

Want Ad A Short Story by One of the Herald's First Subscribers

The "Seth Perry Post" of the American Legion meets regularly on the third Friday evening of each month. "Sunny Jim" McConnell called the April meeting to order at exactly 8 o'clock, and every man stood at attention as the secretary solemnly called the roll of those of us who had not come back. After a brief talk by a visiting Legionnaire and the transaction of a small amount of business, the formal part of the meeting was adjourned.

Immediately the boys segregated into small groups to play cards and enjoy an hour or more of chatter before going to their respective homes. Most of us had been across the "big pond" to do our bit for the country, and we found it very pleasant to sit around and talk about "old times" and the various places we had made for ourselves in the new order of affairs which we had found when we returned. Jenkins, for example, had been a buck private with the A. E. F. in southern France and had come home to make an outstanding success as a small-town banker. Lieutenant Smith, of the same outfit as Jenkins, had returned and had gone into the business of plumbing. After trying to make a go at several things, I had finally taken up newspaper work and was now in charge of the Want Ad department of a small but thriving daily.

The greater part of the talk tonight was not about ourselves, however, but was about Hitler's treatment of the Jews. Jenkins remarked that it was a national disgrace for Hitler to drive the Jews from Germany. He related a story of a Jewish boy whom he had seen the bayonet pushed through his stomach and with the name of the fatherland on his lips. Others joined in with words and stories of praise for the Jewish lads in service on both sides. Finally someone said that it was nearing "zero hour" by which he meant that for the sake of peace and safety he would have to go home to the wife and children. Lieutenant Smith took out his German watch to look at the time. This watch was a remarkably fine one of unusual size and excellent workmanship. It was generally regarded as the best timepiece in town, and Smith had let the story get around that it was a gift from a German Jew whose life he had saved during the war. Smith said that the time was 11 o'clock, and all of us decided to go home.

As I sat at my desk some two or three days after this meeting, I was confronted by a splendid-looking middle-aged Jew who stated that he wished to insert an ad in our paper and inquired about the charges. The rates seemed satisfactory to him, so I asked to see the ad he wished to run. The following is an exact copy of the ad:

"In the early spring of 1918 the German and Allied lines in Southern France, near the little town of Villieux, were scarcely more than two hundred yards apart. Often when the wind was right, we could hear each other, but we could not see the men in the French trenches because directly between our sections there arose a small hill approximately 50 feet high and a mile or more in length. On April 18th I and four comrades, while on patrol duty just beyond the north end of this hill, were surprised and captured by an American lieutenant. The four of us had been students and could speak and understand English fairly well. We were surprisingly informed by this lieutenant that he was under orders not to leave his post and that it would be necessary for him to kill us since he was alone and could not carry us back as prisoners. Naturally, we fell upon our knees and pled earnestly for our lives, promising him all the money and valuables we had with us. These he rightly refused, but agreed to take one article from each of us with our names and addresses. He faithfully promised to see that these articles were sent to our relatives in Germany if he were fortunate enough to return home after the war. Then he made a confession that he had not the heart to brutally shoot four young men and offered us the alternative of making a dash in the open for our lives. We talked it over among ourselves for a few minutes and decided to accept his offer. We lined up four abreast much as contestants do for the dashes at track meets. The lieutenant counted: 'One! Two! Three!' and we made a break for our trenches.

"But, alas! Hardly had we run 25 yards before a deadly hail of machine gun bullets cut the four of us down as wheat straws fall under the stroke of the scythe. I regained consciousness after night had fallen, and having suffered only a broken thigh managed under the cover of darkness, to reach my friends and safety. I afterwards learned that my poor comrades had been killed outright.

"I do not know the name of this American lieutenant. I do not even know that he lives, for none of our relatives have ever received any of the tokens which we left in his possession. Nevertheless, if he is alive, please read this ad, it should be received should he

Ziegler & Son Agent For Stewart-Warner

Ziegler & Son, local furniture dealers, this week were appointed local agent for the Stewart-Warner electric refrigerators. In taking over the agency, Mr. Ziegler had the following to say about the new line:

"In a well managed home, the daily food loss is apparently insignificant. Yet authentic national surveys made recently on this subject show that the loss from food spoilage works like an unseen pickpocket. It steals from the average household an amount equal to \$63 a year.

"The loss may not be so great in some homes. But this survey based on carefully compiled records of thousands of households shows that this food spoilage does exist in every home where careful regard is not given to proper food preservation temperatures.

"Figures worked out by the United States Department of Labor show that 36 per cent of the average family income is spent for food. A survey by the California Fruit Growers Exchange shows that 73 per cent of food money in the average home goes for perishables. And a report by the National Conference of Marketing and Farm Credits reveals that 20 per cent of all food purchased is wasted by spoilage.

"Electric refrigeration can stop this waste. It is not necessary that there be such a drain on the family pocketbook. Knowledge of electric refrigeration has spread rapidly in recent years, as every woman knows, but three out of every four homes are still without electric refrigerators. These, especially, are the homes where "cold facts" about refrigeration are still needed, if their 20 per cent loss of all food by spoilage is to be stopped.

"Electric refrigeration enables the housewife to cut her food bills from 14 to 30 per cent. Food can be purchased in larger quantities without the slightest worry of loss due to spoilage. An excess quantity of food and left-overs can be kept fresh and appetizing for days. That's why it makes the dollar spent for food go farther. That's why it enables the housewife to buy in larger quantities with the worthwhile savings that are possible when food is bought that way.

"Actual tests under 1934 retail prices in Chicago food stores show that the following savings on food purchases are possible: milk 21 per cent, canned corn 18 per cent, peas

find the kindness in his heart to return the watch which I entrusted to him on that morning of April 18, 1918."

The ad was signed: Hans Heinrich, 115th Street, N. W., Baltimore, Maryland.

He paid the charges for running the ad in our columns for a week and left the office. We ran the ad as requested, and although it was unusual, I had forgotten the incident until reminded of it at the May meeting of our American Legion Post. At this meeting Lieutenant Smith was displaying a brand new watch of American manufacture. He explained that his wife had given it to him as a birthday present.

18 per cent, tomatoes 30 per cent, peaches 19 per cent, fruit salads 14 per cent and salad dressings 18 per cent. And on other food purchases the savings are in like percentage."

Mr. Ziegler invites anybody to visit his store and inspect the new Stewart-Warner electric refrigerator even if no purchase is made.

BANDIT'S RECORD BLOODY

Abu Jildeh, the desert desperado recently captured near Jerusalem, has one of the most bloody records attached to a modern criminal. He is charged with 17 murders and has been terrorizing the Palestine rural districts for years. Abu Jildeh, accompanied by his faithful confederate, Mustapha Armeet, also wanted for numerous murders, was tracked

down by the police to a cave. The bandits opened fire, but surrendered without inflicting any casualties. Abu Jildeh was literally a walking arsenal, carrying a German rifle, a revolver, a dagger, and a considerable quantity of ammunition. He had sworn never to be caught alive, and boasted that he would commit suicide first. Radio police disguised as Arabs and police dogs especially imported from Kenya were used in the man-hunt.

WARWICK BAPTIST CHURCH TO HOLD REVIVAL MEETING

Revival services will begin at Warwick Swamp Baptist church on Sunday. Rev. Frank Cale, pastor of the church will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Cole of Plant City, Florida.

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