

MRS STAM RECEIVES LETTER FROM HOLLAND

The NyssaGate City Journal and its readers are indebted to Mrs. Joe Stam for the following letter written to her by a relative from occupied Holland. It is the first to our knowledge to reach this region since the German invasion of the Low Lands.

My Dear Family,

You will no doubt be anxious to hear from us and since it seems to be possible to forward letters per Clipper via Lisbon I shall try to get this one through the heavy barriers of censorship. First of all the whole of our family in this country is O.K. Nothing dead, all alive.

The situation May 19, 1940 was thus: Mother was in Wageningen, Siem and wife were in the Hague, Aunt Allie in Amsterdam. I was in Enschede, being at an office of a company working with 7 branches in British East Africa. When at about 3 o'clock the German planes started humming above our peaceful country and their troops invaded Holland.

Our country were blocked by our All roads to the western part of troops so I could do nothing but wait, being very safe after all, for Ensch had no defense at all. The Ysel line was the first line of defense. At about four o'clock we were Germans, as they invaded by the roads of Winterswijk and Oldenzaal when you have a map, take a look at it. Well, it was a fine mess we were in, with bundles of airplanes sometimes 30 at a time bombing our lines and filling the air with a hell like thunder. I was not in the army unfortunately, as I had been refused some years ago, my feet being in bad condition then. Now we had two important lines of defense, viz. the Ysel line and the Grebbe line being the stronger especially at Grebbe itself. Wageningen had to be evacuated which has happened in more or less good way. Mother who was just recovering from a rather bad illness (she is fine again) was fetched at about 8 o'clock by her niece, Charlotte, from Apeldoorn with a taxi cab, which could only reach Apeldoorn again because of the blowing up of the bridges and other obstacles. The Germans, as you all know, are no doubt good soldiers and our army, though trying to make the best of it could not stand an army like that. However, at the Grebbe line a terrible mass of Germans had their life lamps blown out, while our losses were small in comparison. They had literally everything with them; practical wagons, good clothing, and splendid tools, that must be said. Well, then you will have heard of the bombing of Rotterdam, about which I am sorry to have to keep my mouth shut, as otherwise my letter will not arrive in America. First Rotterdam was "einghend" bombed, then we were threatened with a bombing of Utrecht and Amsterdam, so that we for other reasons too (Germans were too strong for us, of course) had to capitulate. Already in Enschede I heard of the heavy damages Wageningen had got and I did not think too much of Ladwicksche Alle 7 since the Dutch guns were directed in this direction.

May 17 I went on my bike from Enschede to Wageningen and I had a lovely trip with all the bridges blown up at Deventer and Arnhem. Coming down to, I found a perfect image of warfare. One third of the Hoogstraat at the side of the Rhene was lying in ashes. The beautiful church on the market place was completely shot to pieces, only the sad rest of the walls pointing black into the skies. I went through the Hoogstraat, stunned by the sight of all the ruins and turned in the Nieuweg, riding slower and slower with no other thought than our house would be in pieces too. None of that: Save for a couple of windows nothing was damaged, nothing was stolen for on the Berg everyone had lots of things stolen.

It is not within my reach here to tell you how we Dutch are going on nowadays.—up till now we are not suffering from want of food even though a lot of our supplies have disappeared to other legions. As to the political situation there is a national socialist movement in Holland, the N. S. B. who is eagerly trying to get the best jobs and which hopes to get all power in hand in a short time. Well, I can tell you this that if that party tries to think that they can handle us like babies, they will enjoy a lovely civil war. Never in history there was a party more hated and despised than this one. Besides they form a minority of about 3 per cent of our population while the majority settles in the Netherlands Unie, established this summer. I do not give a penny for the lives of these N. S. B.'ers, when the situation would turn out bad for them. It seems strange, but we like the Germans above those people, who first howled 'Long Live the Orange.' And now how they can smear the mud on the House of Orange. And that exactly is the point they have completely mistaken in the Dutch folks. The house of Orange takes a very great place in the hearts of the Dutch and it is not the work of a couple of months to get that out of them. The dirty language those N. S. B.'ers have used against the Royal House will not be forgotten by all of us.

Our papers have suffered a great change since May 10, and we get all censored reports from the several fronts which is a great nuisance for us who were used to getting news from both sides. . . . The English broadcast has been forbidden us, but when I tell you there are almost daily sentences for listeners of the English radio who have been trapped (the trapping is almost always treachery by the members of the above mentioned new party) then you form for yourself the idea of the mood in which the Dutch are living.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Jobs are very scarce at the moment. Herewith, my dear people, I give you mother's and my love and good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Let us hope that better times will arrive and that some things will vanish forever from this lovely Mother Earth. . . . Do write if possible but be careful of your words. They are not free, thanks to the ever growing civilization. Love, From Fred.

Monday No Longer "Blue" When The Wash Is Done Electrically



An electric washing machine saves work, time and clothes.

By IRA MILLER
Farm Electrification Bureau

ON the farm, as in the city, Monday by custom long has been established as "wash day." And in country and town alike, it is indeed a "blue" day for the housewife who must do her laundry with antiquated tub, washboard and iron.

For many years the majority of city women have had two "outs" from wash day drudgery—all-electric equipment if they do their washing at home, or a competent commercial laundry to which they can send it.

But the farm wife, until comparatively recent times, has been forced by her location to do the weekly wash in the same slow and laborious manner as did her mother and grandmother. Countless trips for water to cistern, well or spring; heating innumerable gallons of water on an old-fashioned stove; washing clothes on a scrub board in old-fashioned tub or hand-powered washing machine; wringing clothes by hand or hand-turned wringer; and, after drying, ironing with appropriately-named "sad" irons.

Today, thanks to the rapid extension of electric service, all that is-or can be—changed in one-third of all the farm homes in this country. For electricity means that hot and cold running water are available at the turn of a faucet (with the installation of a pressure water heater); it means the use of a modern electric washing machine with power wringer, and it means an electric iron or ironer.

Using an electric washing machine, the time required for the average family wash is about a third or a half that needed by hand. The newer drying types of electric washers will wash and dry clothes in approximately three hours instead of the eight or nine hours needed by old-time methods. It thus is possible for the farm wife to save as much as six hours of back-breaking labor each wash day if she makes full use of electric service in her work.

Good electric washing machines with power wringers vary from approximately \$50 to about \$150. Generally, the more expensive the machine the longer its life, the more efficient and reliable its operation and the greater its capacity.

The power required will vary with the nature of the wash and the season of the year—within limits, it will be reasonably constant irrespective of the number in the family. For the average farm wash, the current used is only two or three kw.-hr. per month. Even at a five-cent rate that amounts to but 10 to 15 cents—certainly a small sum to ban-

Monday No Longer "Blue" When The Wash Is Done Electrically



An electric washing machine saves work, time and clothes.

By IRA MILLER
Farm Electrification Bureau

ON the farm, as in the city, Monday by custom long has been established as "wash day." And in country and town alike, it is indeed a "blue" day for the housewife who must do her laundry with antiquated tub, washboard and iron.

For many years the majority of city women have had two "outs" from wash day drudgery—all-electric equipment if they do their washing at home, or a competent commercial laundry to which they can send it.

But the farm wife, until comparatively recent times, has been forced by her location to do the weekly wash in the same slow and laborious manner as did her mother and grandmother. Countless trips for water to cistern, well or spring; heating innumerable gallons of water on an old-fashioned stove; washing clothes on a scrub board in old-fashioned tub or hand-powered washing machine; wringing clothes by hand or hand-turned wringer; and, after drying, ironing with appropriately-named "sad" irons.

Today, thanks to the rapid extension of electric service, all that is-or can be—changed in one-third of all the farm homes in this country. For electricity means that hot and cold running water are available at the turn of a faucet (with the installation of a pressure water heater); it means the use of a modern electric washing machine with power wringer, and it means an electric iron or ironer.

Using an electric washing machine, the time required for the average family wash is about a third or a half that needed by hand. The newer drying types of electric washers will wash and dry clothes in approximately three hours instead of the eight or nine hours needed by old-time methods. It thus is possible for the farm wife to save as much as six hours of back-breaking labor each wash day if she makes full use of electric service in her work.

Good electric washing machines with power wringers vary from approximately \$50 to about \$150. Generally, the more expensive the machine the longer its life, the more efficient and reliable its operation and the greater its capacity.

The power required will vary with the nature of the wash and the season of the year—within limits, it will be reasonably constant irrespective of the number in the family. For the average farm wash, the current used is only two or three kw.-hr. per month. Even at a five-cent rate that amounts to but 10 to 15 cents—certainly a small sum to ban-

Tom Porterfield, Mr. Ralph Stevens and little son, Levi, and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Reed went to Boise where Mrs. C. C. Meltvedt had a family dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Halton Stephens were also present.

BIG BEND

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Nichol of Nampa spent last Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Steelman.

The Nickens family, who lived in the Robertson tenant house moved to Wilder.

Robert Olp has rented the Maginnis ranch near Mitchell Bute and will move soon.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Phelan were Ontario visitors Friday.

The children of Wade district enjoyed a valentine party at the school house Friday afternoon.

The Jolly James will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Gayle.

A farewell party will be held at Wade school house Thursday evening honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ohnston and Mr. and Mrs. John Timmerman.

Lee Baldrige has bought the Henry Imbler ranch which has been farmed by Til Whitley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinterlider and daughters, Marie and Lucille, of Nampa, and Delbert and Charles Douglas of Alliance, Nebraska were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dyre Roberts and family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Peck of Boise, former Bend residents spent several days visiting their daughter, Mrs. Lester French and family and on Saturday evening enjoyed a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philin Case where their son, Charles and family of Coulee Dam are visiting.

COUNTY OFFICIALS STRESS FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS FOR DEFENSE



—Photo by Highway Information Service.

Importance of farm-to-market roads to national defense was highlighted by deliberations of County Highway Officials at 38th annual "Roads for Defense" Convention of American Road Builders' Association in New York City, January 27-31.

Left to right, above, are L. V. Belknap, president, ARBA County Highway Officials' Division and engineer-manager, Jackson County Road Commission, Pontiac, Mich.; N. P. Paul B. Rynning, Board of County Commissioners, Miami, Fla.; Lowrey, vice-chairman, McLennan County, Waco, Tex., engineer, division vice-president. Belknap said, "No army, no navy can move without food and supplies. Roads are as necessary to national defense as guns and ammunition. We need roads to the farms where the food is produced. We need roads to our defense forces can be transported wherever and whenever needed."

Mrs. Hahn in Nampa. Mr. and Mrs. Arch Parker and daughter were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Morrell Rayburn in Payette.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brewer and children of Wilder were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Brewer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Swigert and children of Fargo visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Prosser and family.

Mrs. Virgil Bishop, Mrs. Arch Parker, Mrs. Gerrit Muntjewerf, and Mrs. Vernon Parker visited Mrs. Henry Hatch and her new baby boy at the Brittingham home in Ontario.

B. G. Roberts and Dyre attended the Agricultural Lecture given by Carl Dietz of Parma at Adrian high school Monday evening.

Miss Virginia Miller, who attends Eastern Oregon College at La Grande, spent the week-end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Miller.

Miss Flora Prosser returned to Boise Sunday to resume her studies after a two weeks vacation owing to illness.

White Rose Seed POTATOES
Grown from McKay Seed
Small Seed
JAKE FISHER
PHONE NYSSA 05J1

The Ancestor of Today's "Family"



How Many Services of Cheap Electricity Do You Enjoy?

- Lights
- Iron
- Radio
- Vacuum Cleaner
- Dishwasher
- Electric Range
- Refrigerator
- Toaster
- Water Heater
- Clock
- Waffle Iron
- Coffee Maker
- Ironer
- Fans
- Stoker-Oil Burner
- Roaster
- Washer
- Garbage Disposal Unit
- Hotplate
- Grill
- Food Mixer
- Room Heater
- Heating Pad
- Sun Lamp
- Air Conditioner

GET ALL 3!
1. QUALITY

Your Furniture is something you live with 365 days of the year—it must reflect good taste—and quality means longer lasting.

2. THRIFT

Quality furniture needn't be expensive—yet it is like any other article you buy—you get what you pay for. Nordale's carry furniture that "fits" your pocket book.

3. EASY PAYMENTS

Don't use up all your ready cash if you need furniture—a whole house full or just one piece. We offer you any reasonable terms that you know you can meet easily.

GET ALL 3 AT Nordale's Furniture Store
Phone 94 NYSSA

Habits are hard to break, and many people still call their electric SERVICE BILL an "electric LIGHT bill" • It's not many years since an electric bill DID cover only lighting — and rates were nearly THREE TIMES what they are now • Today, the electric SERVICE bill covers a multitude of uses — and at a total cost not much more than for lighting alone a few years ago • Millions of dollars have been invested, more millions spent for maintenance — to provide you with electric service that is second to none in America.

IDAHO POWER
Electricity Does So MUCH—Costs So LITTLE!

BETTER WORK at Lower Prices
EXPERT JOB PRINTING

Skilled craftsmen can give you the best printing service. All our printers and designers are experts on jobs of all kinds. If you want the best for least—call us!

LETTER HEADS — ENVELOPES — MENUS
BILLHEADS—INVITATIONS—CIRCULARS
ANNOUNCEMENTS—PROGRAMS—CARDS

Telephone 19 For Our Representative

The NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL

MILK

the ENERGY FOOD for athletes, the business person and especially for CHILDREN.

ORDER YOUR MILK AND CREAM FROM SHELTON DAIRY MILK and CREAM

Phone 05J2

Ye Sn Col Things About

All winter the snuggled under covered sparsely with no sign of their crust suddenly with warm sunshine and the thousand wintered there about the matts making. They wive when with for-worse and through the field seemed to have. The thousands of ed from a long in the sunlight, cut busy looking for the season a half heartedly mostly they just quiet.

Already for willows along t been pinkening have tilted and rail, the wild c large flocks al river banks, th the business of pheasant cook build anew unc beavers are wat along the bank mud and snow in the east, sp Snake river va to this country.

And if it be er among us Golden Rule S display of spir colors planned spot on the ea

And a peak ter at Barney will prove it at boxes of fresh pinking up t lending its gre There are avai California. Su are this time

Many are established th if Dame Rum And many wil will be given crispy new a the furnishe None other w thrill of this. mansion wh difference 1 stretched till two must be al chairs. Th its lots of fr they really everything o payment pla

Pro

CAF

ATT

L. A. Phys

Hours: Dall

TOW

Meeting at 8 A. L. M Don Gr Th

N F. C Mee AT Visiti HA BER GAT

M

L