SECOND THOUGHTS By javie aiche

I was about to tell you the story of Tim Williams when Archie Learch came in. The puff of his chest, his stout stride, the fire of zeal in his eves. all made clear that Archie was a man with a mission. So I put away the letter from Tim Williams, of whom it will be sufficient for the time being to say that, since leaving Laurel Run Borough and going to New York, he

has become president of Williams Associates with nation-wide trafficking in the modern essentials to journalistic speed-up, on the mechanical side, of course. Tim Williams was on the night trick for me back in 1915 when I had a publishing operation moving out of Mutler Alley, in Wilkes-Barre, All else that matters at the present is that he said maturity begins. The formation of he read two stories about me in the sexual characters is induced by the September 2 and 11 issues of Edi- internal secretion of the reproductor & Publisher, and I wish to thank tive or the endocrine glands. The

whomsoever was responsible for thyroid gland increases in activity them. I didn't see them and have no shortly before puberty, and there is idea of what they contained, good a period of growth in stature and or bad. Anyhow, to somebody, increase in weight. An inter-action thanks.

department?" Archie Learch asked physical and mental awkwardness me.

The mimeograph department of, especially in girls, as the "awkwasn't busy at all, but I hedged a ward age". bit.

"Why?" I asked Archie.

every editor in this country," said the permanent traits which consti-Archie Learch. "There's a matter tute individuality begin to find that should be called to attention, definite expression. Boys and girls not for editors alone but for the tend to discover a will of their own, good of every man who gets his hair and to show a strong desire for incut.'

casionally, some of them even hood. regularly. What's that got to do with addressing a leter to all the editors?"

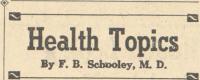
"I want to put a stop to a prac-"I'm a little late in getting started, too. Before I realized what it meant I let Ben Cook shave my ears.'

"Ben's a very good barber, but he only clips the hair on the lobes of my ears," I told Archie." "Yes, and what happens?" Archie general bodily health.

was becoming fiery in mood. "You discover that with even one clip- are closely connected with the abuse ping or shaving of the ears the hairs bristles, but I didn't realize until now what causes them. For the first time, today, Ben Cook shaved the hairs on my ear lobes."

"Well, it's a common practice; why bother about it?" I asked Archie.

"Do the men and boys realize what this practice will bring straint and to enjoy emotions. Judgabout?" Look, said Archie, "if this ment is diminished, self-confidence since the first American soldier thing goes on we are going to have is exalted, and the fine sensibili- landed on the island, which was a race of hairy-eared men in this ties become dulled. Alcohol is the some time ago. Most all of the nacountry. Each clipping or shaving main battress of prostitution and tives are Christians for there are of ear hairs will cause them to grow criminality. stronger. After a while the barbers will have us looking like a new ver- grow hair in over-abundance, but English and read the Holy Bible sion of the missing link. It ought to that can be helped very much. A and many natives ask you if you be stopped right now. I propose to shave and a hair-cut will take care will give them a Bible. There is a have every newspaper in this coun- of the surplus. Now, even if you native boy who works around our try print a letter to that effect, to don't believe it, it is possible to warn men and boys against barbers. convert downy hair into a bristle If they do not permit the first clip- toughness by regularly clipping or ping or shaving of the ear hairs shaving it, and it is this downy hair there will be no need of a second on the lobes of men's ears that baroperation," said Archie. " I want bers are training into a nuisance to act right now. Lend me your growth. I suspect that having raised mimeograph, will you?" As this is being written, Archie is they look forward to adding another busy on the stencil typewriter, quarter for looking after the ears. punctiliously punching out his letter I think men and boys should be to the editors, wholly enwrapped in warned. I appeal to you to let men the emotions of the gigantic reform and boys know this: If you don't he is going to bring about in the permit the ear hairs to be shaved practice of barbers who give mere- or clipped the first time, you'll never tricious over-attentiveness to the need the service a second time. If hairs that grow on men's ears. you submit to the treatment, then Archie figures that we can devote your ears will grow hair until you twenty-five dollars of postage will come to look as though you are stamps to his evangelism and reach always wearing muffs. Yours in op-832 of the country's editorial rooms, position to tonsorial trespasswith 2 stamps left over for letters ARCHIE LEARCH."



Puberty Puberty is the age when sexual occurs between the thyroid and the

"How busy is your mimeograph other endocrine glands. A general takes place, the period being spoken

Puberty is a critical age, tasking to the utmost the capacity of par-"I'd like to get a letter out to ents and teachers. It is now that

dependence, often accompanied by ""Tell me about it," I suggested. a change of sentiment towards oth-"You may not believe it on the tes- ers and a change of attitude totimony of my shining plate, but I wards daily duties and the obligaget a hair-cut. I even take my hat tions of school and home life. Firmoff while getting it, although it is an ness and understanding must be exunnecessary concession to the op- ercised in such a way as to make eration. The fact, Archie, is that the period of transition as easy as see some very interesting things practically every man and boy in possible for those who have not yet America submits to a hair-cut oc- completely outgrown their child-

The endocrine glands have a powerful influence upon the mind and body of human beings. A remarkable transformation occurs in the tice of the barbers," said Archie. physical, emotional and mental life during puberty. Life acquires a new is not a veiling or concealment of sex, but sane and unprejudiced edu-

> cation concerning the problems of sex and their importance to the

> Sexual misdemeanors of all kinds of alcohol. Small quantities of in-

mental functions. Overindulgence in body in the crowd.

Before the war there were quite a hair-cuts from 25 cents to a dollar

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THE OUTPOST

Where those at home and the men and women in the armed services from the Back Mountain Region-in camps and on the fighting fronts-keep contact with their fellows throughout the world.

F/O Glenn Loveland,

From An Old Friend

tion the planes. They are in excel-

lent condition and there are enough

Now that I've given you my con-

it and I've found many boys here

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Somewhere in North Africa

N.F.S.

September 16, 1943

few minutes before she recognized of them usually say, "here comes Dear Howard: Just a few more lines to let you know that I am still receiving the ning we had. Post and very happy. Everything is

going fine over here. Wash Machine Charlie comes over and throws a good scare into us for he lets go could only speak a little French. his bombs anywhere. He is a very poor shot when he gets a target.

and I'm still sweating it out, The only part is that you think a million different things when you hear his bombs coming down so nice and sweet. Your best friend at a P. S. The F/O stands for Flight time like that is your fox hole and,

Officer. of course, when two men go for one fox hole, the man on the bottom . And the N. F. S. stands for Night Fighter Squadron. Before entakes a good beating. Well, Howard, I like this island I tering service, Glenn was an elec-

place is bare. Nothing here but birds old friend Ethel Bertram, both of and he agrees that Lakeland is just and natives, but we hope to see them in the Class of '40 at K.T.H.S., more and nicer and better islands was a switch board operator. Ethel's in the near future. We have not with the WACS. Swell to hear from seen civilization now for ten months you, Glenn.-Editor.

and that sure is one heck of a long time. On top of that, I haven't seen home since October 12, 1940, and that's another long time. But as

long as this war carries on and I am Dear Editor: Another move, another camp, alive and capable of carrying on, I am going to be in it. I have been in and keeping in mind the compliit since December 7, 1941, and I ments I've paid my other stops hope to be in it when it ends-at (not including Nashville), I will say none were as beautiful as this one. least, I hope I am that lucky. The surroudings are just as you So far, I have enjoyed myself

all the time on this island, for you would want them. Just imagine, a primary school on a lake shore surrounded on the othwhen you get out and around. One thing is the native people and the er two sides with orange groves and long rows of grapefruit trees. Now way they live. Their villages are to complete the picture add a something worth seeing and you can town of approximately 40,000 people trade with them. They'll give you almost anything for a pipe or a and very nice hotels and theatres. Oh, yes, I must not forget to men-

knife. I was in one village and saw everything there was. Here are some and deeper meaning. What we need of the things I saw: One native woman, with a baby that could not have been over two weeks old and ception of this wonderful camp, I she had no clothes on it, was smok- want to express my appreciation for ing a nice new pipe and enjoying it the Post. I really do enjoy reading very much.

In another hut we were talking who enjoy the items that are in it. to a native man whose wife was They ask such questions as: "What there with him. There was a baby sort of a guy is this editor that begin to get lusty and grow faster. toxicants, especially in persons who girl in the hut he claimed to be only I've seen them as stiff as pig are sensitive to its influence, will four months old and she was runblunt moral restraint. It will lead ning around better than any twothe individual to forget or under- year-old baby back home. She was estimate the dangers of venereal having quite a time with a little infection. The stimulant effect of al- pig that was running around in the cohol is due to a removal of inhibi- hut. One old lady was making some tion and a restraint of the higher kind of beads and laughing at some-

youth is an endeavor to cast off re-with us all and have been ever a few missionaries on the island.

me. I hope, through the Post, I can Garrity's Locator", taking into conthank her for the enjoyable eve- sideration the Contact for Servicemen. So I explained to them the I visited Algiers several times setup and all they can say is, "Boy, since I have been here and found that editor sure is doing his share in it a very interesting city. Boy, if I keeping up morale." I usually add a

few words in that line, but as the I made my first flight last night boys say here, "Not too much Browning, soldier". So I will stop here and leave you with my new address.

> Sincerely, A/C Thomas P. Garrity, 60th F. T. D. Lodwich School of Aero, Lakeland, Florida.

• Sgt. Larry Yeager, Venice, Floram on, but not like Oahu, for this trician at the Boston Store and his ida, was in to see us the other day, about perfect. Also your picture post card confirmed it. Larry spent a lot of time hanging around the Ration Board. I'll just have to ask Anna May what it was he wanted that is rationed.-Editor

He's A Combat Engineer

October 5, 1943 Dear Editor: I have received the Post here in the desert and I also received it in Tennessee on maneuvers, so I thought I had better notify you about the change in address. It sure is swell to pick up a paper from the home town and see what is going

I've read in your Outpost where fellows say it is hot in many different parts of the states. Well, they should just take a shoot at this desert. Yesterday we took a nine-mile hike and they wouldn't give us any water until we had finished the hike. Well, I guess that's why they call us Combat Engineers. We hike like the Infantry, but when it comes to building bridges we sort of out point them there.

I would like the Post sent to my correct address.

Pvt. Chet Dropchinski, c/o Postmaster. Los Angels, California. P. S. The scenery is beautiful-

sand and more sand.

• Chet, where is Tommy? Haven't for me. heard from him for months. Is he was turned down by the army because of deafness. Tell Tommy to write. It was swell to hear from you. Mr. Snyder's Clark Summit team for the free Post. trounced Dallas Township last Saturday.—Editor.

He's Right-We're Wrong

Dear Mr. Risley:

more than welcoming it. Of course,

kindly get me in touch with him.

ward to another Post, I remain

Fort Eustis, Va.

· Gosh, I'm sorry. The birthday

was yours, but somewhere between

my list and the paper the name got

mixed up. It won't happen again.

Belated birthday greetings to you.

• • Our good friend Martha was

probably a little nervous that day.

Three handsome soldiers dropped

Easy Does It

Here is the Free Posts for Sol-

diers' coupon that you asked me to

fill out twice. In case you can't read

what is written on it, I will rewrite

I seem to have missed a few

copies of the Post. I was very glad

to get it today though. I don't think

there is a better paper being sent

free to the fellows in the service.

I think I am speaking for all the fel-

lows in the service when I say that

and also when I say thanks again.

We are still kept very busy here in

college. I get a chance to write

once in a while. When I write again

it will probably be to tell you I have

changed my address again, or rath-

-Editor.

October 4, 1943

in to see her at the same time.

Your friends.

So, closing now and looking for-

Pvt. Elmer Wyant,

stop coming.

-Martha.

Dear Martha:

it in my letter.

cius.

a few minutes left.

Sincerely,

321 C. T. D.,

Carl J. Dykman.

Bowling Green, Ky.

THE SENTIMENTAL SIDE By EDITH BLEZ

Do you ever stop to think how much you will remember about all the things that happened while we were at war? Will you ever forget our dear old points-God bless them! Will you ever forget the women who went to the store determined they would get a roast at any cost and when the butcher asked for the points, they just looked worried and said they didn't

THE LOW DOWN

HICKORY GROVE

I been on a little trip on

the railroad—had to go.

Waited until after Labor

Day, but it was still

crowded. Lots and lots of

women. Couldn't quite

understand it. If you just

want to travel around be-

cause money is jingling in

your jeans-and no other

good reason-you are not

shootin' square with the

railroads, or the Navy,

and Army, and Marines.

They gotta go-but it is

On the dining car I was

sure surprised. They had

not boosted prices. There

was less variety, maybe,

but plenty. Even straw-

berries. And coffee-pard-

ner, my Susie don't make

it much better. Don't go

around pouncin' on the

railroads and saying they

need to be taken over and

run by the Government.

She looks to me like they

are doing a skookum job

and should have 3 cheers

I will tell you of the wait-

er on the dining car. He

musta been a gold-star

boy-he was an old timer.

I said to him, "You make

your job look easy." Think

first and save steps, he

says, and you will live

longer-also, he says, you

won't wear out your

shoes. A colored Confu-

Yours with the low down,

-JO SERRA.

And before signing off,

-so I give 'em same.

not a pleasure trip.

have that many! Women in 1943 have learned to count all over again. Women, who for years have insisted that they knew little or nothing about mathematics, have learned to count and correctly or they have gone without food.

Ten years from now, will you have forgotten how precious butter was in 1943? It sems almost impossible that we could forget what we went through to get a quarter pound of butter. I suppose there will be many women who would rather forget how they went from store to store getting more than their rightful share of butter. I sincerely hope their consciences keep them awake at night! We have learned how good butter really is, haven't we? Several years ago we didn't have to look at our share of butter and wonder if it would possibly do for the evening meal, for the vegetables we had planed to serve and for the morning toast. We didn't have to figure butter by inches. Now we look on butter as something very very precious. Will you remember how you suspected your best friends of using the black market when they served butter in more than the usual quantity?

Will you ever forget how utterly beautiful a leg of lamb or a roast of beef looked in the butcher's case? Will you ever forget that the butcher always said the same thing when you asked for beef or lamb? "No, we didn't get any this week, but we have ham." We all try to be patriotic and most of us wouldn't take what rightfully belongs to someone else, but there have been times in 1943 when we could have cheerfully murdered the butcher and not been sorry.

After this war is ended will we forget how we made our shoes last? Will we remember that we shopped and shopped and shopped to get shoes that would last a long time because we only had one ration point and we couldn't waste its value?

Then years from now when the roads are black with fast moving automobiles will you remember how er, had the government change it we complaned because we couldn't get enough gas to go places? Will

I am using my one and only study you remember the black markets still boxing? Mr. Snyder told me he period to write this so I'll say so and how we suspected everybody long for a while because I have only else of using them? Will you remember how precious gas stamps And again, thank you very much were and what a tragedy it was if

we lost one? Will you remember how much we walked and how we worried if our shoes would last? Will you remember how difficult it was to get work done at the shoe-

kept right on calling. They never

arrived because there weren't any

workmen. They were all at war or

Will you remember all the boys

· Carl, now that you're "on the maker's and how long it took to get beam" how about joining the Script any kind of work done? Will you Kindly note my slight change of Club, too. I know one blue-eyed, ever foregt how you called and

in the shipyards!

to her. She turned and stared for a everyone writes to him?" and a few

in the two-cent zone. He is quite I interrupted Archie to copy his welcome to the facilities of the memorandum and to give me chance mimeograph room. to make him acquainted with Tom

And why not? Isn't it a health- Davenport. Tom is wrothy over the ful commentary on the soundness careless operation of fast trains. of America that Archie Learch, pre- And he is embroiled by orders to cariously poised between Congress his uncle, Charles Dunlop, of Pawand the Draft and waiting for one nee. The Dunlop farm has been oror the other to tilt him toward his | dered to increase its plantings for future, can have left an all-encom- next year, whereas in the better passing enthusiasm for saving men pre-war days the Dunlop income from becoming hairy-eared as the was enriched by \$35,000 for plowsimian? Archie is sound as a new ing under corn and not raising pigs. silver dollar, prime for service; the Uncle Charles of Pawnee, stands sixquestion of whether he should con- foot-four and weighs 456 pounds. tinue civil life or enter the mili- He's seventy-four years old. His tary he is glad to leave to the pon- wife, 66, is the Dunlop farm comderous thinking of the war-makers. missary, feeding sixteen lusty hired I would have supposed that with hands three times a day. three young children, very young "My Uncle Charley will have to

children, he might have waited un- plant heavy," said Davenport. "It's til the war sopped up the dodgers going to be a lot of work. And what Dear Sirs: on the federal payrolls.

fail to touch in at Dallas; well, Mr. loads." Editor, I will append a copy of the I walked back to my New York traveling by myself. Here it is:

That can't be helped. Other men dent. I'm sure he would.

camp cutting bamboo who can speak really good English. He can read a Bible very well and also sing many church songs by heart. I gave him some Upper Room books that I had been saving and he read different verses out of them. I was surprised, for he read them very well, and thanked me for the books. They're very polite that way. You give them anything and they always thank you for it. They will not take anything that does not belong to them. They will ask you for it instead.

I know that a good many of you people at home would love to see just what we boys are seeing and I only wish you could, for it is very interesting and worthwhile. Before we get back we will see still more interesting sights and the most interesting of all is going to be when

we get back there to the ones who have missed us so and loved us so. It is no fun being away for two or three years. I know, I have already experienced it.

In closing this letter I wish to say "hello" to you back there and I wish you all the best of luck and good health. You all back there are doing a very good job, and I know

> Pfc. Gilbert F. Huey, Somewhere in South

Meets Old Friend

September 19, 1943

do you know about labor demand-Just a few lines enclosing my ad-If it should be that Archie's mail ing more wages? They'll simply eat dress. I have been here only a few crusade for ears inviolate to the more and crowd more trains that days and so far it isn't so bad. barber's razor and clippers should go too fast now to try to carry their I had a long trip over here, flying

all the way. It was rather lonesome rough-draft of the Learch letter. Times whose editorial page suggests Just before I left the States, I

that with "Union Now" between the visited Daytona Beach and was I "To The Editor: Men become bald, United States and Britain, Winston surprised to see an old friend of from worry or functional causes. Churchill would make a good presi- mine, Ethel Bertram. She was walking down the boardwalk and I called Entered as second-class matter at the post office at Dalhas, Pa., under the Act of March 3, 1879. Subscrip-tion rates: \$2.50 a year; \$1.50 six months. No subscriptions accepted for less than six months. Out-of-state subscriptions: \$3.60 a year; \$2.00 six months or less. Back issues, more than one week old, 10c each.

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address. It isn't much-in fact, it is redhead in particular, who would called the plumber or the heater only a difference of 150 feet, but like to write to someone like you. man or any workman and how you still it might keep me from getting How about it?-Martha. the Post. Believe me when I say that if everyone looks forward to the Post like I do, they are really

September 26, 1943. Dear Mr. Risley:

At last my address is complete, in uniform? Will you remember my girl friend's mail comes first. Enclosed you'll find one of those so I have filled out the "Free Posts what a stir they created when they blanks, as I never did send any in for Soldiers" blank. Now you can came home on furlough? Will you

attention to is the birthday of a Whitesell's names. They are in Joseph S. Wyant on September Australia I know, but I don't have 20th. At least that is what I no- their full address. I will, how-

that date and you didn't have it I was back from my furlough one listed, so if by chance it is an error, week before classes started so we kindly correct it. If there is another were given open post every night Wyant whose birthday is then,

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ticed. Mr. Risley, my birthday is on ever try to get them for you.

and I sure don't want the paper to cross my name off your incomplete remember ten years from now that list. By the way, in looking over they fought our war for us. Will Another factor I wish to call your that list I saw Elwood and Howard you?

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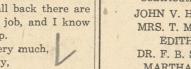
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you will keep it up. Thank you all very much, Sincerely,



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