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## COGITATIONS and APHORISMS of Jodok

On Tuesday night of last week, I listened in on the County-wide, 4-H Accomplishment Program that was broadcast from the gymnasium of the Farwell High School, with our popular County Agricultural Agent, Garland Harper, as master of ceremonies. Mr. Harper surely did a good job at the microphone and his every word came through as clearly and distinctly as though he had been in the room with me. In fact, he did a much better job than any of the others who were at the "mike" during the program, although some of them held positions of considerable distinction.

Well, I suppose that is one of my "long suits," that of praising my home folk, whenever their actions or accomplishments deserve compliment, and it gives me great pleasure to hand this little compliment to Mr. Harper. He had planned a good program and he put it over in a manner deserving of praise.

I heard the name of boys from almost every section of our county, mentioned in connection with some outstanding accomplishment in 4-H club work, but never a one from Friona; and I have wondered why such should be the case. I know it was not from any degree of partiality on the part of Mr. Harper. I fur-

ther know it was not the fault of our own capable, willing and hard working vocational instructor in the Friona High School, Mr. T. J. Gee, who is an unusually competent instructor in his line. He works continuously at his job, attends to his own business and none else, and he takes a great pride in the accomplishments of the boys under him.

And I cannot believe it is because our Friona boys are not as intelligent, energetic and capable as the boys of the other communities of the county. But I still believe there is no effect without a cause, and therefore there must be a cause for there being no Friona 4-H club boys in the receiving line of these various awards. Can the cause be (I would regret it very much if it should be) that our lack of an active chamber of commerce with a wide-awake Agricultural Committee, is the cause for there being no Friona boys in the list of those receiving awards for outstanding agricultural accomplishments. However, Friona was represented on the program, as the music was furnished by the Friona High School Band, under the direction of Miss Clarice McCall.

Such a committee as I have just mentioned could be of invaluable service to our boys by aiding them and encouraging them to put forth greater efforts in their work. And then, I heard too, that night the names of business men and business concerns of Farwell and Bovina, and there may have been some even from Clovis, who made these awards possible, either as individuals or as groups of business men; but "narry" a name from Friona. Well, I am not blaming the Friona business people for taking no hand in this matter, but such things do give a city or community worth-while prestige, and such matters are usually considered to be a part of the business of a good chamber of commerce.

Then there is another matter that has been brought to my attention and that is that after this war is over, commerce by air will become one of the chief factors in carrying on the commerce of our nation, and the town or city that has no approved airport will find itself being passed by these great air carriers of freight and passengers, practically unnoticed.

I am informed that one of our progressive business men has already started plans toward the establishment of a government approved airport for Friona. It is no doubt true that such will be a big business venture primarily for his own individual financial welfare; but it will nevertheless become an asset for the city and the entire community and while he may be able to put the proposition over with his own efforts the backing, encouragement and aid of a wide-awake chamber of commerce or other similar organization, cannot but be of essential value to him in his effort.

Post war conditions will be

## TICKLERS by GAYES



"Here comes Muriel—with a civilian!"

upon us sooner or later, and I do not believe that anyone can anticipate what those conditions will be and thus be able to plan accurately to meet them; and any program, regardless of how carefully it may be planned, may prove to be all awry or amuck, and was totally useless for meeting that occasion. But each city or community will have its own individual problems to meet at that time; and each city or community, Friona among the rest, can at least have a suitable organization formed and in readiness to grapple with the situation when it arrives.

Charles W. Elliott (who was he?) once said: "There would be no perceptible influence on the morals of the race if Hell were quenched and Heaven burned."

I had never thought of it in that light, but with just a little thought on the subject, I believe he was right. The human race is a queer specimen of creation, and each individual creature of it, has more or less, his own moral views, and usually becomes wroth when his fellow man thinks him wrong and tries to impress his own moral views upon him, and if the morals of the race are ever changed it must come by way of the slow and tortuous method of example and education.

"Flower in the cranial wall, I pluck you out of the cranial wall, I hold you here, root and all, in my hand, Little flower— But if I could understand What you are, root and all, and all in all, I should know what God and man is." —Tennyson.

## SONS In the Service

A letter from Pvt. Ray Hurst to his mother, Mrs. C. R. Hurst. Somewhere in Italy.

Dear Mother: We have finally located, I hope, and for business too. I suppose you have wondered why you haven't received a letter from me for a while. I'm feeling fine and Italy appeals to me, much more than Africa. Of course there are some things bad in every country. I think we have gotten into the best outfit possible to get in. I have seen a few boys I know. Of course there are some more still to see. I hope the people back home realize what kind of a place they live in and none can compare with the U. S. A.

Yours, Ray.

Pfc. and Mrs. W. C. Williams, who have been here the past two weeks on furlough, favored the Star office with a most welcome visit last Tuesday afternoon. Pfc. Williams is in the Air Force, and is located at West Columbia, S. C. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Williams, of the Lazbuddy community, and Mrs. Williams is the former Miss Daphne Crow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Crow, of Lakeview.

Oble Sheets, Ralph Taylor, and Scott Kirkpatrick, who have been with the seabees up in Alaska and the Aleutians for the past year or more, came home last week for a two weeks leave. I had a little wordy encounter with Obie, but have not had an opportunity of talking with the other boys. —U. J.

Ensign and Mrs. Rex Johnston spent a part of this week here visiting Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Welch. Ensign Johnston has been stationed at San Diego, since entering the Navy, but is being temporarily transferred to Tucson, Ariz. Mrs. Johnston has been with him at San Diego and will accompany him to Tucson.

And we are fortunate again in being remembered by another of our good letter writers, Sgt. Raymond Jasper, with a "V"-Mail letter, from somewhere away over in Sardinia.

Uncle John: It has been quite sometime, since I have favored your office with a letter, but, "Faithful Me," I get around to it one time or another. I find quite a lot of pleasure in writing at times, and other times I couldn't write under any conditions. —So it seems anyhow. Of course, that is probably only my conception of the matter. Uncle John, I have been receiving copies of the Star right along, and every copy, even though it is sometimes quite late, seems like a letter from home. I will say again that I appreciate each and every copy of the Star, and each copy more than the last. I am quite sure every service man, who receives the Star enjoys it as much. Consequently I can write my thanks in behalf of other members of Uncle Sam's Service. I also want to add, in this letter, my thanks to the Women's Club and the Junior Women's Club, for their lovely Christmas cards. Those of which I received today, due to my excessive moving around. Again saying—"Thanks" to all of you, I remain.

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Sincerely, Raymond Jasper.

It has been a long time since we have had a letter from our friend Frank S. Truitt, but here he is with another of his interesting missives. Frank spent a year or more up in Alaska and the Aleutians, but has been transferred to another climate. He says it is hot there. Read his letter.—U. J.

Jan. 24, 1944.

Dear Uncle John: No doubt you are rather surprised to get a letter from me again. I am ashamed of the fact that I have waited so long to write, but you see, the way things have worked out lately, I have had very few chances to write, much less give a person an address to write to me. While I was in California I was transferred from my old Battalion, and was shifted around several times. At a time or two I made up my mind to write, then I would be put into some other outfit, so just gave up even trying to remember the right address myself. I am now in the 11th Battalion instead of the 12th. This is the Battalion that my good friends, Johnnie Banger and Olan White are in. I understand that Johnnie is back in the States now. Olan and I have spent several hours "shoot-ing the breeze" and I am sure you understand how glad I am to be in with someone from my home town. I cannot, of course, tell you very much about my present location, except to say that the weather is hot—yes—very hot. It seems that a person could just reach up and touch the sun, because it looks like it is right overhead. We have our camp right in a grove of coconut trees, and it is quite a sensation for a fellow from the Panhandle to look up and see thousands of coconuts hanging in the trees. I tell you what—I'll trade every last one of these

coconuts for one good West Texas sand storm. (Provided, of course, that I am there in West Texas while the sand storm is going on.) No kidding—I'd like very much to see a good sand storm. You know a person does not know how to appreciate that little town of Friona and the people in it until he is sent half way around the world. If I ever do get back (and to use one of "Old Tack's" phrases) "I'm never, never, going to leave again." Uncle John, I wish you would start sending the paper again to my new address. It seems that I have a more or less permanent assignment, and I will surely appreciate it if you will send me the Star.

As ever, Frank

The Star will start to Frank again with this issue.—U. J.

**4th WAR LOAN**  
Let's All Back the Attack

## Chorus Starts In Regular Program

Some 30 members of high school started working on chorus last week under the direction of Miss Clarice McCall. They meet three times every other week, and twice the other weeks, during the activity period. They are learning fast and will be ready to perform on programs soon. Commencement music will be finished by this group as well as their serving on others.

The student body and faculty are happy to get some music started in high school. Next year it is the desire to have regular music classes as well as the band.

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