

Dickie and Gene, they're home now, you know they were with Capt. Falls at Camp Suttan, but he's been sent way out to Utah, I hear, yeah, those two little boys are cute as can be, uh, uh, Dickie sho' does look just like Doc' - spitten image of him - you about ready to plant your garden, I sho' am, aiming to plant mine next Monday, the 15th, always liked to plant on the 14th, but then its Sunday, this time, reckon as how one day won't make a nite of difference anyhow - how's your chickens, doing any good, - ours is just doing fair-to-middling, but La8 me R. A. Warlick's is plumb outa' this world to hear Raymond talk. But sho' nuff they are doing fine, - he gets 25 and 30 eggs a day from 32 hens - I've gotta' find out what he feeds his.

Oh, La' ain't that disgustin', somebody just keeps a ringing and a ringing in on us - didja' hear about the latest couple who is "expecting", # you didn't, well, chile, I can't tell you now cause there is just too many receivers down but I sho' will tell you the next time. Ring me up soon, now don't take so long Dot, cause I sho' do love to hear you rattle on and on and tell me all the news. There they go ringing on us again, bye, Dot - yeah - Bye.

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EXTRACT FROM SHELBY DAILY STAR \*\*\*SINCERELY HOPE IT INTERESTS YOU

"Write regularly and keep your friends informed as to yourself and your work. Letters from home will encourage you to go "straight" and aid you in making your career in the Service a most successful one. An occasional letter to your Pastor back home will also be deeply appreciated.

"Cultivate the friendship of your Chaplain and faithfully attend all the religious services arranged by him for your spiritual welfare. Our government commissions Chaplains because it believes every good serviceman needs the ministry of the Church. The religious man serves his country best and can be relied upon to do his full duty.

"Honor the uniform. Like the flag, it is the symbol of your country. So live and talk that those on the outside will have every respect for all in the military service and be chippy and proud to welcome the uniformed men of our Army and Navy at any time. Establish for yourself a reputation for cleanliness, neatness, and military bearing.

"Select your companions carefully. Many a fine recruit, by getting mixed up with the wrong crowd, has not only ruined his character, but also destroyed his soul. Select your friends and companions from among those who attend the Chapel services. Watch out for "spoilors" in the Service.

"Establish for yourself a reputation for a good character. So live and walk that others will respect you and have every confidence in you and what you say. Always bear in mind that you are a child of God."