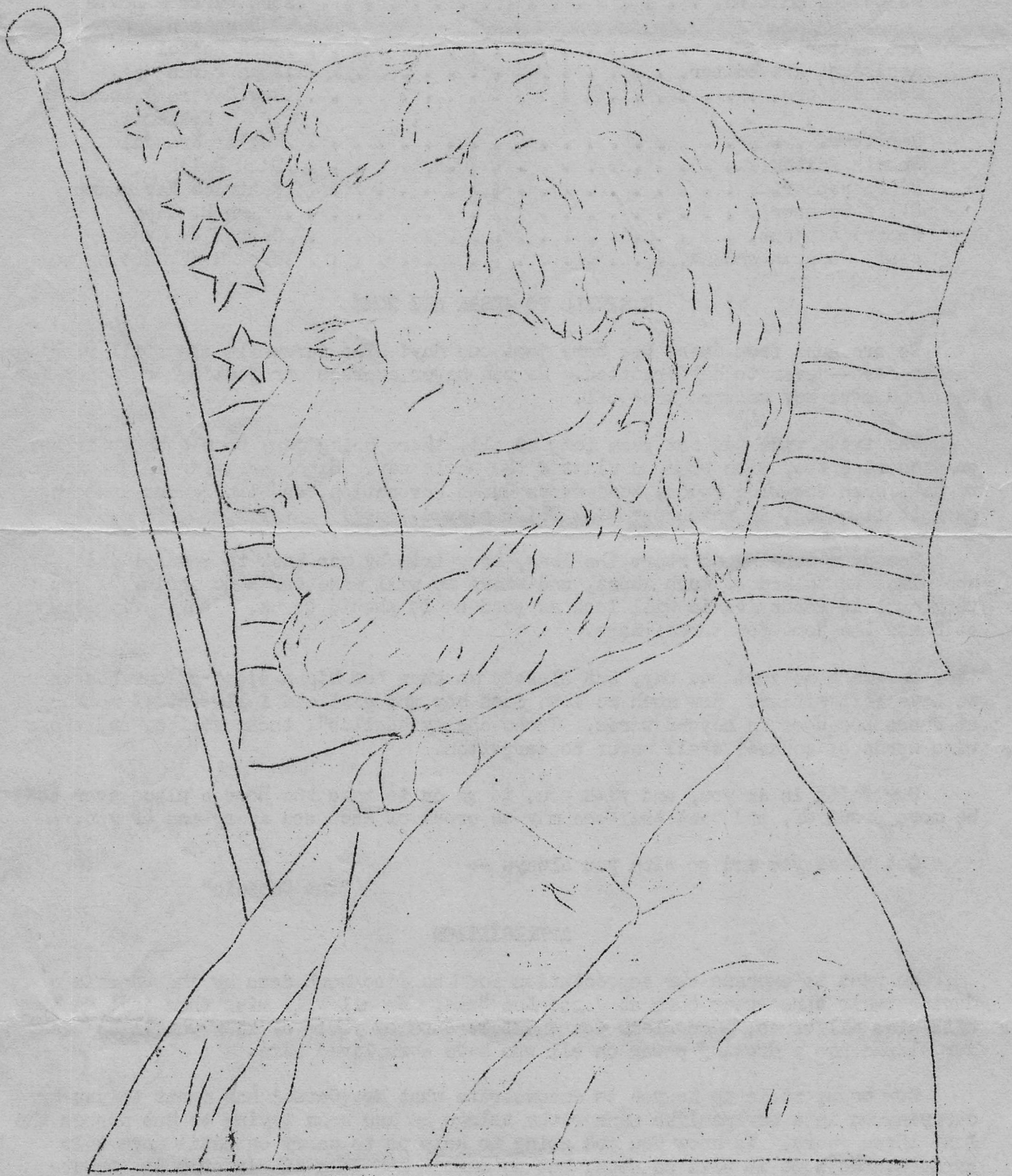


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FAREWELL TO JESSE LEE HOME

We are gone from Jesse Lee Home just one day! The farewells are still ringing in our ears--never to be forgotten. We can never express our feelings on paper for the wonderful way we were sent off.

The train ride did not seem long at all, there being many people on their way to Anchorage too, with whom we visited the whole way. Since arriving in Anchorage, we have seen dog-sled races, Rendezvous Queen Coronation, and two Seward-Anchorage basketball games, in which our Dick Deigh played.

Tomorrow morning we start the long, long trip by car back to Pennsylvania, the place we talked so much about, and where we will make our home again. I doubt very much if Pennsylvania will look as good as it should to us, after having lived at Jesse Lee Home for three years.

We are gone just one day, but already we know how big a piece of our hearts we have left behind. How much we love each boy and girl and fellow staff member at Jesse Lee Home is beyond words. Those cheery "Hellos", those smiles, and those wise words of counsel shall never be forgotten.

Our faith is in you, and with you, to go on to make the Home a place ever to be more proud of, and that the Home may be proud of each and every one of you.

God bless you and go with you always --

"The Cassels"

APPRECIATION

We want to express our appreciation for the fine work done by the Cassels during their three-year term at Jesse Lee Home. We all will miss them just as they will miss all of us. God Bless you and take care of you! We know you'll be back, for Alaska has a drawing power on all who have ever lived here.

Now boys, it is up to you to demonstrate what Mr. Cassel has meant to you by carrying on in a workmanlike manner the things he has been trying to put across the last three years. We know you are going to help us to carry on until more help arrives. We hope it will be soon, but no matter how long the interim is, we are depending on you and know you will not fail.

-- Mr. and Mrs. Geo. V. Green

"There is a gift called Friendship
That weaves a magic spell
And binds our hearts together
In ways no words can tell.
And like a beam of sunshine,
That comes from skies of blue,
We have found God's gift of Friendship
Deep in the heart of you."

DR. ROY L. SMITH'S VISIT

Friday night, February 17th, the Jesse Lee Home had the great privilege of having Dr. Roy L. Smith come to dinner. Dr. Smith, one of the greatest Methodist preachers, has given lectures all over Alaska, the United States, and foreign countries.

Dr. Smith said he came to Alaska for a vacation. He came in the winter time because he thought he would have more of an opportunity to see Alaskan beauty. Mr. and Mrs. Schuster brought him down to Seward from Anchorage. They also took him back in their plane.

He heard of Jesse Lee Home from Dr. Gordon Gould. Dr. Gould graduated from the Jesse Lee Home. Dr. Gould is the Superintendent of the Alaska Mission now. He is such a fine man that Dr. Smith thought the Jesse Lee Home must be a very fine place. Many years ago in his home church, Dr. Smith met Gordon Gould. When Gordon preached he spoke about the Jesse Lee Home. Dr. Smith said that the Jesse Lee Home is such a great place because the people in it make it a great place. We that live at Jesse Lee must all keep up the great work of the Home and God will bless all those who live in it.

Saturday night, February 18th, there was a dinner given for Dr. Roy L. Smith. After the dinner Dr. Smith gave a lecture. His talk was about the money problem going on in Great Britain and the American money. If you went to Turkey to buy something the clerk would rather take an American dollar than a British pound. You could go over more foreign countries with American money than you could with British pounds. He told us about some of the countries, such as Great Britain, France and Holland losing some of their possessions. The strongest nations of the world are Russia, United States, Switzerland and Scotland.

After dinner Rose Parks presented Dr. Smith with an ivory tie-clasp from the folks at Jesse Lee Home. Nellie Brandal, who is a niece of Gordon Gould, presented him with an ivory pin to take back to Mrs. Smith.

Sunday, February 19th, the Methodist Church had the great opportunity of having Dr. Roy L. Smith as a guest speaker. He told us the story of Jesus at Jacob's well. When Jesus asked a lady to draw water for Him, she said, "How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me a woman of Samaria?" Jesus told her that if she knew who it was that was asking a drink of her she would have asked and received a drink of living water from Him. She not understanding his answer, replied, "Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep." As Dr. Smith spoke, he showed us how unless we have something to draw with we do not appreciate all that there is in the deep well of life and God's world.

At 4:30 on Sunday, Dr. Smith talked on the radio Station KIBH. The main points of his talk were: I am--I think--I believe--I will--I hope--I ought. After his talk there, Mr. Irwin brought him out to Jesse Lee and he had supper with us. He talked to us again. I don't think we would ever get tired of listening to him.

Sunday evening at the church he spoke on Anchors of Faith. They are: (1) We live in God's universe; (2) God has a plan for His universe and that plan is personal; (3) God is continually working out His plan; (4) His plan will ultimately prevail.

-- Marianne Miller, 13.

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY

February 12th was Boy Scout Sunday. All the boys got their Boy Scout suits pressed ready to put on for church. About nine o'clock we got our suits put on. We went down to the church and had our regular Sunday School.

After Sunday School we had our church service. Bert Mayokok read the Scripture for us. When he was through Roy Devine gave an oration by Abraham Lincoln called "Self-Sufficient". Mrs. Wright had coached him. Everyone thought he did very well. After dinner we had our pictures taken in the dining room. The Girl Scouts were in uniform, too. We wore our uniforms all day.

Oh, after lunch Roy, Ronnie and I went to Moose Pass with Miss McGhee and Mrs. Inman and her daughter. Roy will tell you about it.

-- Walter Newman, 15.

BAYVIEW SCHOOL
HONOR ROLL
February 1950

First and Second Grades

Mary Jane Mayokok	John Giacometti	Fred Wemark
Bernice Pletnikoff	Anna Giacometti	Gladys Ashenfelter
Alex Giacometti	Elva Booth	Frank Newman
Edna Bahr	Herbert Butler	Bobby Bahr
Sherian Johnson	Sharon Hayter	

Honorable Mention

Because we are rather messy in our room we take a lot of cleaning up--and fortunately most of the children are very willing to do this. Some of those who have helped in this way this month are:

Gladys Ashenfelter	Sherian Johnson	Luby Correa
Robert Jensen	Edna Bahr	Mary Jane Mayokok
Ronnie Jensen	Bernice Pletnikoff	Carol Miller
Alex Giacometti	Leroy Ashenfelter	Febo Giacometti
Patty Newman	John Giacometti	Jerry Mahle
Martha Hawkins	Herbert Butler	Anna Giacometti
Evelyn Keough	Lola Sheldon	

I think our outstanding housekeeper is Gertrude Berntsen, as we noticed after her return that the primary table immediately began to take on a neater aspect.

Intermediate Room

Third Grade

Peter Devine
Junior Newman
Ralph Sheldon
George Bahr

Fourth Grade

Jacob Petaja
William Petaja
Matilda Wemark
Anne Miller

Fifth Grade

Christine Brandal
Ruth Watson
Donald Mahle

Upper Grades

(Only one "G" allowed)

Sixth Grade

David Hughes
Walter Newman

Seventh Grade

Clarence Mahle
Marie Devine

Eighth Grade

Louise Berntsen
Buddy Kohler
Leona Kohler

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Everyone knows there's a Sunday in every week. Well, at Jesse Lee Home we have our Youth Fellowship Sunday evening. We sing songs, play Bible Baseball and quiz games and sometimes we have guest speakers. Then they tell us about some of their experiences in life. Here is a program of one of our Sunday evening programs:

Call to Worship - - - - - John 3:16
Hymn 32 - - - - - When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Responsive Reading 118
Prayer
Story - - - - - The Gift
Hymn - - - - - Give of Your Best to the Master
Turn the meeting over to Mrs. Cassel

When we play Bible Baseball, it's very seldom the boys win, isn't it boys? Mr. and Mrs. Cassel are mostly our leaders in the Youth Fellowship. The boys and girls take turns in the first part of the service. Then if we have guests we turn the meeting over to Mrs. Cassel and she introduces our speaker or guest.

We always enjoy our service and get out of them what we can to make our lives better.

MY VALENTINE BIRTHDAY PARTY

The third, fourth and fifth graders had a party in the Intermediate Room February 14th. For refreshments we had cake and candy. Mrs. Borden, our teacher, bought two cakes all decorated with red candy hearts. We played Red Rover and some other games. Then Harry and I gave out the Valentines. For decorations we had candles and pictures of Valentines on the blackboard, and we all had a good time. You see, my birthday is on Valentine's Day.

-- Ronald Mahle, 13

THE POTLATCH

Seward put on the Kenai Peninsula Potlatch February 3rd, 4th and 5th. And people were invited from the neighboring towns--Kenai, Homer, Anchorage, Moose Pass and the homesteads along the Highway.

On Friday, the 3rd, in the Civic Center was the exhibition of hobbies and collections, like hand-made dolls, leathercraft, on which Jess Lee Home won a prize of \$10 credit at the Co-op, woodcraft, collections of stones, silverware and dishes and original paintings.

Then later they started the talent show which was made up of solos, toe dancing, baton twirling and guitar playing. The winners were given wonderful prizes like cameras, phonograph and records and cash.

The Alaska Railroad brought down their princess for the Fur Rendezvous at Anchorage. Soon after seeing Princess Aurora and her two helpers which were also good-look, or would you say "queen material" and the five men in uniform who carried the Princess in a "man-carried coach."

On Saturday night around 9:30, they started the Square Dance Contest. I'll tell you I was sure nervous since we were the first to start off. Then came other competition--two groups of young children, I mean young, too, I'd say around five years old, who did a swell job. Another group made up of older people called themselves the Prairie Schooners. They won first prize and the Jesse Lee group got second prize, a good pocket knife for each of the boys and \$1.25 credit each at Sylvia's Fountain Store for the girls. Mrs. Green bought us a hot dog and then we came home.

-- John Parks, 16

VALENTINE DAY IN B GIRLS DORM

VALENTINE DAY!!! What a day for a Party--And of course one must always prepare for a Party, and a good time.

Monday night we carried the table into the Matron's room and began our preparations for the party the following day. Each girl was given a sheet of red construction paper, some Valentine stickers, tissue paper and some paste and scissors. Some suggestions were given and a variety of ideas began to percolate in the minds of the girls as they pulled out of their thinking caps a number of original ideas for Valentines they planned making for their several friends. We all had a wonderful time. The evening passed too quickly. We decorated a box, cut the hole in the top, and then shuffled the names and each drew one to remember particularly so that none would be forgotten and thus the party spoiled for that child. Then we cleared away our clippings and debris and prepared for bed.

The following day was to be the climax of our fun at the party. A committee planned the games and fun and one the refreshments. After playing our games we opened the box and what fun we all had answering to our names as they were called. The refreshments followed and a good time was had by all the girls. One of the girls suggested we put them all back in the box and call our names again.

FAREWELL DINNER

On Thursday, February 23rd, at 1 o'clock after the children had gone to school and the younger ones settled for their nap, the Staff gathered in the dinette for a dinner honoring the Cassels. A delicious dinner had been cooked by Mrs. Inman and served hot. The long table looked very festive with its lace tablecloth and red candles. After the dinner the Staff presented the Cassels with a figure of an Eskimo returning with a seal carved out of ivory. Miss Gabriel took some colored slides of the Staff on the front steps.

THE LIBRARY

The library here at the Jesse Lee Home has been going now for about a month or so and we all like it very much.

Every week on Thursday, Miss Case and I do the library work. I check the books in when they are through reading them and Miss Case checks them out. Every week we get more books ready and put on the shelves, so that there are more and more books to read every week. I think there are about 300 or so that can be in use now and there are more which we will get ready by and by, I guess. We hope people will send us some more good books for our Library.

The books I like to read best are written by Zane Grey and most any other kind of Western books.

-- Buddy Kohler, 17.

THE TRIP TO MOOSE PASS

One Sunday afternoon Miss Bertha McGhee asked Mr. Cassel if a couple of boys could come along with her to Moose Pass. He said he would see if some boys would want to go. So he asked Walter Newman, Ronnie Mahle and I. We all said we would go.

So after dinner we got ready to go. Mrs. Inman and Jenny came along. Miss McGhee went to see some of her friends at Moose Pass. She said we could do what we wanted to do when we got out there. We went to the Estes Brothers Store and stayed there all afternoon. About 5 o'clock we went to the car and stayed there until it was time to go.

Miss McGhee, Mrs. Inman and Jenny came and we got started back home. We were glad because we had to wait for them. We got home about 9 o'clock, and we all said "Good Night" and went to bed.

-- Roy Devine, 16

AT THE HOSPITAL

We surely appreciate the good care we get at Jesse Lee Home. It was after school when Mr. Green took me down to the hospital. When we got down there, there were quite a few people, so I waited until my turn. Then I went into the doctor's office. I told him that I had a bump under my arm. He said it was from my infected chickenpox. I had to stay there for a few days. I stayed in Room 6. A few hours later I had to get shots.

When I was down there Miss Boyd and Miss Garrett came to see me. The nurses let me go up and see Grace Morgan, the girl who had a broken back. We played together. The day before I left I moved into another room. It was Room 4. A lady from Kenai stayed in there with me. She told me about some of the kids that used to be here. Mrs. Green brought me home after a week's stay.

-- Amelia Jensen, 10

A FREE SHOW

On January 15th Mr. Carlos Brownell who owns the theater in town invited the Home children to a free show. It was a Christmas story, which you most likely have seen, "Miracle on 34th Street" and which we all enjoyed very much.

On behalf of the children I want to thank him for his kindness to us. We have been pretty good customers to him for a long time now. Every Saturday the "high" merit boys and girls go to the show. It's a payoff we all look forward to.

-- John Parks, 16

LEATHER CLASS

On every Tuesday night from 7 to 8:30, we have Leather Class. It is for anyone who wants to come. Miss Bertha McGhee is teaching the class. All are doing good work.

One day we heard that in town they were going to have a Hobby Show, and each one was to bring his hobby and the one who has the best work would get a prize. So we got all the things we made in Leather Class and Miss McGhee got everything ready and sent them down. We won first prize in children's handicraft. The money the Home got was given to the leather class to buy some more tools for the class. We all have fun in Leather Class and want to thank Miss McGhee for having it.

-- Roy Devine, 16

MY PIANO LESSONS

I have been here in Jesse Lee Home for nearly three years now. I remember for about three or four months after I came here my girl friend and I used to always go down to the piano in the lounge. We used to try and pick out notes or little tunes on the piano. There were two girls taking lessons then from Mrs. Horton, who came out every Saturday to give them.

One day our matron called us into her room. We were kind of nervous when we went to her because we were wondering if we did anything wrong. She kinda lead up to the subject a little bit, then she said she was going to pay for our lessons. I was never so happy as I was then. I started January 30, 1948. Mrs. Horton said that I had a good beginning. Leona and I used to always try and compare lessons and see who was ahead. Mrs. Horton had recitals in which she gave prizes. Some prizes were for the number of hours you have practiced since the last recital, number of pieces memorized and other things. I got a prize for being the one who worked hardest on her lessons. I memorized quite a few recital pieces, but by now I don't think I remember any of them. There were "The Shepherd Boy," "Tales of Vienna," and "Softly and Tenderly."

Finally on September 30, 1949, Mrs. Horton asked me if I would like to take lessons from Mrs. Baker, who takes the more advanced pupils. I said I would like to. I'm now with Mrs. Baker. She is a very nice teacher, too. Right now we are getting ready for a recital in about two or three weeks. The pieces that I'm going to play are, "Little Old Garden," "Spanish Dance" and "Song of India." These are all very pretty pieces. Mrs. Baker has a very good taste for pretty pieces.

Just about three weeks ago Mrs. Green said something to me about taking organ lessons. The Irwins have been asking me when I'm to start. I haven't been high on the merit chart for quite a while. I decided to try very very hard to be high so I could start playing the Hammond Electric Organ. I was high this week and now I'm to take my first lesson sometime next week. This is me again saying "Hi" to everybody in the States and Alaska.

-- Lolita Havercamp, 15

WORKING IN THE KITCHEN

In the kitchen we have as our cook Mrs. Inman, a very good cook, too. There are four kitchen girls, each one having separate duties to do. There are four boys who get the potatoes and vegetables, etc. ready and clean to cook. My job is a kitchen girl. I mix the powdered milk, keep the pantry clean and help the cook.

It sure is a help in learning how to cook and bake. (One of the girls also makes and bakes our bread, which is always very good." We all have fun and are always happy (not counting when we burn or scorch something or put too much salt in the soup.) The girls all cooperate which is most important. All in all we all learn more and surely like to work in the kitchen and like our cook very much.

-- Esther Kalon, 15

MY JOB AT THE NURSES HOME

Every Saturday I go down to the Nurses Home to work. I usually go to work about 9 o'clock or maybe later. Sometimes I walk, and if someone is going down, then I get a ride down. But sometimes I can't walk because of the weather.

Well, the first thing I do when I go down is to get the basement all swept out and cleaned, then I go upstairs to the living room and vacuum the rugs and dust everything. Then I do the bathroom and kitchen. After I'm through with all that I'm through, and have done a good job, at least I think so. But when I tell Miss Murrell, who is Superintendent of Nurses, that I am through she checks up on me and sometimes finds I haven't done such a good job under the radiators or dusting the furniture. But then the next time I always try to do a better job. I like very much working for Miss Murrell. I get paid every month. This job trains me to be a better housekeeper.

-- Lilly Plotnikoff, 15.

Kenneth and Joe: Gee! That dentist sure is talkative.

Rose: He is, what does he say?

Kenneth and Joe: Spit.

BASKETBALL TRIP TO ANCHORAGE

I departed from Seward February 7th at 8:30 and was on my way up to Anchorage and Palmer on a basketball tour. We arrived in Anchorage at 1:15 and then went up to the high school gym. We got to use the gym for half an hour. After that we had to catch the bus for Palmer at 3:00. On the way up on the bus it was sure cold. My feet were almost frozen by the time we arrived in Palmer.

The second night we played our first game and it sure was a poor game for us. We only beat them by one point. The next night the ice cream plant invited all the Seward boys over to eat all the ice cream we could eat free before the game. I guess I made a pig out of myself and got a stomach ache and we had a game to play that night and we lost it by four points.

The next day we were on our way to Anchorage and it was sure nice to get out of Palmer. The day we arrived in Anchorage we played them that night and they beat us 31 to 22 and the second night we decided we were getting beaten too much; so we beat them 29 to 19, the lowest scoring game ever played in the Anchorage gym. We then rested one day and then played Fairbanks the next night and beat them 47 to 36. We had to play them again the next night and this meant for Western Alaskan Championship and so we really fought it out for tooth and nail. We beat them by one foul shot. The score stood 35 to 36. I, the lucky one, got to take the foul shot in the last 32 seconds. So I guess I was supposed to be the hero of the game, and the next day we were on our way back to Seward and I sure hated to go back to school.

Our team was selected to go down to Southeastern Alaska and play the champions around the middle of March.

-- Dick Deigh, 17

"JESSE LEE"

Jesse Lee, Jesse Lee, is the best place you can be!
When you come to Jesse Lee you can see what it means to me;
Lots of kids, lots of kids, and I mean nice kids too,
So Jesse Lee, Jesse Lee, is the best place you can be.

-- Christine Olga Brandal, 10

SCOUT PARTY AT THE SERVICE CLUB

The Girl Scout Committee, Mrs. Howell, Miss Gabriel and Mrs. Kirch gave a party for the Girl Scouts. Each girl was asked to invite a boy to the party. Each boy we asked came.

Our party was at the Service Club February 11th at 7:30 P.M. We started our party with square dances, schottisches and polkas. Afterwards we played some games for awhile, which Miss Leichliter directed. John Parks and I won a prize for a game we played. We each got a candied heart.

Mr. Kirch, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Miss Murrell and Miss Francis were also guests. We had a big fire in the fireplace. After our refreshments, which were jello salad, sandwiches, Kool Aid and candy, we roasted marshmallows. We thought it was a nice party and some of the committee said it was the nicest teen-age party they had ever attended.

-- Louise Berntsen, 14

GIRLS BASKETBALL

One night after school we went down to the High School Gym on the bus. We played a game with the seventh and eighth grades. Although they won the game, we had fun anyway. Miss Leichliter was the coach. Mr. Grounds was the referee.

Well, tonight March 2nd, we played another game. As usual we went down on the bus at 4 o'clock and played till 5 P.M. This time the Jesse Lee girls won the game. The score was 9 to 2. The girls were sure happy. We did it just for the Home. Mary Ann Salit was the referee.

-- Jane Hawkins, 14

What did the map say to the pointer? Don't point at me, it isn't polite.
What did the car say to the siren? You're a scream!
Why did the moron shoot at the clock? He wanted to kill time.
What did the rainbow say to the pot of gold? You had better hide, they're coming.

THE CHICKENPOX

First the boys started to break out with the chickenpox, then in a few days or a week the girls got them. In a couple of days a few more of the girls caught them.

Some were pretty bad in places. Some got infected in places on their body from scratching them. We are glad here that we are all over the chickenpox and all of them who had them are well now, and we hope for no more.

-- Anna Jensen, 11

RAILROAD HEALTH UNIT

For the last two weeks February 11-25th, there has been a mobile unit in Seward. The crew of this unit is made up of eight members--five men and three women.

Here in Seward they are doing only two things: First, they are taking X-Rays for T.B. and second, they are giving the sodium fluoride treatment for the teeth, which consists of three treatments.

The members of this unit visited the Home two different nights. The first night our guests were Dr. and Mrs. Witzel, Harvey E. Allen and William E. Durance. The other four came the next night. They were Allen C. Hodgkins, Bonnie Huebsch, Lucile Fox and Leatrice Hodgkins.

They are all certainly doing a wonderful job. They only travel by train in winter, but in the summer they travel up the Alcan Highway by truck and by boat to the Aleutian Islands and down the Yukon River.

We sorely enjoyed their visit and we all wish them "The Best of Luck."

-- Delores Spade, 13

SEWING CLASS

Well, sewing class has started again and we are all happy. Mrs. Panting offered to give up her time each Monday to come to instruct sewing class. We are very thankful to both Mrs. Panting and Mrs. Brewer. Mrs. Brewer has helped us with selecting our material. She lets us take our choice of the material we want.

We also give hearty thanks to Mrs. Green for giving us the privilege of having this sewing class. Also thanks to the people who sent in the material and all the things that make sewing possible.

Some of the girls are making dresses, skirts and blouses. Straight skirts have been getting popular around here.

-- Beatrice Havercamp, 13

BUTCHERING DAY

February 13th was butchering day at Jesse Lee. The people who helped Mr. Cassel were Mr. George Echols, John Parks, Louis Berntsen, Thomas Devine and I. It wasn't only staying out of school, but a lot of work.

After breakfast Mr. Cassel told us to go up and pick out three pigs we were going to kill after he came back from town. We went out to the barn and waited. Then we came back to the kitchen and while we were waiting for him, we had to peel carrots and potatoes. In a little while we went out to the barn again and killed three pigs. We took them down to the basement where we cleaned them and butchered them.

At noon we had the three pigs all cleaned and butchered ready to take to the cold storage. After lunch we went up and killed four more pigs which took us till supper to clean and butcher.

After we hauled them down to where we cleaned them, we unloaded them off the truck. It took us till supper to clean and butcher them. After we were finished we cleaned the basement up and got ready for supper. We had supper and that was all we had to do that hard working day.

-- Walter Newman, 15

HOME-TIES

News of those to whom Jesse Lee has been "Home" in other years.
(Please send news for this column to Bertha McGhee).

Alice Vanderpool Acheff has moved into her new home in McGrath, she writes Mrs. McGhee.

Charles Tharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Tharp, former Jesse Lee staff members, is getting his Master's degree in March. He and his wife plan to come to Jesse Lee to join the staff for the summer.

Irene Ivey writes that she is lonesome for her friends at Jesse Lee.

Gladys Miller writes from Mt. Edgecumbe that she would like to come back to Jesse Lee.

Beatrice Sandstrom is at a hospital in Portland, Oregon studying to be a medical technician. Her address is 3333 S.W. 10th Street, Portland, Oregon.

Katherine Devine was married to Michael Galovin at Sand Point, February 12, 1950.

Peter and Annie Hatch returned to Seward from their first trip Outside. A new granddaughter, Carol Ann, born to Ralph and Ann Hatch at the Seward General Hospital January 30, 1950 welcomed them on their return.

NEWS

On January 15th, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Charles Dickey, Mrs. Charles Lechnier, Mr. and Mrs. Park Smith, and Charles Lechner, Jr. had Sunday dinner with us. Mrs. Lechner was in Seward when the Jesse Lee Home was first opened. She told us about the children and how the women of the church helped in sewing the curtains, drapes and many other things.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Grounds and family were out for dinner on the 20th. Mr. Grounds is the eighth grade teacher in the Seward Public School.

Mr. Harold Winans has been out to Jesse Lee a number of times. He has been doing some painting in the entrance to the Girls Building.

Miss Louise Robison of Bethel came for a visit to Jesse Lee. She told us about her work at the Bethel Hospital. She was in training with Miss Murrell.

Dr. and Mrs. Roger Witzel, Harvey Allen, William Durance of the Railroad Unit of the Alaska Department of Health were our guests on February 16th. They told us something about the towns and villages they have been in and their work.

Mr. and Mrs. O.F. Jurgeleit were also here on February 16th. Mrs. Jurgeleit is the new Public Health Nurse. She transferred from Haines, Alaska. She showed a film to the girls and Mr. Jurgeleit ran the projector.

Dr. Roy L. Smith of Chicago was our guest the 17th. He took many pictures of the children in the dining room.

Also on the 17th Dr. and Mrs. Allen C. Hodgkins, Bonnie Huebsch, and Lucile Fox of the Railroad Unit were here for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gadberry of Anchorage Methodist Church were our guests on the 20th.

On February 22nd Keturah Foulkes and Ana Maria Echavé of the Seward Sanatorium were dinner guests. Mrs. Foulkes is the Social Worker at the San and Miss Echavé is from the Methodist Hospital at Chihuahua, Mexico.

On February 24th Suzanne Hayward and Ruth Cooper of the Seward Sanatorium were here to take moving pictures.

Frank Sheldon of Nome flew down to visit his brothers and sister, Ralph, Lola and Jacob. Frank played on the Nome Basketball Team at the Fur Rendezvous in Anchorage.

Newcomers to Jesse Lee Home are Billy and Connie Nuipok from Nome; Marida Martin of Middleton Island; Marianne, Anne, Carol and Judy Miller from Ketchikan; David Keough, Evelyn's little brother; and Matilda's little sister, Ann, who has just been discharged from the San. We all hope that these children will enjoy Jesse Lee Home as much as the Staff and the other children do.

Vernon and Gloria Carlson left via Alaska Airlines for their home in Nome on February 24th.

Grace Morgan is a patient at the Seward General Hospital. We always run in on our day off to see her cheery face.

PRE-EASTER CLASS

Every Monday night Rev. Paul Irwin comes out for dinner. After dinner he leads us in a few songs and choruses. When the kitchen work is done he conducts a class in the chapel in Preparation for Church Membership for those who plan to join the church Easter Sunday.