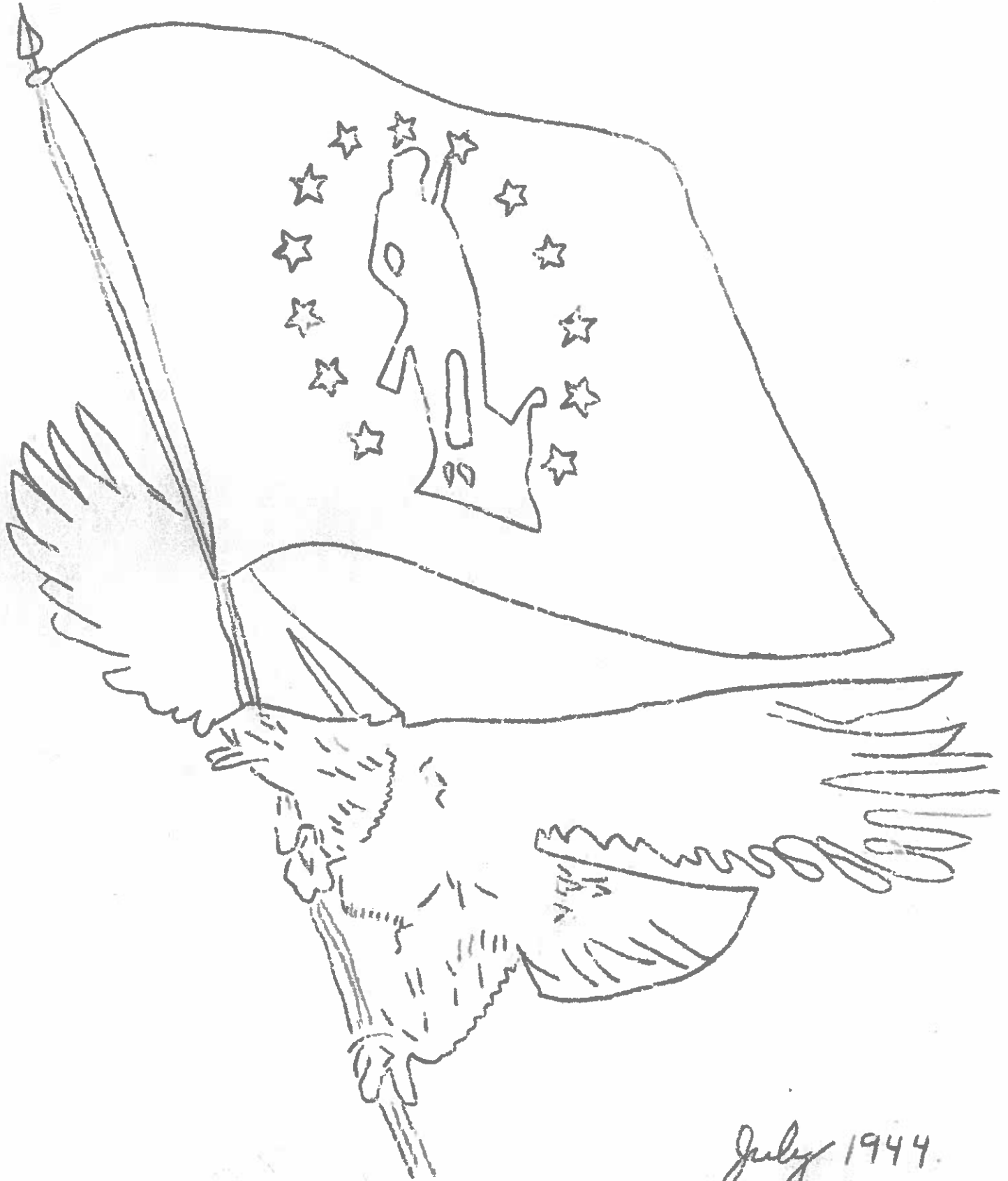


# Rock Hill Messenger



TO OUR MEN IN THE SERVICE  
July 1944

Helle! Men in the Service and one Lady,

As you may know Jean Stolz has joined the WACS. We do not have her definite address.

Sunday School is coming along pretty good under the circumstances. Children's Day program was good and the offering too, \$44.55. The decorating committee used a service flag with a red star for everyone in the service. Capt. Robert W. Dennis attended Sunday School May 28, and gave us a very interesting fifteen minute talk.

Rev. Smallwood from Utica, Ohio, is a candidate and preached to us June 18. As you know no one can please everyone; personally I thought he did right well. I am afraid we are just a little hard to please. Plans were made today, June 25, to have Rev. Smallwood return at an early date, we want to hear him again. Dr. Paul Elbin preached to us today. Dr. Elbin is president of the West Liberty College. S. Sgt. Bernard C. Giffin attended church at Rock Hill June 18 and 25. Last, but not least, our Messenger Staff is hard hit. Donald Nelson, one of our typists and editor of "Laugh Awhile", is in the army now and is located at Amarillo Field, Texas. Loretta Greenlee, typist and editor of the first page, "To Our Men in the Service", is in bed with the mumps. We are imposing on good nature and taking advantage of vacation time. Evelyn Nelson, Bernard's wife is spending the weekend at our home and has kindly consented to help out on the typing. Last month Miss Mary Roth was home and typed several copies.

I am sorry to say this is the first time in months that we haven't had a letter to print in the Messenger. Our Committee would be glad to know if you are getting the paper. We have had very few to return.

Picnic time is here. The Builders Class will have their picnic on the church lawn Saturday evening, July 1. Wheat is ripening. Bob Whites are calling "Bob White! your wheat is right." We have had plenty of rain; corn looks good. Hay makers are making hay, and again I say,  
Good luck, God bless you,

Charles A. Nelson.

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## SAILOR MAIL

Can't write a thing  
The Censor's to blame  
Just that I'm well  
And sign my name.

Can't have a flashlight  
To guide me at night,  
Can't smoke a cig,  
Except out of sight.

Can't tell where we sail from,  
Can't mention the date,  
And can't even number  
The meals that we eat.

Can't keep a diary,  
For such is a sin,  
Can't even keep the envelope  
Your letter came in.

Can't say where we're going  
Don't know where we'll land  
Couldn't inform you  
If met by a band.

Can't say for sure, folks,  
Just what I can write  
So I'll call this my letter  
And close with "Good Night".

Can't mention the weather,  
Can't say if there's rain;  
All military secrets  
Must secrets remain.

### NEWS ITEMS

Robert Wilson Long, son of the Rev. B.J. Long, former pastor of the Rock Hill Presbyterian Church, has been given the presidential citation for valor and devotion to duty while serving as meteorologist with the army air force flying the "hump" from India to China. Wilson has recently been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Greenlee, Rock Hill, was assembled in their home Sunday for the first time in seven years. All their children, six daughters and four sons, also twenty-three grandchildren enjoyed the reunion featuring a noon dinner and evening supper.

Captain Robert W. Dennis has reported to the AAF redistribution station at Atlantic City after serving twelve months overseas in the Asiatic-Pacific war zone. While overseas, Capt. Dennis piloted a B-18 Bolo, a B-23 Dragon, a B-25 Mitchell and a C-47 Skytrain. He engaged in six combat missions and wears the distinguished flying cross. We learned today that he has been assigned to Great Falls, Montana.

The Ladies Aid served a supper for the Kiwanis Club at the Grange Hall June 13. Ralston Kerr of the Buckeye Savings & Loan, while attending the event, was thrown from a horse owned by Bill Kuchinka and badly shaken up and had his arm broken.

Most of the ladies of Rock Hill are busy canning sour cherries.

Semper Fidelis Class had a farewell party June 16, honoring Pvt. Jean Stolz.

The Christian Endeavor Society held a farewell party May 29, for Donald Nelson.

Mary Roth, who is employed in Dayton, spent a week's vacation with her parents.

Mrs. Minnie McAllister is visiting in the community.

Phyllis Taylor, daughter of Stanley and Carol McClain Taylor, died June 17, at her home on 49th st., Bellaire.

## NEWS ITEMS CONTINUED

Isabelle Greenlee is leaving soon for California, tell you more next time.

Pvt. Bernard Giffin, who has enjoyed a twenty-eight day furlough, returned today to Fort Ord, California.

Pvt. Kenneth K. Braun is now somewhere on the East coast.

There has been four of our girls at Girl Reserve camp for the past week: Joan Giffin, Dorothy Nelson, Dorothy M. and Betty Kay Mehlman.

A freak storm swept the tri-state area June 23, taking a toll of 144 lives and causing much damage. We have had many rain and wind storms but nothing serious.

Pvt. Robert E. Untersuber is somewhere in the Pacific.

Chester Parker, Robert Tarbet, Calvin Giffin, Dorothy Nelson, Alvin Mayer and Boyd Nelson are attending Christian Endeavor Conference at East Liverpool.

The 11th of June Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lydecker, Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Wm. Thomas of Canton, Ohio, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Wise.

Word has been received that Hugh Nelson Houck, (AS Navy V-12 Unit, Room 610A, Grad. House, M.I.T., Cambridge 39, Mass.) has been hospitalized for appendicitis at the Navy Hospital, Chelsea, Mass. Hugh's mother is the former Mary Nelson of Rock Hill.

Mrs. Rose McClain Billhart, and daughter Carol, have returned to their home at Franklin, Ind. She was here for the funeral of her niece Phyllis Taylor.

Mrs. M. G. Baker is visiting her daughter in Columbus.

We just received word that Rev. Smallwood will preach to us again July 2.

Roy Givens was very busy keeping a stray kitten from attending church services June 25.

The fifth war loan is on in full in our community, we are expected to buy more bonds than ever before. We shall do it.

### Loyalty

When friends stand by you faithfully, as mine have stood by me,  
There isn't much to fret about as far as I can see,  
And though at times within the skies, there's little of the blue,  
The helping hand of loyalty has ever led me through.  
I'm not unmindful of the fact for any progress made,  
For any real success of mine, I'm owing friendly aid,  
Through toil and strife throughout my life,  
The help that I've rec'd., has been means toward the end of every goal achieved  
And so it's just this little thought that I would leave with you,  
There's nothing in all the world like friendship that is true,  
And as I journey on and on, God grant my earnest plea,  
That I may be as good a friend as friends have been to me.

LAUGH AWHILE

On the Beam

Emily Post takes a whole page to explain how a young man should ask a girl to dance.

The un-posted youth simplifies it all by saying, "Come on, worm, let's wiggle."

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This Way

Two travelers in Ireland, returning home late one night, lost their way, said one, "We are in a cemetery; this is a gravestone."

"Whose is it?" asked the other.

The more sober of the two having struck a match said, "I don't know, but he seems to have lived to a good old age - 175."

"See, can you read the name?" insisted the companion.

Another match having been lit -- "I don't know him, some fellow called Miles from Dublin."

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Customer: "My goodness eggs are high!"

Grocer: "Sure, part of the war program."

Customer: "How?"

Grocer: "All the hens are making shells."

Ruth rode in my little jeep

Directly back of me;

I hit a bump at sixty-five;

And rode on ruthlessly!

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Can you give a sentence with enclosure in it?

Sure! In a bathing suit you are a knockout, but in clothes you're not so hot.

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Doctor: "Hummm--you certainly have acute appendicitis."

Sally: "Oh, Doctor, you flatter me."

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Do you know why the moron stood on the corner with a knife in one hand and a gun in the other?

He didn't know whether to cut up the street or shoot down the alley.

(Did you hear about the moron who went behind the door to change his mind?)

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Tall Story

British Sailor: "Battleship? Why, the flagship of our Navy is so big the Captain goes around the deck in an auto."

Yankee Sailor: "That's nothing. The galley in our flagship is so big the cook has to go through the Irish stew in a submarine to see if the potatoes are done."

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A young lady, finding herself stranded in a small town, asked an old man at the station where she could spend the night.

"There ain't no hotel here, but you can sleep with the station agent."

"I'll have you know I'm a lady."

"So is the station agent."

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Why did they call the garter Salesman Jesse James?

Because he was a holdup man.

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Every heel needs a sock!!!

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Papa: "So you desire to become my son-in-law, do you, young man?"

Young Man: "Frankly, I don't; but I see no way out if I intend to marry Elaine."

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Did you hear the/about the twin bed? We haven't made it up yet.

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