

READERS COLUMN

S.O.Q., Ward 19, Navy Hospital, Portsmouth, Va.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—

I shall thank you for enough space in The Herald to tell my friends about my stay in this hospital. As many of you know this is one of the large Navy Hospitals. The United States Veterans Bureau also sends many men seeking hospitalization here for treatment.

Nature could not have been kinder to me than it was in giving such a delightful day for my trip here. Mrs. Hall drove me through the country in the automobile, and I believe I stood the trip better than had I tried the train. It did not take me long to get settled after reaching this place. A nice corner room with two windows was assigned me. The trip did not tire me over much, yet I was glad to get in the bed. Whether this was due to force of habit after four weeks, or because I was weaker than I realized, I have not yet decided.

If I was not afraid of making someone too hungry I would tell you what fine things have been placed on my trays three times a day. Well, should

I eat anything like all the delicious dishes sent to me on these trays you can expect me to have to order some larger pajamas.

The attention given by the personnel of the hospital is, all one could desire. The doctors are very human, and seem to be men of unusual ability. They seem to be just as devoted to their work as our fine doctors of the Twin Cities.

Just when I will get away is possibly more problematic to me than any one else because of the personal equation. I know I am better, I was even before I left home, and I trust that I will soon be discharged from here and will be back home ready to assume my work.

If I am here another week, I will write more about this place.

Sincerely yours,
LEON M. HALL.

Grundy, Va., Jan. 6, 1930.

DEAR BRO.:—

Enclosed find an article our little paper here so kindly printed as they do any article. I could not write to all I desired to last week so if I am a little late I am sending this trusting you will have space to publish this week.

You simply can't tell how I will appreciate it. You friends seem nearer to me than many places, as I had a happy stay a year as pastor of Rose-

mary circuit several years past. I write to the paper some along and only want to encourage a little anywhere also send a little message to my friends all at once, and I praise God for the great power and privilege of the press. I certainly desire to come to Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids sometime during the year, if so I will certainly drop by to see you friends.

If you can't print now, I trust to send a different article later. With best wishes for you all a good year in every way, I am,

Fraternally yours,
A. H. ANDREWS

Happy New Year to All.

I sincerely trust and pray that all may have a great year in this new year. Of course many who read this are Christians and seeking to use the golden opportunities we have every day and year to work for our precious Lord and help souls everywhere on the way to heaven, but let us all try to do more than ever. One dear soul that we all can win with God's help is a sacred trust and what we make it, with God's help. We pass this way only once. We can never live yesterday over again, but we will face each day and the record on the white pages of eternity as we term it. O! how careful we should be, do all of us

think enough about our influence day by day that will live on affecting other neverdying souls after death has claimed us? I am not writing this with the thought that many do not think of these things, but we that truly try to live the Christian life can and should be glad to encourage each other a little, then do our best to lead the unsaved on every hand to God, and help them to see the wonderful opportunities God gives to every single one. Dear unsaved friend you do not have the promise of another day, what if God should call, for your immortal soul's sake, I beg you to think, and above all to act, for action is what counts. Our blessed Lord never requires anything unreasonable, and it is the very best, happiest life if there was no eternity. One minute in the glory of heaven with all the redeemed of the earth will more than repay for all we may do or bear here. It is the most wonderful thing of life to follow Christ, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, to have his blessed presence and power each day of life. We do not have to wait till death for precious blessings all along the way. Some look at others too much, look to Jesus, the one who has all power and will never fail us as we truly pray and try to follow Him. It is not near as hard to follow if we are willing, as Satan often tries to tell us. Let us, like the

prophet Daniel, purpose in our hearts we will do God's will and work. Daniel was one of the most loyal and devoted servants of God in all the category of greatness. As we read of this young man definitely purposing in his heart that he would not eat the King's meat or drink the wine, may we ever be firmly decided not to indulge in or follow after anything of the flesh or of the world that is wrong or even hinders us physically or spiritually from being the best we can be and doing God's wonderful work as completely as possible. Many have habits that really injure their health and of course many things injure spiritually, O! how it pays to leave these off.

It is a great thing to discover the helping power of a fixed noble purpose. God always helps open the way to one who has this. The world really gets out of the way of a man who knows where he is going.

Of course just making a New Year or any kind of resolutions will not save us unless we have been, or unless we are born again, as Christ so plainly told Nicodemus, John 3rd chapter, 3rd verse. He was a good moral man but morality is not save, only Christ can do this, but it is left for all to choose whether they will give up sin and give their lives to Him, that they may really be cleansed from sin and born again. We haven't space to speak something of conversion and many things we may later. I am happy to ask all of God's people to pray for me, for we all should and do pray for each other. God graciously bless every single one, I pray, and He will help us to have a great year. Of course, there will be some work and likely crosses, but a joy in it and God's way remember is not really hard, the main thing is to have a definite purpose, pray, look on the bright side and press right on.

Yours in Christ,
A. H. ANDREW.

TWIN CITY HAPPENINGS

Mr. Mart White spent several days last week in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Francis Wyche of Petersburg, Va., spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Wyche.

Dr. and Mrs. Julian McGee spent the week-end here with their brother, Mr. J. E. McGee.

Mrs. Jennie Kenon, Mrs. Wine and Mr. George Ellebrook of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end here with Mrs. May Grizzard and Mr. and Mrs. Pendleton Grizzard.

Mrs. May Grizzard left Sunday for Washington, D. C., where she will spend some time.

Miss Winifred Beckwith has returned from a visit to relatives at Washington, N. C.

Mrs. Ridley Meacham of Petersburg, Va., is spending some time here with relatives and friends.

Mrs. T. R. Manning is spending home time with relatives in Henderson.

Miss Wilhelmina Branch of Enfield, has been spending some time here as the guest of Mrs. W. C. Williams.

Mrs. Emmet Matthews entertained with bridge last week at her home on Jackson Street. Two tables for players were placed in the living room and a splendid game was played. At conclusion of playing a salad course was served. Those present to enjoy Mrs. Matthews' hospitality were, Mrs. T. O. Wilson, Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Will Taylor, Mrs. A. L. Clark, Mrs. G. L. Northington, Mrs. J. W. Martin, and Mrs. Nora Grant.

The Welfare Department of the Rosemary-Roanoke Rapids Womens Club met with the Chairman, Mrs. T. M. Jenkins on Monday afternoon at three o'clock. There were fourteen members present and many plans were discussed for carrying on the work of this department. It was decided to meet the second Monday in each month at the home of the Chairman, at three o'clock. The officers of this department are: Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, chairman, Mrs. C. N. Wheeler, vice chairman, Mrs. W. C. Lynch, treasurer and Mrs. W. L. Long, secretary. The members present at this meeting were: Mesdames C. T. Thrift, A. E. Akers, B. J. Dunning, W. L. Long, T. W. M. Long, C. W. Davis, J. M. Jackson, R. L. Towe, W. C. Lynch, W. V. Womble, L. S. Cannon, C. F. Ogletree, Leon M. Hall and Mrs. Seales.

The Monday Night Bridge Club was entertained by Mrs. Howard Pruden at her home on Monroe Street Monday evening. Three tables for players were found in the living room and places for players were found by attractive score cards. Mrs. Cooper Grizzard was given two lovely hand

made handkerchiefs as winner of high score prize. A delicious salad course was served the following players: Mesdames Hugh Camp, Julian Allsbrook, J. W. Ross, Allen Zollicoffer, David Traynham, Cooper Grizzard, George Hayes, Miss Ruth Transou, and Miss Margaret Clark. Guests: Mrs. Carol Wilson, Miss Lucille Carlon, Miss Elizabeth Bagley.

Terminal Inn, Weldon	87
Levy Patterson, Weldon	85
The Globe, Scotland Neck	85
Willis Cafe, Enfield	84 1-2
Coffield Cafe, Enfield	84
White Elephant, Enfield	80 1-2
South Inn Cafe, Enfield	80
American Cafe, Weldon	80
Hood Cafe, Roanoke Junction	78
Jasper Wilkins, Roanoke Jct.	71 1-2
Evening Star, Enfield	65

**Cafe, Market Scores
Month of December**

Market Scores	
A&P Grocery Co.	98
Rosemary Supply Co.	98
J. C. Wells	98
Starke Gro. Co.	97
Ideal Economy Store	97
Wayne Grocery Co.	97
Taylor Grocery Co.	97
New York Cafe, Weldon	95
Coffee Shoppe, Weldon	94
Rosemary Cafe, Rosemary	94
Duncan's Lunch, Roa. Rapids	93 1-2
Woodruff's Cafe, Roa. Rapids	93
All American, Rosemary	92
Star Cafe, Enfield	89 1-2
W. T. Dennis, Roa. Rapids	84
Halifax Cafe, Halifax	75
Colored Cafes	
Village Cash Store	91



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