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Letter from England

Mrs. Annie Tschatschula, The News' correspondent at Northrup, has received a letter from Sgt. and Mrs. Milburn Nink and Judy of Newmarket, England. Mrs. Nink is the former Estelle Paulick. The letter states in part, as of Feb. 13:

"Nothing but cold, rain, or sleet, all we do is stay in by the fire and keep as warm as possible. To attend church services means a drive of 15 miles to the base. At present we live in a very beautiful place, really a mansion, with Tommy Weston, a retired jockey.

All the English people we met are very friendly and helpful which makes one feel welcome. Everything is so different from what we've been used to, really," she says, "about 20 years behind time in some things. Some kitchen here. Have a big fireplace at one end of house and imagine having to cook on one! We, however, have an electric stove and refrigerator but very few places do have this convenience. All the houses have big pantries or as they call them here 'larders.' But for living and dining rooms they go to extremes with all-over wool carpeting.

"Even so, we can be ever so glad we are Americans. I'd never want to spend the rest of my life here, and I'm sure all Americans here agree with me. We are a more religious minded people."

Her little daughter Judy goes to the American School at the base which means a ride of 15 miles to and fro every day, however she is doing quite well comes home with att "A's." With the letter she enclosed a snapshot of the famous Buckingham Palace in a distance, also a picture of the Weston Mansion. Letters like these are always enjoyed by your reporter, and most everyone else. Sgt. and Mrs. Mink extend love and best wishes to all their relatives and friends.