

A Letter From Overseas

S/Sgt. George T. May, son of Rev. and Mrs. G. W. May, of Red Oak, N. C., who is now serving his country as an aerial gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress based in Italy, wrote the following letter to his Mother on the day that a number of his comrades were killed in action during a bombing mission.

Jan. 11, 1944.

Dearest Mother:

This evening many of my buddies, who have never known anything else but love and companionship of our fellowmen died. They were small fellows, just like the neighbor's son across the street; the kid behind the drug counter who always seems to wear a smile, even though the hours are long and tough, and too, like all the boys in these states of ours, true Americans, to the man.

Needless to say, they were murdered by rats. They did not have a chance. They will never see their homes, mothers, or the states they loved enough to lay down their lives for, again. They wanted no war. They wanted no blood on their hands, because they were Americans, and Americans have tried to live peacefully by the laws of God, since the birth of this nation. Yet, many of them died!

Although, truly, the deed is stunning and unbelievable, it is done. We are sure now, of what was for a long time doubtful in our minds—the question of the possibility of an enemy dropping out of nowhere, striking, and then vanishing. We know that it could just as easily be our own homes, families and friends, that would be the target.

There was a time when we could fight our war from the pulpit. Its more serious now. Our own lives are threatened to the extent that we must fight, or die, and life is too beautiful a thing to throw to a bunch of rats without a fight. We will fight! We will win! Because we fight not only under the greatest country's colors in the world, but also under God's colors. Some will die, because the Almighty wills it that way, and we place all our trust in Him. We are not afraid mother. The thought of our loved ones back home who are suffering mental torture on account of this conflict erases all instinct of fear.

The gallant men who have met death this day will not have died in vain.

We go into this thing with a prayer on our lips, our heads high, wits keen, and eyes wide open.

We, as men don't pretend to understand the depth of a mother's love, but personally I trust that you, mother, will put all the feeling, love, and consecration of your entire being into prayer, instead of useless worrying, fretting and tears.

Not mentioning any names but I know some slant-eyed sons of Satan and Hitlerites who had better get religion quick, before those pearly gates slam in their faces.

Keep your chin up Mother, and remember you're my best girl. I'm O. K. So don't worry.

Devotedly, your son,
GEORGE.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation for all the help and kindness of our many friends in our great sorrow since the death of our son, Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Frank Fuller.

The element in sweet clover which causes a type of bleeding disease in cattle, is now being adapted to use in human medicine to prevent dangerous post-operative blood clots, say the veterinarians.

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VICTORY ON THE FARM FRONT

NEWS from the Agricultural Extension Service

STATE COLLEGE ANSWERS TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

QUESTION: Is it best to use limestone or land plaster on peanuts?

ANSWER: State College agronomists advise the use of dolomitic limestone for Spanish type peanuts. It is safer to use land plaster on Virginia type peanuts where the calcium level is not known and on new peanut land. Use dolomitic limestone on soils shown to be moderately high in calcium by soil test, or where limestone has produced high quality peanuts by field test. Where other crops in the rotation are not heavily fertilized, use 75 pounds of muriate of potash or 300 pounds of 0-10-10, the agronomists advise. Apply the potash or 0-10-10 on top of the row as the peanuts break through the ground. Do not apply when plants are wet, or to the side of the row where the potash will be thrown up in the bed where the peanuts form.

QUESTION: Can you give me suggestions for getting a good stand of cotton?

ANSWER: Treat all planting seed with cerasan and be sure the seed are of good germination, advise State College agronomists. If wilt is present on your farm, ask your county agent or seedman about wilt-resistant seed. Cotton planted reasonably early has a better chance in the boll weevil fight. Plant 5 to 6 pecks of seed per acre. Plant at a proportionately higher rate, if the seed do not germinate 80 per cent or better.

QUESTION: What are the best soybean varieties for oil?

ANSWER: Wood's Yellow and Tokio are good standard varieties. Ogden and Volstate are outstanding new varieties with a good oil content, report State College agronomists. Volstate in particular is quite resistant to shattering. Do not plant brown or black beans for oil, say the agronomists. Inoculation of soybeans is necessary on fields where the crop has not been previously grown.

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Thursday—Franklinton-Younsville 4-H Clubs; Mitchiners.
Friday—Raleigh Training School.
Saturday—Office.

Canning Supplies
Though the canning season, right now, seems far away it is an excellent idea to prepare for it. Nutrition experts estimate that with a year around garden each person needs approximately seventy quarts of canned fruits, vegetables, meats, preserves and pickles. Check the family supply of jars for number of jars and the condition of the jars. Purchase needed supply of jars, rubbers and lids.

Check the pressure cooker. If new parts are needed they may be ordered from the company. Hot water canners are being made now and should be on the market this spring.

Can extra turnip salad and other spring salads. Wash thoroughly in cold water; drain well. Steam for 4 minutes, pack in quart jars, cover with liquor left from spraining, add 1 teaspoon of salt and cook in pressure cooker for 65 minutes at 15 lbs. pressure.

North Carolina Hereford breeders are sending 73 bulls to the Alabama Bull Sale on March 29, another market for Tar Heel breeders in the Black Belt of Alabama.

THE LOW DOWN from HICKORY GROVE

With groundhog day over, and the sap starting to run, and the woodpeckers beginning their tattoo, more and more candidates are clearing their throats. How they all manage to get on the planes and trains while everybody else is being told to stay at home, has me sorta up a tree, and befuddled.



Jo Serra

Most of the ones touring up and down and across the nation, are all set to save the world—not just the U. S. A. I am waiting for somebody to come along who is going to do something about saving us here at Hickory.

These folks who say they are in politics to save the world and not for their own benefit, are somewhat like the duck who was driving into town one day and met a neighbor. The neighbor says, "Bill, where are you going?" "Oh," says Bill, "I am going into town to get drunk, and how I do dread it."

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

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WAR NEWS (Continued from Page 1)

ly today, and Farrell's troubled regime apparently had weathered its first crisis.
Lt.-Col. Tomas Duco, a political unknown, staged the revolt with his Third Infantry Regiment, perhaps in hopes of acting as a fuse for a revolution by the navy and other dissident army groups to return Gen. Pedro Ramirez to the presidency. Ramirez stepped down in favor of Vice-President Farrell in palace coup last Thursday.

Rebels Surrender
Duco and his men—perhaps 1,000 strong—"surrendered unconditionally" early today after marching from Buenos Aires to a suburb, a government announcement declared.

London, March 1.—The Finnish people were informed in a Helsinki communique tonight of Russia's "peace-now-or-else" armistice terms, which were disclosed to have been endorsed by Britain. Hope persisted that the little Axis satellite would accept the terms and get out of the war.

The Finnish radio outlined the six points of the Russian proposal, broadcast last night from Moscow, and said the terms had been transmitted to parliament. It was emphasized, however, that no negotiations were in progress. The effect of a Russian-Finnish peace on the other Axis satellites—Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary—was not overlooked. The Hungarian MTI agency announced that Premier Nicholas Von Kallay would discuss "internal and external matters of great importance" tomorrow before deputies in the Hungarian Parliament.

The Americas are commonly thought of as the original home of tobacco but native tobacco plants, different from those in the Americas, were later found in Australia, research men report.

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The cost of each permit will be \$10.00 and each permit holder may take one friend along to fish.

The pond is now posted against hunting or fishing except to those people having permits.

Customers of the Mill may fish from the banks, free of charge, for a distance of 100 yards from the dam. When I say customers of the Mill I mean those people who bring corn to the Mill to be ground.

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