

# JOE GREGORIE MEETS SGT. ROBERT OCHS AT MASS IN INDIA

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## NEWTON SOLDIER HAS VISIONS OF CUBS WINNING THE 1944 PENNANT

Our good friend Pfc. Joe Gregorie writes us from India of a very pleasing incident that happened when he attended Mass in that foreign land on Easter morning. It was at this service that he met up with another Jasper county boy, Sgt. Robert Ochs, a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Ochs, of near Ste. Marie. But why not let Joe tell it in his own way:

"I was at Mass this (Easter) morning in a nearby theatre and I thought I saw a familiar face that looked like one of the Ochs boys. After church was over I asked the sergeant who he was and sure enough, it was Sgt. Robert Ochs. It sure makes a fellow feel good to know there is someone else around from his home town. I only had a very short talk with him as some of the boys were waiting on me to get back to camp, but I'm sure I'll be seeing more of him.

"This is Easter Sunday in India but it sure doesn't seem like it around here. It is just another day. I sure hope all of us can be back in the Good Old U. S. A. for next Easter.

"The weather here is O. K. but it is still plenty warm. I am sure it will be worse in a month or so.

"I don't know how long it will be before the ball season opens there. I guess that is where you and I disagree. I really hate it, because a man of your intelligence should know a good team when he sees one, but sticking to those Cardinals is going to cause you a lot of grief this year when those Cubs win the pennant. (There might be a little argument there, but being over here, I can't hear your side.)

"With that, I'll close, hoping to hear from you soon."

Your friend — JOE.