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## Eight Tulsans Returned Home

Two army transports landing at New York during the past week brought home bodies of eight Tulsans, who died in the service of their country.

The transport Barney Kirschbaum, bringing bodies of war dead from Africa, brought five Tulsans back. The Tulsans and next of kin include:

Sgt. Ralph T. Clarke, army, Mrs. Charlotte L. Shook, 811 S. Boulder Ave.; S/Sgt. Lloyd S. Dickey, air force; Wilbur H. Dickey, 1448 S. Gary Ave.; Sgt. Everett D. Dilley, air force; Wash Dilley, Sperry; Pfc. Ellis Dobson, army; Mrs. Dora L. Dobson, 1525 N. Wheeling Ave.; Pfc. Richard K. Sullivan, army; Jesse J. Sullivan, 1339 East Twentieth St.

The Transport Albert M. Boe, brought three Tulsa area men back from military cemeteries on Iwo Jima, Siapan, Guam and Tinian. Tulsans and next of kin included:

Pfc. David C. Chainey, USMC; Ora Chainey, 715 S. Quaker Ave.; Pharmacist's mate 2/c James W. Robinson, navy, Howard R. Robinson, 1611 East First; Pfc. Jasper S. Loveall, army; Jasper M. Loveall, Sand Springs.

## Seaman Stewart on U.S.S Charles Sperry

Bobby D. Stewart, seaman recruit, USNR, brother of Mrs. Clarice M. Horn, 308½ S. Cincinnati Ave., Tulsa, has been assigned to the destroyer USS Charles S. Sperry. Stewart volunteered for active duty until next December, under the Naval Reserve volunteer program. The volunteers make it possible for the Sperry to complete annual float training cruises in the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean, and the South Atlantic for inactive and organized reservists.

## One Norvell Twin Ill at St. John's

One of the new twin sons of Comrade George Norvell has been very ill at St. John's Hospital, but Tuesday night was reported as a bit improved. The post joins in wishing him a speedy recovery.

## Guy Belford Holds Down Fort

Tuesday night's meeting found just about all the top Post officers absent—but ably substituting for three of them were Guy Belford, Jr., acting as commander; Georgette Mayo acting as chaplain; and H. K. Nelson in the role of Secretary. The meeting went off pretty smoothly and no snags developed.

The biggest run for lands in the history of the world was in the Cherokee Outlet in September, 1893.

## Chaplain Johnston Returned Home

Legionnaire C. M. Johnston, our chaplain for several years and for a long time an ardent and active Legion worker, has been returned from the Muskogee veterans hospital to his home, but his condition is still very grave, it was reported.

In ill health for several weeks, Comrade Johnston took a decided turn for the worse about a week or so ago, and was reported near death. It is asked that no visitors call on him until his health improves, as he needs all the rest and quiet he can get.

The entire post joins in wishing Comrade Johnston a fast recovery. We will never be able to repay him adequately for all his services to the post.

## Free Movies For All Disabled Veterans

Through joint efforts of the American Legion and the Griffith Theatre chain, disabled Tulsans, including children and veterans, will be admitted to any one of the three drive-in theaters in Tulsa free of charge, it was announced at the Tuesday night meeting of Carson-Wilson Post.

Legion workers were active in gaining this act of generosity for Tulsa County's handicapped persons. It was disclosed that any one who drives a disabled person to the theatre will also be admitted free of charge. Volunteers to drive handicapped persons to the theater were asked at the Tuesday meeting, and response was gratifying.

A motion was made and carried that the post draft a letter of thanks to the Griffith firm for their generosity and cooperation in this matter. Carrying of the motion was unanimous.

## J. B. Underwood Reported Ill

Comrade J. B. Underwood is reported seriously ill in a Tulsa hospital. Here's hoping him a fast recovery.

## All Quiet On the Entertainment Front

Legionnaire Pig Davis, head of the entertainment committee, said at the Tuesday night meeting he had no shows on tap! No report from the entertainment front, was the gist of the gibe.

## Initiation May 25th

Next Tuesday, May 25, is Initiation Night, and another formal ceremony of initiation will be presented. All new members who have not been through the ceremony are urged to attend the meeting.

## Berry Foundation Outstanding In Spastic Aid

Introduced at the Tuesday night meeting was a new member whom all will be glad to know, ex-Lieutenant Duane Bollenbach, a veteran air corps pilot in the European theater.

Bollenbach was wounded in action, while flying over Norway. He received shell fragments in the brain, resulting in a compound fracture of the skull. His plane managed to return to its base in England, where he was hospitalized and found to have partial paralysis. He was returned to the United States and admitted to an air force regional hospital in Denver, Colorado, in March, 1944. From there he was sent to Bushnell general hospital, and later to O'Reilly general hospital on March 6, 1945. From O'Reilly, he was brought here to the Berry Foundation where a "minor miracle" took place.

Bollenbach was victim of a "fear complex" and feared to try to walk. Through the help of Berry officials, he lost the complex and with the aid of braces, can now walk.

Welcome to our Post, Comrade, it is swell to have you with us.

## Ira L. Gasaway Killed In Accident

Ira L. Gasaway, Jr., 23, a W. II veteran of two and a half years in the Pacific theater, was killed Thursday, May 13, in an auto accident about eight miles south of Vinita on U. S. highway 66.

According to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, Gasaway's car struck a Model A Ford which had stopped on the highway and, swerving around it, struck another car head-on. Gasaway died about 45 minutes later in a Vinita hospital without regaining consciousness.

Gasaway, a former technical sergeant with the Sixth Combat Cargo Squadron, was an air corps radio technician, and flew hundreds of hours while based in the Dutch East Indies and the Philippine Islands. He was awarded the Air Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with two battle stars. He was a graduate of Daniel Webster high school.

Surviving Gasaway are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Gasaway of 1003 East Fifth Street, two brothers, Robert Lee and Donald Eugene, and a sister, Dorothy Jean, all of the home, and another sister, Mrs. Larry Poteete, Long Beach, California.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, at the Moore Funeral Home chapel, and interment was at Memorial Park Cemetery.

## BASEBALL The American Way

As the baseball season nears its half-way mark, the roars of millions of fans thunder over the fields. Vets may have plenty to crab about—there may even be war clouds on the way; but in the month of June the crack of ball against bat drowns out all our worries.

Baseball, the traditional American sport, first came into being one hundred and nine years ago in the sleepy and picturesque village of Cooperstown, New York, when a young schoolboy named Abner Doubleday laid out a ragged diamond in a vacant field. Nor was this young Doubleday's only claim to fame. To him fell the honor, years later, of firing the first shot at Ft. Sumter in reply to the Confederate batteries.

Cooperstown, the birthplace of baseball, was founded by the father of James Fenimore Cooper and became the setting for many of the latter's novels of pioneer days. Those rugged heroes, the "Leatherstockings" of our youthful reading, might well be considered the forerunners of the sturdy woolen-garbed players on our baseball diamonds today. These earlier sons of Cooperstown would beam approval, we are certain, at our current pioneers who are delivering baseball from the straitjacket of segregation. Surely, if the ancient Leatherstockings were now alive, they would judge as keenly the skill of a man at bat as they appraised the shooting skill of the man with musket or rifle.

Judging a man by accomplishments alone is a thriving plant in our tradition. And nowhere does individual merit gain swifter recognition than in the realm of sport. Here we are freest from the hobgoblins of racial myth and religious prejudice. We shed no tears for the alleged discomforts that Hitler suffered when Jesse Owens scored three triumphant victories in the Olympic Games at Berlin in 1936. Nor can we sorrow for those few bigots in our own midst who are seized with apoplexy at the sight of Jackie Robinson sliding to first base for the Dodgers.

It's our American right to be as eccentric as we like, rooting for Pittsburgh, though we live in Boston; even cheering for the Giants when our homeland is Brooklyn. But in our hearts we share a common understanding. It stands revealed during the hush of the ninth inning when a pitcher, no matter which his team, strains every sinew to deliver a no-run, no-hit game. We know it in every tangling nerve each time a batter, regardless of his name or color, or insignia on his shirt, lines out a sizzling double between third and short.

A moment later we may be agast at the fortunes of our favorite team. But the truer drama lies in that instant of impact when

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## Poppy Day A Big Success

Tulsans were "digging down" deeply and generously Thursday, and American Legion VFW Poppy Day, to buy the red flowers of sacrifice.

Legion and VFW workers reported sales much better than expected. About 400 volunteer workers thronged the downtown streets, the International Petroleum Exposition and outlying districts, to offer for sale the flowers of remembrance. At the time we went to press, no report was available on amount of poppies sold, but indications were that the sale would be the "best ever."

## President to Join 35th Div. for 22nd Annual Reunion

Omaha, Nebr.—Some 5,000 35th Division veterans, including President Truman, will be in Omaha June 4, 5 and 6, when former members of the units converge from all parts of the country for their 22nd annual reunion.

It was revealed that close to one thousand men from more than half the states in the nation have already said they will be in Omaha for the three-day meet. Reunion officials expect the total to mount sharply as veterans complete last-minute plans.

Adopting the slogan, "From Omaha Beach to Omaha," the reunion will bring together men who served with the 35th in both world wars, or with national guard units between wars.

Accompanying President Truman to Omaha, according to present plans, will be General Omar Bradley, Army Chief of Staff, in whose First Army the 35th Division served in the 1944 breakthrough at St. Lo, France. Other guests include Admiral William D. Leahy, Chief of Staff to the Joint Chiefs of Staff; the Ambassador of France, Henri Bonnet; the Ambassador of Belgium, Baron Silvercruys; Carl Gray, Jr., Administrator of Veterans Affairs and a host of former division commanders.

It was announced that the Belgian ambassador will present for his government to General B. B. Miltonberger, wartime commander of the 35th, the Order of Merit decoration. The award is in honor of the 35th's operations in freeing Belgium.

Reunion events include a huge parade, in which President Truman will march, unit reunions and dinners, a memorial service for the division's dead, a huge barbecue and other features.

Saturday, June 5 at 9 p. m., the President will make a nation-wide radio broadcast from Ak-Sar-Ben Field. It is expected the address will be one of his major talks of the year.

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**AUXILIARY NEWS**

MRS. H. E. GLASER  
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Mrs. Ray Brock, Pan Americanism chairman, presented a program of varied numbers at the regular meeting of the Auxiliary Tuesday night, May 18th at 8:00 p. m. The subject for special consideration this year is Argentina. Mrs. Brock gave a most instructive talk about Argentina and presented the following persons who entertained the members with Spanish music. Dick Cunningham, accordionist, a sophomore at Will Rogers, played several selections. Mrs. Glaser and daughter, Sara Louise, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. J. H. Milburn, sang the following solos and duets (the three were dressed in Spanish costumes): "La Golondrina", Serradell, duet, Mrs. Glaser, Sara Louise; "O Ya Ya", Alexandra de Markoff, Mrs. Glaser; "La Paloma", Yradiet, duet, Mrs. Glaser, Sara Louise; "Cuan-do Miro En Tus Ojos" (When I look In Your Eyes), Xavier Cugat, Sara Louise.

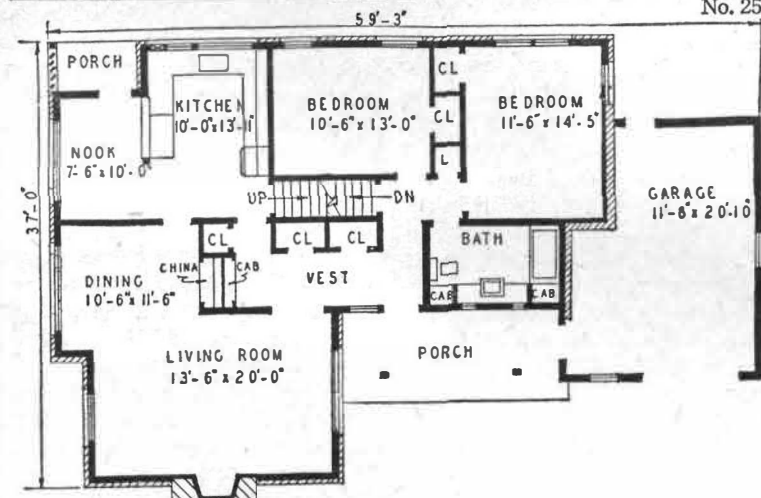
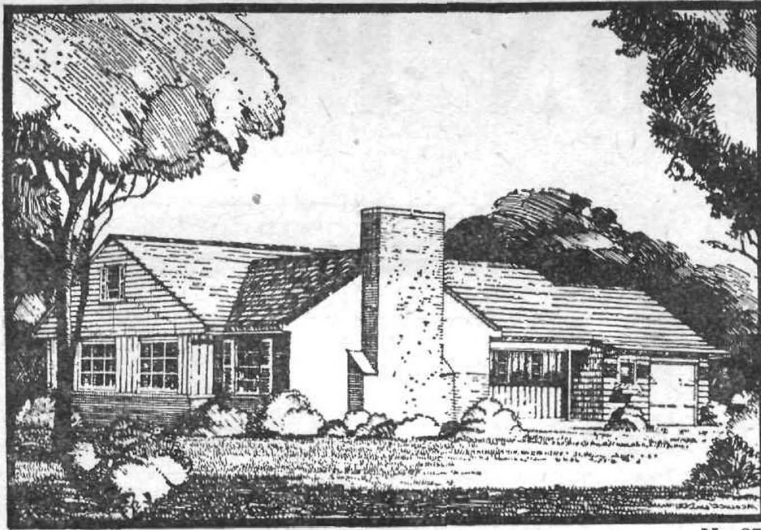
Auxiliary members voted at Tuesday night's meeting to buy a one thousand dollar security bond.

Mrs. Isabel Turner, general general bridge chairman, phone 9-3904—and Mrs. Ruth Brown, bridge telephone chairman, phone 2-9871, announce a dessert bridge for members and prospective members for Tuesday, May 25th, at 12:30. Reservations may be secured by calling Mrs. Turner or Mrs. Brown.

**BASEBALL—**

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bat meets ball—when the player meets the test. THIS is the real moment of judgment, the universal standard in sport that we may well apply in all other aspects of American life, in all endeavors. Race, creed, color—these are not important. What the player on life's field does, what he achieves is all that counts. Just as the pioneer of Leatherstocking days knew this well, so vets remember it today.

**HOME OF THE MONTH**



Open living, in rooms a little larger than in some of today's small homes, enhances this attractive dwelling. Further touches of coziness are the front and back porches sheltering both exits. Bedrooms are at rear, separated from living clamor by stair-well, closets and vestibule. Its bathroom is at the front of the house, achieving extra privacy by having all bedroom windows sheltered from the street.

Dining nook off the snugly built-in kitchen is ideal for breakfast and lunch, leaving the dining-living room uncluttered during the day. Ample storage convenience is found in three hall closets and built-in cabinets for china or linens, as well as the storage wall between bedrooms. The bath also features built-in cabinets and counter surrounding lavatory. Garage entrances are off the front porch and at rear of house.

PRACTICAL BUILDER Magazine, Chicago 3, featured this home designed by Roland Kurtz, 2001 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee, Wis.

**Employment Peak Expected by Summer**

Washington, D. C.—If the economy merely follows the normal seasonal pattern this spring, employment will reach a new peak exceeding last year's record of 60 million early this summer, according to a statement by Ewan Clague, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

An increase in the number of jobs and a downturn in unemployment occurred in March and early April, Clague said. This was primarily the result of the usual spring rise in economic activity combined with continued strong demand.

The various economic and defense measures recently adopted or proposed have as yet had no direct impact upon the demand for labor, Clague emphasized. However, he said, anticipation of their effect on the economy has tended to stimulate buying.

Both total employment and the number of employees in nonagricultural establishments this March were more than a million

above the previous year's comparable figures.

The labor involved in the basic expansion of employment which has occurred over the past year has come from two major sources—veterans and women, most of them with previous job experience. There are about a million more veterans in the labor force now than a year ago, and about 800,000 more women.

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A guest at the Tuesday meeting was Nevin Black, former commander of the Newkirk American Legion post. Black has moved to Tulsa, and will no doubt join up with us very soon. Welcome to our midst.

At last Tuesday's meeting, H. K. Nelson revealed that over 1,700 Poppy easel boards had been sold, and over 1,800 corsages sold by the Auxiliary women.

U. S. Commissioner of Immigration Watson B. Miller, a past national rehabilitation director of The American Legion, has been awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Law by Dickinson College at Carlisle, Pa.

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# FLOWERS FOR YOUR SOUL

By JIM BIGGERSTAFF

My thanks to Dr. C. E. Calhoun, Sand Springs, for the gift of some blue flax plants.

Peonies have finished blooming and the bearded iris will finish up this week. However, the bearded and spurias will follow. Day lilies are starting to bloom and will come in succession for the next three months.

My roses have made excellent growth, after being frozen back to the top of the mulch. I did not lose a single rose. The next crop of roses should be better. My single roses and polyanthas are fine. One disappointment is Goldilocks. It is a poor yellow. Dainty Bess leads the singles, although Cecil, yellow single, is about as good.

Beginning with hot weather in June mulch your roses heavily with straw, hay or peat moss to a depth of 4 to 6 inches. It will lessen your weeds and entail less watering. It is the answer to our hot summers. Mulching of dahlias and gladiolus is also recommended. I have a friend who

mulches all his vegetables and it is a success, especially with tomatoes.

Dust spray and pray is the order of the day for both vegetables and flowers. Roses should be sprayed or dusted once a week.

For moles I have found carbide crystals effective. Put a tablespoonful into the run and cover up. It is equally effective for crawdads.

You need not fear chiggers if you will put dusting sulphur on your arms and ankles before working in your garden. I have followed this practice for several years and it works.

If you want to learn about roses then plan to attend the meeting of the American Rose Society in Kansas City, Mo., May 27 to 30. It will be held at the Continental hotel in that city. It will also pay you to join the American Rose Society. It only costs \$3.50 per year and you get, in addition to membership the Annual rose book, in colors and the magazine of the Society issued every two months.

Dust your potatoes and egg

plant. Egg plants are very susceptible to insects. Use End-O-Pest or any good insecticide.

Make a second and a third planting of sweet corn. Golden Bantum hybrid I have found good; also Stowell's Evergreen.

The 1948 American Rose Annual, just issued, gives a lot of interesting information about roses. It alone is worth a membership in the Society. It gives the results of the national rose survey for 1947, reports from all 48 states and Canada.

Based on 739 reports received the 10 most widely grown roses are in this order: Etoile de Holland, Crimson Glory, Hoover, Talisman, Condessa, Sastoga, Christopher Stone, Mrs. Pierre S. DuPont, Radiance, Countess Vandall and Frau Karl Druschki.

Roses are rated with 10 the maximum. From 300 or more reports the following were the 10 highest: Crimson Glory, Pauls Scarlet Climber, Charlotte Armstrong, Etoile de Holland, Mme. Henri Guillot, Christopher Stone, Frau Karl Druschki, Dainty Bess, Eclipse and Poinsttia. About 20 others rated high.

Twenty others were rated on which at least 300 growers reported. Many new ones, which have been introduced in the last five years rated high, but as yet are not grown extensively. One grand rose rating at the top is the new rose Peace, which I consider the best rose of all. Get the Rose Annual if you want all the ratings.

Don't condemn a rose on its first year performance for you. Many do not do their best until

established the second year. Remember, too, that roses which do well in California or Alabama may not suit this climate; remember also that the type of soil has a lot to do with roses. As an instance Countess Vandall, a winner in many shows, does not do well for me. Maybe it is the climate, but I think more likely the type soil I have.

Send in your flower questions. I will be glad to have them.

## Week's Legion News In a Nut Shell

Chosen as the citizen who contributed most in a civic way to his community, Past National Vice-Commander Richard C. Cadwallader of Baton Rouge, La., has been named the 1948 recipient of the annual State Times-Morning Advocate Golden Deeds Award there.

Immediate Past Department Commander Frank H. Caton of Florida has been endorsed by his state convention as its candidate in Miami next October for national vice-commander of The American Legion.

Andrew Brady, editor of The Post Bugle, official publication of the Adirondack Post 70 at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., has become the 500th member of The American Legion Press Association for 1948.

The American Legion has chartered its 29th all-Indian Post in New Mexico as Taos Pueblo Post 113 with 16 charter members.

American Legion Post 1296 at New Brighton, N. Y., is using video shows at its club house

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Brookline, Mass., American Legion Post 11 and its Auxiliary have presented the community with a \$2,500 "iron lung".

Four members of the Auxiliary Unit of the Stanley Hill Post 38 of The American Legion at Lexington, Mass., were injured when a section of the ceiling fell on them while during a joint post-unit meeting.

Wheeling, W. Va., Post 1 of The American Legion has raised \$25,000 for the purchase of a permanent home for the blind of Ohio County.

The Los Angeles, Calif., County Council of The American Legion will put on two record Fourth of July fireworks shows this year, one on the night of the Fourth and the other on the following night to accommodate all the public demand for tickets.

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