

As to the major league baseball we might state that, at this stage of the game, it looks very much like the St. Louis Browns versus the St. Louis Cardinals come October first. The Browns are some $6\frac{1}{2}$ ahead of Boston which is in second place in the American League by virtue of its $\frac{1}{2}$ game lead over third place Detroit. The Yankees seem to be out of the money this fall. The St. Louis Cards have just set a modern National League record by winning their 80th game of the season on the earliest date in history. This date was August 16th. The previous record was set by Brooklyn '42 when they got victory number 80 on August 19th.

We are going to close this article with a few words about a game that is being played right here in the town of Lawndale. This game that we have in mind is the game of checkers, and is being played right on the original Hoover Rail. However, not all playing is done on the Hoover Rail for checkers has become so popular among the denizens of Lawndale that it has assumed a nocturnal aspect. Night games are played under the lights of some room not far removed from the Hoover Rail. For the past several days a checker tournament has been in progress. We have just received a news flash from the scene of activity giving us the standings of the participants in said tournament. The standings from first place through the twelfth given in order are as follows: Horace McKee, Forest Walker, Jake Ward, Sam Jeffers, Yates Lee, Lefty Blanton, Shannon Blanton, Wray Williams, Grady Davis, Tom Forney, Jack Eskridge, Carmie Wease. A noteworthy feature of checkers is the fact that it is a game that is no respecter of age. It is being enthusiastically played by the fathers as well as the younger set.

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Home For Week-end

Sgt. Mildred Eaker of Arlington, Va. spent the past week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Summie Eaker and family - Mildred "fenagled" this little week-end pass so as to be here with two of her brothers who were also visiting home. Pvt. Jimmy Eaker, of Camp Croft, S. C. and Norman Eaker of Wilmington, N. C. Summie was seen escorting Mildred from the bus and he was one more happy Dad.

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MY PRAYER

LORD GOD to THEE I pray:

For Myself:

I pray keep me straight and strong for the best service to Thee and to my fellowmen.

For my friends:

I pray give them Thy blessing, each according to his need.

For those with whom I have differences:

I pray help us to act as sons of Thine despite our contrary views.

For my home:

I pray keep safely those in the family circle and guide each one according to Thy purpose

For my country:

I pray make it truly God's country, the land where Thy name is honored and Thy Will is done.

For all the world:

I pray bless the people of every land who love Thee and I pray too for those who do not love Thee, may some means be found to change their hearts and turn their lives to Thee.

For our boys who are making the supreme sacrifice on the far-flung battlefronts of the world:

Give them the victory.

These and other blessings I ask in the Name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Calvin Gaillard,
Stem To Stern