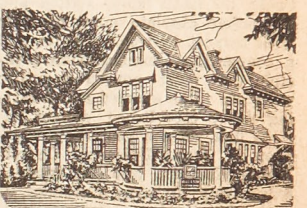
The championship game was not as well played, and neither pitcher was very effective. However, Rudert got the best infield support, and this proved the margin of victory. After scoring three runs in the first inning the Sigma Pi K. A's were never headed although continually threatened.

Final Results of Tennis, Handball and Softball
Tennis—(1) Sigma Nu; (2) Sigma Pi K. A.; (3) Theta Kappa Phi; (4) Triangle; (5) Engineers Club; (6 and 7) Tie between Kappa Sig and Lambda Chi.
Handball—(1) Triangle; (2) Theta Kappa Phi; (3) Lambda

Chi; (4 and 5) Tie between Sigma Pi K. A. and Kappa Sigma; (6 and 7) Tie between Sigma Nu and Faculty; (8) Engineers Club.
Softball—(1) Sigma Pi K. A.; (2) Engineers Club; (3) Kappa Sigma; (4) Sigma Nu; (5 and 6) Tie between Lambda Chi and Theta Kappa Phi; (7 and 8) Tie between Triangle and Faculty.

Intramural Standings for Spring Semester, 1944
First—Sigma Pi K. A.2085
Second—Triangle2010
Third—Kappa Sigma1930
Fourth—Theta Kappa Phi1725
Fifth—Sigma Nu1695
Sixth—Engr. Club1680
Seventh—Lambda Chi1410

This concludes the Intramural sports for the 1944 spring semester. In all probability, the Intramural organizations will be newly organized in the summer term. The number of organizations there will be and whom they will represent will depend upon the number of students in school. As soon as possible after the summer session starts there will be an announcement for an Intramural meeting in which we shall discuss the Intramural program.



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Air Raiders Pound On

LONDON May 29. —(UP)—RAF bombers struck a possible knockout blow at the French railway center of Angers behind the Bay of Biscay coast last night and other Allied formations were reported flying into northwest Germany and Austria today.

Hundreds of British four-engined night raiders concentrated a great weight of block busters and fire bombs on Angers, on the Tours-Nantes Railway 190 miles southwest of Paris, wrecking locomotives, rolling stock and ground installations and ripping up tracks.

The greatest American Air Armada of the war—1,000 bombers and 1,250 fighters—paced yesterday's round of pre-invasion attacks on Western Europe, during which a total of 6,000 aircraft dropped 8,000 tons of bombs.

Bishop Confirms 17 at Christ Episcopal Sunday

A large audience heard the Rt. Rev. William Scarlett, Bishop of Missouri, describe the contrast between an isolationist, selfish and altogether obsolete point of view with respect to world affairs and a cooperative, humanitarian principle that must govern if future wars are to be averted and a lasting peace established among nations in a sermon yesterday afternoon in Christ Episcopal Church.

Preceding Bishop Scarlett's sermon a class of 17 was presented for confirmation by the Rev. O. V. Jackson, rector of Christ Church. Those who received the Apostolic Rite were Miss Nancy Gale, Thomas Gale, Miss Edith Adele Boyer, Ray Rucker, III, Fred Pirkey, Abner W. Holliday, Mrs. Gertrude Holliday, Frank Bates, Miss Judith Russey, Samuel Dickerson, Miss Beth Dickerson, Guy Cornwell Ellison, Mrs. George Lee Wood, Richard Cushing, Robert Ware Fitzpatrick, A. C. Starliper and Mrs. Sally Starliper.

At the close of the morning service Holy Baptism was administered to June John Sands.

Stabbed Body Of Boonville Woman Found

DURHAM, N. C. (Special)—A mutilated body, with many stab wounds in the back, believed that of wealthy Mrs. Edward M. Jewett, 67, of Boonville, Mo., was found Saturday in a 60-acre lake near here.

The body was weighted down with five 25-pound cinder blocks, wired on with heavy wire.

Mrs. Jewett's grandson, Edward Jewett Martin, 24, is held in jail here, charged with the murder.

More evidence has been found, according to Police Chief H. E. King. He said more than one person may have been involved in disposal of the body. Police said Martin estimated his grandmother owned \$500,000 of property. (An unsigned will, which would have given most of the property to Martin, was found among his effects, police said.)

State Leaders for Prof. Engineers Soc. to Meet Here

There will be a joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers in Rolla next Saturday and Sunday, June 3 and 4.

The meeting has been called by Bruce Williams of Joplin, state president of the organization, and will begin with a 6 o'clock dinner at the Pennant Saturday evening.

Three men from Rolla hold important state offices in the professional engineers' organization: J. F. Kilpatrick is a regional director, J. B. Butler is chairman of the standing committee on membership, and E. W. Carlton is chairman of the special committee for engineers-in-training.

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THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy today, no change in temperature.

DECORATION Day

Rolla Will Honor Dead Tomorrow

Memorial Day will take on added significance this year on the eve of D-Day as communities throughout the nation honor their dead, especially those who have lost their lives in the cause of freedom.

Rolla will pause to bow in tribute, and many of the local business houses will be closed. A special Memorial Day observance has been arranged by the Rolla Ministerial Association, including a parade of local patriotic groups and a program at the Rolla cemetery.

The parade will form in front of the post office at 9:30 a. m. and will march from there to the corner of Sixth and Rolla streets. A. A. Smith, parade marshal, has announced that it will be greatly appreciated if as many citizens as possible will be there with cars to haul the children participating in the parade to the cemetery for the program.

Post Chaplain Leon M. Hall will be the principal speaker at the service at the cemetery, which will begin at 10 o'clock.

Sermon Denies He Belongs to Political Group

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., May 29. —(UP)—Democratic Mayor Roger Sermon of Independence, candidate for governor, denied today he was bound to any political faction and said he had made no commitments for support and would make none.

Sermon answered a statement by Democratic gubernatorial candidate Edgar Shook of Kansas City in which Shook said two of his opponents, Sermon and State Senator Phil M. Donnelly, of Lebanon, were backed by remnants of the Pendergast political machine.

Shook said Donnelly was "brought into the race and is sponsored by a small group of politicians who undertook to say for the masses of Missouri Democrats who their candidate would be."

He said the group included James Pendergast of Kansas City, Richard Nacy of Jefferson City, State Senator Michael Kinney of St. Louis, V. H. (Lefty) Steward of Poplar Bluff and Anthony Buford of St. Louis.

He said "two smelly factions of the Pendergast machine in Kansas City have split off" and thrown their support to Sermon.

The Independence mayor said he was "astounded" by Shook's statement.

"A few months ago," he said, "at a meeting of Democrats in Kansas City Mr. Shook made a speech urging my candidacy for governor, stating that my record and reputation as a citizen and office holder fully justified my making the race."

He said he was making the race "solely on my record" of 20 years as mayor of Independence.

"I have made no commitments or promises to any individual or group of individuals for support and will make none," he said.

Donnelly has not replied to Shook.

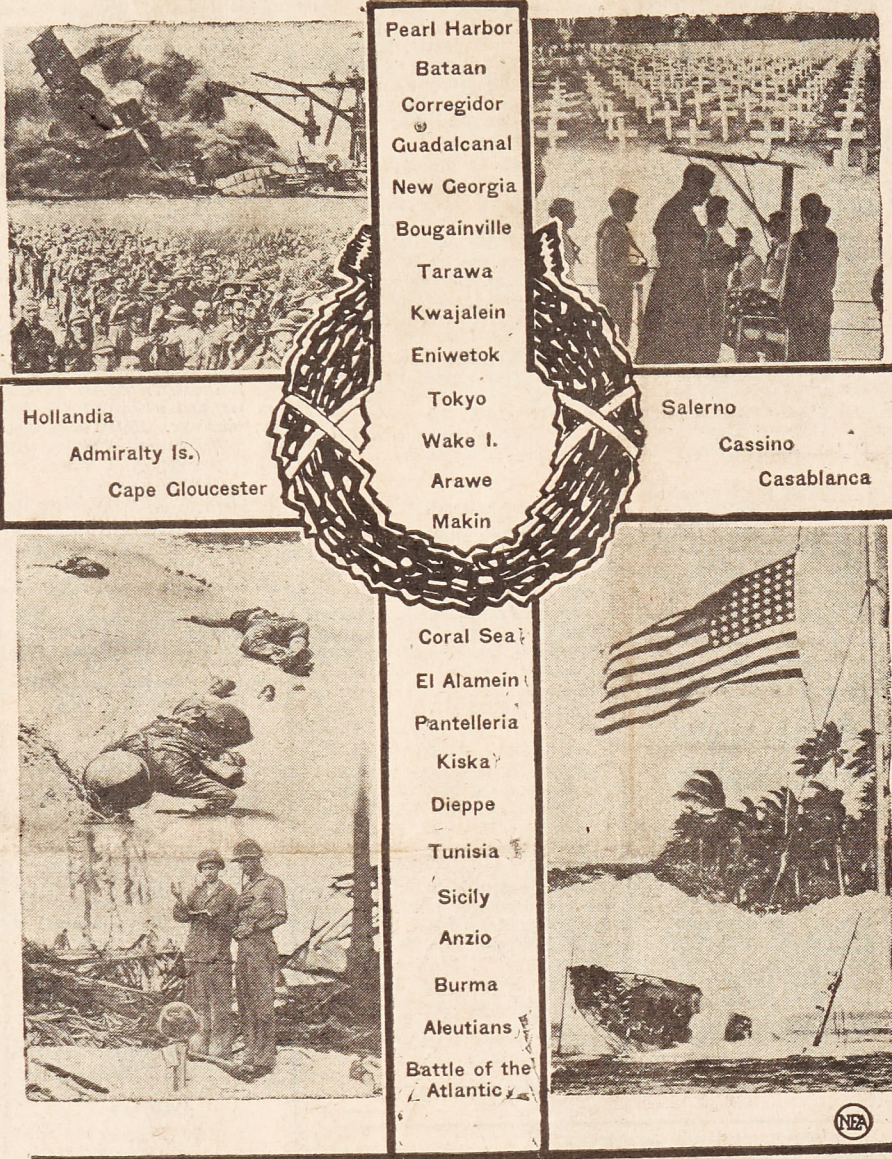
Woman Marine Frees Her Husband to Fight

CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C. (UP)—Lt. Robert J. Sherer, Eaton, Ohio, reported for duty here as camp publications officer and met a Marine Corps woman reservist the same day, married her nine days later, and now Lt. Mary Daniels Sherer, Knoxville, Tenn., has freed her husband to fight.

Lt. Robert Sherer gave up his assignment to attend advanced combat intelligence school and lead a machine-gun platoon in a combat replacement battalion.

Lt. Mary Daniels Sherer is one of the first women in the corps to serve as a camp publications officer.

MEMORIAL DAY: There Are Many to Remember



America today finds thousands of new names on the roster of its honored dead who are remembered in reverence this Memorial Day. And to the place-names of the war's dark days—Pearl Harbor, Wake Island, Bataan—have been added scores of new ones, written in blazing letters that illumine the ever-clear path to final victory.

Newburg News

By MRS. D. C. HICKMAN

Donna Robertson left the first of the week for Willow Spring, where she will visit with her grandmother.

Love Pearl Parker is spending the week with an aunt in St. Louis.

Mrs. Lois Osborn of St. Louis is visiting here in the homes of Mrs. John Delashmit and Mrs. Isom Crain and other friends and relatives.

Mrs. Roy Painter was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. S. H. Coffman held high score for the afternoon and Mrs. O. M. Jones was high for the carried score.

Group 3 of the Gray Ladies visited the hospital at Fort Wood Thursday.

The Canteen Corps met at the Lions Club Park Thursday evening for a picnic supper.

C. M. Smith Auction June 2 to Include 33 Head of Cattle

The C. M. Smith farm auction sale June 2 will include 33 head of good cattle, according to the list published today.

The auction will be on the Smith farm, known as the Peter Bout farm, 7 miles north of Rolla, one mile west and one mile north of the Macedonia Cemetery road, beginning at 1 p. m.

Besides the cattle, the auction includes a gas electroflux and a number of farming tools.

The Petroleum Administration for War reports that war demands have reduced the yield of automotive gasoline per barrel of crude oil 36 per cent since Pearl Harbor.

Memorial Day

Throughout most of the states Tuesday, Americans will do honor to the men whose lives have brought us so far along the road to victory. There is no need to urge the solemnity of this Memorial Day, for no one can be insensible to the increasing debt that the nation owes to them and to the others who, with tragic certainty, must follow them before the end of that road is reached.

This is a day of American homage to American fighting men. But it does not seem inappropriate to the spirit of the observance that we should remember at the same time the soldiers and sailors of the Allied and occupied nations who have died in the common cause.

Let us look back at other Memorial Days of this war. May 30, 1940, was perhaps the blackest day of the blitzkrieg. The retreat from Dunkirk was at its height. The Allied armies were shattered and fleeing. Nothing stood in the way of the onrushing Germans.

A year later Dunkirk was being repeated in Crete. Nazi paratroopers had driven the British into the sea. Nazi planes were bombing the transports that rescued the remnants of the defenders.

The next Memorial Day found America and Russia in the war. That day one Japanese submarine had sunk an American ship off Seattle, another had shelled Australia. The Nazis were completing their occupation of Kharkov and the Kerch peninsula.

But that day, too, the tide began to turn as more than 1,000 British planes bombed Cologne.

The men who fell at Dunkirk and Crete, at Pearl Harbor and Bataan, at Kharkov and Sevastopol, died in desperate, bitter fighting for what may have seemed then a hopeless cause. But the blows they struck, with what weapons they had, made possible the turning tide and the victory that will come.

Let us remember them, all of them, and the men who must give their lives today and every day until the enemy is finally crushed. And let us honor them with honest efforts to speed this war to its end to secure the world from the horror of its return.

PRIZE-WINNING ESSAYS BY ROLLA SCHOOL PUPILS

(Editor's Note: This is one of five first-prize winners in the recent essay contest, sponsored by the Phelps County Historical Society.)

WHY WE HAVE ROLLA

By Warren Murry, 1st Junior High, Grade 8.

Iron mining first brought settlers into the country around Rolla. The first mining was going on as early as 1719, it was carried on by Spaniards. Moses Austin suggested that because of lead and iron mines around the country that a School of Mines be in Potosi. For some reason it was never put through.

When Andrew Jackson had all the Indians moved west of the Mississippi River the Shawnees, who lived in Ohio, followed the Ohio River to the Mississippi where they settled near where Cape Girardeau now stands. Some of the Indians finally followed the Maramee River and found the large spring which is known today as Maramee Springs. The Indians found iron ore in the soil near Maramee Springs. The Indians took some of the ore back to Ohio to show Mr. Tom James. Mr. James sent Mr. Massey to Maramee Springs to prospect the ore and explore the country. Massey found conditions favorable for mining, there was plenty of water for drinking and power and lime for smelting the iron. When Massey was exploring the country he found Mr. John Webber, who was the first settler of Rolla and moved here about 1845.

The iron from Maramee Springs was widely known all over the country. Many of the wagons going to California were filled with iron ore from Maramee Springs. Ninety per cent of Missouri's fields were plowed with plow shares that were made at Maramee.

While the Maramee iron works was doing so well an idea was brought up for a railroad from St. Louis to Maramee. A convention was held in 1849 about the railroad, finally it was decided to put a line out to Rolla. The work was started and the line was on its way out two years after the convention. The Frisco planned to keep the railroad expenses up by having iron, lead and passengers.

When Phelps County was formed some men bought the land that was controlled by other counties and set up Phelps County. To determine where the County Seat would be lines were drawn from one corner to the other on a map and Rolla was found in the center.

A meeting was called for the naming of the town. It was decided to name it after Raleigh North Carolina, but one of the men pronounced it Rolla. It was then voted to spell and pronounce it Rolla.

The first citizens of Rolla were John Webber and Mr. Bishop, who was the real founder of our town. The first city ordinances were on liquor and slaves, they were made by Bishop and Webber who were two of the town's first city councilmen.

Mr. Walker edited the first newspaper, the name was "The Rolla Express". The first edition was made in July 1860. During the time when the paper was started, there was talk of Missouri's seceding from the Union. Mr. Walker wrote very strongly against seceding, which made the people who were for seceding very angry so they forced him to stop printing his paper.

When the Union got word that Price's army was to come through Rolla they sent troops to meet them. The soldiers built Fort Wyman and camped on the land around.

The coming of the troops caused those for seceding to run. Mr. Walker took advantage of their fleeing and wrote a story on how they ran after the soldiers came. In 1881 a group of boys thought it would be fun to but up a rocket. They shot it off where Williams Shoe Store now stands and it fell on a building where the Herald office is today. Most buildings in the block and the school burned in the fire that resulted.

The city built a new school which is known today as the Rolla Building at the School of Mines. The building cost the city about thirty five thousand dollars. It was so big that Public School classes were held on the first floor while the upstairs was rented to the School of Mines. The school was found too large for practical use of the Public Schools so it was sold to the Missouri School of Mines and the Public Schools moved back to the old school which stood near the Court House.

Allied Forces In Sight of Rome

MEMORIAL SERVICES, WORK ON SURGICAL DRESSINGS TO BE EFFECTED AT NEWBURG. NEWBURG (Special)—Those interested in helping make the surgical dressings are urged to attend Monday and Wednesday afternoons at the Old High School Building. A number of young girls of high school age attended last week and instructors were on hand to aid them in the work.

Memorial Services will be conducted at the Newburg Cemetery, Tuesday morning at 10:30. The Legionnaires and Boy Scouts will assist in the services. The address of the occasion will be delivered by the Rev. Orval Haines.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

Note: We welcome expressions of opinion by our readers. Such opinions are the writers' own, and not necessarily that of the NEW ERA. All letters must be signed, but in publishing them, we will be glad to use a "pen name" if desired—The NEW ERA.

CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF COLORED USO HERE.

Editor's Note: The USO Council has learned of plans to close the colored USO building here and release the building to the City Council for further disposition. One plan, it is understood, would turn the building over to a Federal agency located here. There are other applicants, it is further understood. Following is a copy of a letter handed to us today, for this "open letter" column, original of which went to Mayor Jones:

Rolla Mo.
May 29, 1944
Mayor W. J. Jones,
Rolla, Mo.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

I know that you have the interest of the community at heart, and that you are anxious to consider every possible advantage to the "whole community".

The disposition of the colored U. S. O. building is a matter that affects the whole community, and it is this matter that I wish you to consider.

In the first place, we are ahead of the Federal agency in control in even discussing this, as the building has not yet been turned over to anyone, and before war's end U. S. O. might have urgent need for this building (it could sleep a lot of soldiers who now camp on Rolla streets, on lawns, in doorways, etc. on week ends even now.)

The buildings were to be turned over to the city council when U. S. O. no longer needed them, to be used for the benefit of our community (the whole community?).

It is a matter of concern to me and to every citizen of this community as to the disposition of any city buildings.

This community needs a community center badly and I can assure you that after talking to the heads of Veterans organizations, the U. S. O. council and other civic groups that this point is proven. Then, what of post war conventions that could and would be brought to Rolla if space were available to hold such meetings.

Salem, Mo. has a community center that does credit to the community, Rolla has no such meeting place.

Do the people of Rolla want such a community center? Before we give our consent for any building that essentially belongs to the "whole community" to any other use, it seems we should find out what the WHOLE COMMUNITY wishes are.

The Federal Security Agency, Social Security Board, Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance (one parent agency) and the city council put up the money and lots to build these buildings. They used the "whole community" money. Who should have use of the buildings, the "whole community" or a special group?

Knowing that you and the city council wish to do the bidding of the people you are elected to serve I sincerely ask these questions and I am anxious to keep this matter as impersonal yet as objective as is possible.

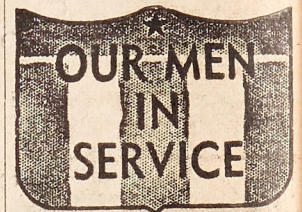
Yours for a bigger, better and prosperous Rolla.
(Signed) W. B. Stoltz ch.
Rolla U. S. O. Council.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, May 29. — (UP)—American forces pushed to within 17 miles of Rome today in a new drive that threatened to turn the Alban Hill defenses and carry into the capital from the south, but German resistance was stiffening all along the front.

(The Exchange Telegraph Agency placed the Fifth Army 16 miles from Rome, while a German transoceanic dispatch from Rome said Allied shells and bombs were "raining ceaselessly" on the outskirts of the capital. Romans were "united in prayers for the salvation of the city," Transocean said.)

American elements of the Fifth Army made the closest Allied approach yet to Rome with a thrust from the north side of the old Anzio beach-head to within a mile south of Campoleone, below the Alban Hills and some seven miles southwest of the Apennian way stronghold of Velletri.

Troops in the hills overlooking Velletri, 23 miles southeast of Rome and an important junction on the Via Cassiana, said they already could see the Italian capital.



BILL K. WINTERS IS HERE ON FURLOUGH.

Bill K. Winters of the U. S. Air Forces is here on leave, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Winters. Winters has completed aviation cadet training at Tampa, Fla., and is going to Lincoln, Neb., for further training as a 4-motored bomber pilot.

LT. EUGENE C. SCHLOEMER ARRIVES IN ENGLAND.

Second Lt. Eugene C. Schloemer, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schloemer, 597 South Rolla street, has arrived safely on an invasion base "somewhere in England," according to a cable received Saturday by his parents.

A fighter pilot, Lt. Schloemer cabled his parents: "All well and safe. Please don't worry. All my love."

RAY BROTHERS FIGHTING ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF WORLD.

Walter and Everett Ray, brothers, are fighting with the U. S. armed forces on opposite sides of the world. Sons of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ray, who live on Route 2, west of Rolla, Pvt. Walter Ray is "somewhere in the Pacific" and Pvt. Everett Ray is "somewhere in England." Recent letters from the brothers indicated they are okay, their mother said.

A/C LANEY HOME FOR WEEK END.

Melvin Laney, air student stationed at the University of Missouri in Columbia, spent his week end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Laney, near Rolla. Other guests in the Laney home, who came especially to see him were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Laney and family of Belle and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell of Dixon.

JOS. F. AYERS HURT IN WRECK

Joseph F. Ayers was seriously hurt Friday when his car left Highway 63 north of Vichy and overturned.

Mr. Ayers, who is chairman of the Democratic county committee and part-owner of the Rolla Advertiser, was alone at the time. It is reported his car left the highway during a rainstorm and overturned. Fred and Cecil Herrman came by a short time later and helped him to the McFarland hospital here.

He was reported remaining in a serious condition today with a back injury and broken ribs. His son said the X-ray showed two cracked vertebrae and several fractured ribs. He has been placed in a cast.

NO PAPER TUESDAY

There will be no issue of the NEW ERA Tuesday, Memorial day.