



Service Star Represents Over 200 Staters

To sew stars to our service flag would mean over two hundred stars on our flag. Since our flag isn't large enough, we've placed one star which stands for every one of our boys who is out there fighting. Listed below are the names of those fellows whom we know are serving. It is by no means complete. If you know of other fellows and their stations, give this information to Florence Miskovsky or Norma Giordano.

Paul Abeel, John Robert Albinson, Seymour Albert, Robert Alexander, Frank Almroth, Anthony Ardise, William Ayre, Phillip Ballerino, Harold Barker, Lou Barbieri, Joseph Barrillo, De Witt Barton, Maurice Berenson, Robert Beckwith, Nicholas Beversluis, Donald Blackburn, Edward Bosard, Rose Blumenthal, Albertha Bokma, Malcolm Breithaupt, Georgia Britt, Kenneth Brown, R. Brunswick, Harry Bryce, Ben Calissi, Marie Campagna, Clarence Carter, Francis Casey, Emil Cavallini.

Warren Chapman, Robert Choyce, Gerard Ciccone, Leo Clark, Howard Cole, George Compton, Bill Conklin, Harry Coyle, Thomas Craig, Thomas Cunningham, Jerry D'Agostine, William Daley, Charles Dalnoder, Edwin Danheuser, Louis De Caprio, Leonard Decker, Peter De Leo, Henry De Olden.

Emile De Snoo, Joseph Donegan, Marion Drew, Roland Dumont, George Dutcher, Ted Eberding, David Ebner, Louis Esposito, Orville Estler, Louis Ferrazano, Joseph Ford, Charles Fulbeck, Courtlandt Guyre, James Hackett, Joseph Hazonics, Donald Hall, Archie Hay, Robert Henshall.

Arthur Hopper, Alfred Horman, James Housten, Ted Jaffe, Arthur Jarvis, Edward Johnson, Elwood Jones, Howard Kamering, William Kane, Walter Kennedy, Rudolph Klare, Harry Kupersmith, Isadore Lander, Michael Lobosco, Charles Lyons, Alfred McKeown, Charles McLean.

Jack Madrigan, David Mahafey, Everett Malefyt, Harold Mandeville, Michael Matthews, Robert Morris, Robert Morgan, Robert Murphy, Marshall Murray, Donald Nellis, Frank Nugent, Marvin Oliv, Thomas Oliver, Andrew Pedata, Edward Phillips, William Platt, Joseph Piccione.

Seymour Pollack, Walter Povich, Edgar Powell, John Prokopick, Arthur Purnell, Emanuel Raff, Wallace Reid, George Reiley, William Risser, Louis Reckionne, Paul Ritz, Calvin Roe, Alice Sachs, Coach Schmidt, Paul Schneider, Arthur Schuman, Ben Schutz, Joseph Serra.

John Sinkankas, Felix Shagin, Harold Shafron, Louis Sirota, George Smigen, Gordon Smith, Ralph Smith, Willard Smith, Carl Snedeker, Charles Spinosa, James Todd, Joseph Van Vuoner, Garrett Vander Els, Floyd Van Kirk, Frank Vanore, Elise Van Ness, Fred Van Ore, Thomas Walsh, Ray White, Eugene Wild, Wendell Williams.

Triggiani Sings At College Assembly

Paterson State was fortunate in securing Miss Laura Triggiani, outstanding local soprano, for an assembly program April 7.

Miss Triggiani has achieved an enviable reputation for her beautiful and eloquent portrayals of leading roles in such operas as La Traviata, Pagliaci, Carmen, Faust, and others.

Her favorite role is that of Violetta in La Traviata. She gave it at Eastside High School a few months ago. Though she does operatic work and has always been interested in music, Miss Triggiani never goes to an opera.

She has done many benefit performances, and sang with Metropolitan stars at the Mosque Theater in Newark. She sang with Giovanni Martinelli in Pagliacci. Hers was the leading feminine role.

Her program at our college included "Pietra Signora," "Caro Nome" from Rigoletto, "Maids of Cadez," "One Kiss," "Jewel Song" from Faust, "You Are Free," and "My Hero" from the Chocolate Soldier.

Her accompanist, Mr. Rosinger, is a well known opera conductor.

Sophs Cancel Annual Hop

For the first time since class dances became a tradition at State, a class has voted to cancel the affair. The committee of Dorothea Van Duzer, Sidney Brown, Eleanor Lillis, and Alice Mae Schofield reached this decision after questioning the success of such a social affair during times like these.

Because so many of the fellows are already in the services or are planning to leave soon, the Sophomores felt that a dance did not look promising. Instead Stuart Benjamin, president of the class, hopes to have some other event. A committee is at work now investigating possibilities. The students appointed by Stuart Benjamin are Alice Mae Schofield, Al Vinci, Fred Engelken, and Eugenia Mueller.

The only suggestion to date is a trip to Palisades Park some time early in May. No definite plans have been formulated yet.

P & Q Sponsors Victory Drive

The P and Q club is sponsoring a Victory Drive which will give the whole body at Paterson State, both students and faculty, an opportunity of showing how much they can do.

Can you knit? Why not knit a few squares for an afghan to be made for the Red Cross. If you can't knit, why not donate the change you have to buy wool. Surely each club can donate a small sum from its funds.

Abrams Speaks Over WPAT

In keeping with the plan that State's radio series given over Station WPAT every Monday morning shall include all phases of Education in War, Miss Dorothy Abrams, State's librarian spoke on the program given Monday, April 12. On Monday, April 19, Dr. William Patterson, principal of State Street School, Hackensack, was the speaker.

Miss Abrams spoke on "War-Time Books for Children." The Text of her speech follows:

War-Time Books for Children

"How does the sun know we turned the clocks ahead for war time?" "Why is Africa called 'in darkest Africa?'" "What does democracy mean?" These and many other questions are being asked by children today, showing their greatest interest in the war.

Because of the war, children's interests are changing and broadening just as are those of adults. Guadalcanal, Papua, Bizerte, are no longer unknown names. Perhaps there is a brother or a cousin in the armed services and that person's experiences are making new things come alive to the children. How can we direct the queries of these boys and girls? One of the ways is by giving them books which tell them the answers to some of their questions, which relate stories of the heroes of this war, of what is happening in many places, and last but not least, give them books that will help them develop international understanding and appreciation of the countries and peoples involved, and of the nature of the peace to come.

Perhaps one of the most effective books on the war is Munro Leaf's "A War-time Handbook for Young Americans." Leaf

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Geography Club Presents Latin American Fiesta

Subtle tango and rumba rhythms form the background for a South American fiesta to be presented to the students of School 15 during the first week in May.

Sponsored by the Geography club, this South American day of feasting will consist of music, dancing, solo players, singers, and a good deal of local color supplied by costumes and decorations.

Committee chairmen appointed at the last Geography club meeting are Emily Kohout, costumes; Louise Woodruff, stage decorations; Gwendolyn Llewelyn, music; and Norma Giordano, dances.

Solo numbers in the program will be presented by Mary Kennedy, Lois McCarthy, Geraldine Armerding, Catherine Barna, and Ruthann Shagin.

It is a yearly tradition of the Geography club to entertain at School 15. The club was responsible for one program already this year, the Christmas pageant presented December 18.

State Prepares Students For More Extensive Field

On April 9 our college was authorized to prepare teachers for certification as teachers of kindergarten and commercial subjects in the high school. To us, as students, this means a great deal. It means the realization of a hope we've had for a long time. The following is the report released from our president's office:

Champin Talks To Upperclassmen

Mr. Champin, a teaching principal spoke to the Junior and Senior classes Thursday, April 8.

His valuable talk noted the things that a beginning teacher must guard against in her associations with the Board of Education the Superintendent of Schools, the Principal, her fellow teachers and her pupils.

Mr. Champin stated that a Board of Education looks for a teacher who doesn't complain, the Principal looks for neat appearance, and continued college courses as well as classroom results, the parents look at the marks their children receive and the pupils look for fairness.

Two common pitfalls discovered through experience usually were that a good teacher isn't over-friendly with her pupils and that she isn't a bluffer, whom the pupils can invariably detect.

Several other people representing different phases of the profession will speak to the Junior and Senior classes this year. The next speaker will be a helping teacher.

Bloetjes Gives College Painting

Before Louis Bloetjes was drafted into the army, he gave one of his paintings to the college. The painting, now hanging in the library, represents the artists interpretation of "No Man's Land."

Private Bloetjes pursues painting as a hobby not a profession. His own home is decorated with his work. Some of them were on display at the college last year when he addressed the Art club.

Dr. Wightman says about him "Mr. Bloetjes came to the college as a student, and has proven in the time that he was here that he is one of the finest students in ten years. He had the heaviest load a student has ever been permitted to carry and had high honors in every subject he carried."

He helped the college by taking over a class in Industrial Management when Mr. Thomas left in the middle of the year. It was through his efforts that State went on the air every Monday morning, and he took over some of Mr. Snedeker's work.

Before enrolling at State he had developed the Modern Credit Service, and worked with all the banks in this vicinity. After the war, he plans to go to Harvard for his doctorate.

Paterson State has a right to be proud of its many accomplishments. For many years it has been second to none in many respects. In fact, many other colleges have been envious of the fine record for placement of graduates; in competitive sports many colleges with much larger student bodies have learned to respect the teams from Paterson State.

There are others respects in which Paterson State excels, but throughout all of this time the college has been limited in the number of curricula offered. In addition to the General Curriculum, Paterson State in the past has prepared only teachers for grades one through eight, while other State Teachers Colleges were preparing teachers for several curricula. We no longer need to feel that we are limited in the number of curricula offered, for on April 9, 1943, the State Board of Education authorized our college to prepare teachers for certification to teach kindergarten and also commercial education in the high schools.

I do not need to elaborate extensively upon this subject, for all of you realize the extent to which this action increases opportunities for young people in this area. Those in the past who wanted to teach kindergarten or commercial education in high schools could come to Paterson State Teachers College for only two years and then they had to transfer to other institutions; but now we do not have to worry about this problem of transfer.

In all probability, students from other State Teachers Colleges in increasing numbers will wish to transfer to Paterson State. Every student in college should assist in publicizing this fact. Give the information to your friends and the young men and women in high schools.

It would be a serious mistake for us to overlook our friends who have assisted us in bringing this matter before the proper educational authorities. The students at college who have worked on this have rendered a real service to young people. In several counties throughout Northern New Jersey the friends of Paterson State Teachers College have been active in presenting our needs, but of course our local friends are second to none.

Mr. Gustav Hunziker, who has served as a member of the State Board of Education, has been in a position to assist us on many occasions. He has helped in many ways by bringing our needs to the attention of local school authorities and also to the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education; but he has never rendered a more important service than that in helping to secure the recent action by the State Board.

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OUR DREAMS REALIZED

Over last weekend we saw one of our foremost hopes realized. Our college was authorized to prepare students to teach kindergarten and commercial subjects!

To us, as students, it means more than an outsider can realize. It means the fulfillment of a hope that we wanted more than anything else for our college. It means that we've seen our school take a step in the right direction—a step that leads to its continued success in the field of education.

Though to us upperclassmen it may not mean personal opportunities or advantages, we share the feeling of pride and happiness in knowing that to many people it means a career that might not have been possible.

Expansion of the course of study here was one thing for which we were willing to work and strive. We couldn't have done it alone, and we'd like to express our gratitude to those who took such an active interest in our cause. I think that when at all possible we should show our appreciation and give our personal thanks to those people who have done their part to realize our dreams.

LET'S GO, GIRLS

College sports are on the down hill. It is true that manpower is slowly dwindling. Our boys have a more important struggle to win. But how about we girls? Must we stand by and watch baseball, basketball, and tennis shelved for the duration? Surely there are a number of girls in the college interested in athletics. Attempts have been made before to organize girls' teams, but nothing much was accomplished. Now that boys' sports are slowly fading, how about renewing our attempt with more vigor. If you really want girls' sports, don't give up. Surely there is sufficient talent in the college.

Then too, our Athletic Association has always received financial aid from student Council. Why can't some of this money be used for girls' sports? The majority of students enrolled here are girls. By paying fees and tuition, we provide money for the Athletic Association. It is our right to request financial aid to back a good sports program.

It wouldn't be too difficult to organize a girls' team. It shouldn't be difficult to get a faculty adviser, and Student Council will listen to the suggestion. How about it?

RETURN THOSE BLANKS

As students of Paterson State Teachers College, we should take an interest in school affairs. In the past year, interest in extra-curricular activities has slumped. Attendance at sports events has been under par. Interest in clubs has been little among underclassmen, and attitudes on the whole have changed. Club leaders find little cooperation from the student body, and failure to assume responsibilities has been noted.

A part of this is because of work outside of school. We realize that many students are employed after school. Many students have volunteered their services at community organizations. This is fine. You should be doing all you possibly can to aid in the war effort. And we'd like to know just what our students have been doing.

In the last issue of the Beacon, a questionnaire appeared. You were requested to fill out the blank and hand it in. Very few were returned. Outside activities can't require so much time that five minutes are too many to give to cooperate in an attempt to tally State's part in the war.

Once again we provide a blank to fill in. Can't you cooperate in this project? Let's have those blanks returned soon.

Easter Fashions

By TEDDY TANIS

Time was when a girl could decide upon an Easter outfit the week before Easter—but notice, chum, that is written in past tense. The shortage of materials makes it necessary for all females to have decided and done something about the decision.

Suits are definitely in! So the bright thing to do is to develop a suit sense. Bright colors look simply lush when placed beside a uniform. Boys like the bright ones. That is why suits, though simple, are eternally feminine and brilliant. Pick a suit, be it flannel, wool jersey, or gabardine. Three simple rules to remember when planning a wardrobe are: be concise, look ready for action in a soft feminine suit, a crisp cheerful shirt, and a neat becoming hat. Next, keep it clean. Cultivate that spick and span look. Finally we have "be bright". Cheer up everyone by wearing colors. Cheer up that certain somebody in the armed forces by writing!



They're Here!

Spots on your face? Stomach red? Feel itchy? Yup, you've got them. It all started when Mina Altman got the measles. They have been the sole topic in the Girl's Social Room since. With the help of professional measles-spotters, Mina was dubbed the first measles victim, and accused of introducing them at State. Edna Kroman, her co-lounger on the couch, was the next one to enjoy a vacation — with measles.

Following her footsteps out of the social room, down to Miss Enright and home, was Louise Woodruff. We finish up our story of measles victims with Emily Kohout who was granted a seven-day absence.

Class Comedy

Rocco M.: "Why can't I get this electricity through my head?"

Mr. Baker: "Too much resistance!"

Mr. Weidner: "Whats your favorite song?"

Ruthann: "Make Believe I Love You."

Mr. Weidner: "If you insist!"

Miss Enright: "What's your excuse this time?"

Fred E.: "Family death."

Miss E.: "Don't tell me they buried your grandmother again!"

Dr. Alteneder: "Who can give me the definition of a moron?"

Harry L.: "Are you kiddin'?"

Miss Abrams: "A library book is missing. Did you see anyone take it?"

Sheldon G.: "A 'gremlin' borrowed it. His mother's ill, and needs some entertainment."

Mr. Karp: "Give a short speech on a baseball game."

George R.: "Rain—game postponed."

Excerpt Of Letter From Pvt. Hall

March 17, 1943

Dear Dr. Wightman:

I have just about one-half hour and there is so much I'd like to tell you that I don't see how I can ever begin, but as time is very precious I will try to squeeze in as much as I can.

First of all I would like to thank you very much for your letter. Knowing how little time you have for such things I appreciated it all the more.

We are moving through this basic training period at an extremely fast pace. We were supposed to take 4-5 months training in 1 month, but now they are putting 2 days' work in one, so you can see how busy we are.

We have completed our work with gas masks. The final instruction took place in a gas chamber where we were told to take off our masks. Much to our discomfort we found the place to be full of tear gas. We finally left crying like babies.

We have finished our preliminary drills with the rifle and only have to have actual firing on the range to complete our training here. Then we shall be shipped to a college for more work. We expect to move on very soon . . .

We have calisthenics daily and 2 or 3 times a week march six miles on the beach (besides our other marches and drills of course). The sand is very poor underfooting and it is a great strain on your legs to make the march . . .

I hope you will pardon my penmanship as I am writing this on my lap as I sit on my upper bunk and am scribbling away at a great rate to beat the weekly fire drill. (Last week I was caught in the tub).

Monday I ate at the Officers' Club. To leave the story here would make it sound very good, but I must admit that the reason was that I was on KP three. I scrubbed more pots and pans than I thought existed. (In the army they come in rather large sizes too. You really have to wrestle with some.) We worked from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., which is three hours less than regular KP but on the other hand there are no easy jobs that you can get for a couple of hours to rest up. I'm really glad I had it once anyway. I believe it to be a part of army life.

I know you will be very interested in this. After much difficulty I located Reilly and al-

though he wasn't in I did meet Fulbeck, Barbieri and Wally Reid. Had a swell chat and am looking forward to seeing them tomorrow night. Ed Johnson, a freshman, is also in the same hotel, as are many of my acquaintances from the city of Paterson . . .

Down here it is really strange to see a civilian and I can truthfully say I'm glad to be doing my part, for actually they are asking very little of me, and I realize that more and more as I frequently turn my thoughts to the pleasures of home and of those so close to me . . . I am only happy to know that around 9 o'clock on June 11 I shall be very glad for the luck that I have had in being awarded my degree and most certainly I shall be thinking of all of you.

Mother mailed me the latest BEACON which one of my classmates was thoughtful enough to take to my home. I certainly appreciated it and was glad to get Mac's address. I shall write him as soon as possible . . .

I receive many letters, however; many from the students. They're really the greatest bunch in the world and I'm loyal to the Seniors in picking the best of all . . .

'Bye

Mournful eyes—a fond embrace
A lonely heart—a smiling face.

My country is at war—I must go
My inside feelings—I cannot show

Family and friends—I leave—
suffused in sorrow
I'm going—to help make a new
"tomorrow".

I'm leaving my friends—my
Mom and Dad
I'll never forget—Mom's face was
so sad

Oh, I'll come back—at least I'll
try
If not—the real me will never
die!

When it's over—all over—and
victory is won
Our lives as before—will again
be begun

If I'm not here—when the new
life goes by
I'll look down on earth—from
Heaven up high.
FLORENCE MISKOVSKY

STATE SPORTS



WHISPERIN'S —by— Herb Gurantz

Yes indeed, spring is in the air again. You'll probably wonder where I get the nerve to say something like that after all the unspring-like weather we've been having. However, I'm not altogether unbalanced, I think. Look around you and take notice of the trees, the grass, the flowers, and the birds. (If you haven't noticed them yet, I suggest a consultation with Charles Johnson. He's quite the expert!

But seriously, it's something more than that. It is our national sport, begun many springs ago and still going strong. Baseball season is here again, with its thrills galore. Inning after inning packed with excitement. Last minute pegs to first base; sizzling line drives out over second base, too hot for the infield to handle; bunts trickling down the third base line bringing the runner into scoring position on second; those tense moments when the score is tied and the bases are loaded with two men out in the last half of the ninth inning. There is nothing quite like it in any other sport.

Baseball is not just a game. It is a battle of wits, and the team with the shrewdest and keenest mind behind it is usually the winning team. Some may question this, but I believe that any shadow of doubt will be erased if these unbelievers will take a trip over to the Yankee Stadium, the Polo Grounds, or even over into the wilds of Brooklyn, Ebbetts Field, and watch the major leagues go to work. They play baseball in the same way that a lawyer handles a case in the court.

But now you'll ask what all this has to do with State ball. That's just what I'm driving at. State is in a spot as far as players are concerned (not in quality but in quantity). But, then so are all the other schools in our class. All these factors being equal then, the difference lies in the direction of the teams activities. How does State stand in this situation?—The coach is gone, and in his place is one of the best pitchers State ever could claim as its own. But what of his coaching ability? Coach Schmidt left him pretty big shoes to fill, and to my way of thinking, that is the unknown quantity. Dan Jankelunas is a swell fellow, and a fine athlete. His coaching ability will be revealed in the very near future. I, for one, will be watching with very keen interest to see how Dan handles the situation, but let me also say that I have all the faith in the world in him. I know he will do his best. After all, can we ask more of a person?

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The batting will be handled this year by Dan Jankelunas and Fred Enkelken behind the plate. Aside from Jankelunas, Templeton, is the only varsity hold-over from last year. Charles Johnson and Hal Piazza will probably hold down two of the varsity infield berths, and the sixth infielder is a question mark. The infield will have all experienced players. The outfield will probably have Dick Dennis shagging flies with the other two positions still doubtful. Dick, however, has quite an amazing throwing arm, and it will probably do plenty of damage throughout the season.

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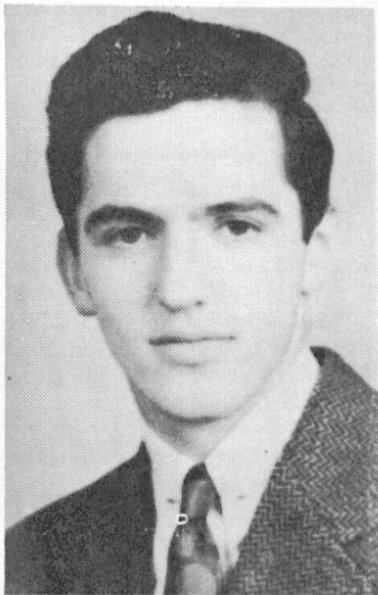
The Army has struck again and State loses two more of her fine athletes. Tommy Rumana and Mort Fink have left us. Both are especially fine basketball players, and their loss will mean a great deal to State. Baseball also felt the long arm of the draft board when Bob Morris was called to the colors. Bobo, Mort, and Tommy, I can very honestly say, will be missed a great deal by all of us. I would like to wish them all the luck in the service. With men like these and others who have gone before them on our side, we can't possibly help winning this great struggle.

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Congratulations are in order. Not many of you know that Sid Brown has just gotten an athletic scholarship to Rider College. Unless the navy has other plans for him, Sid will enter Rider next fall. He was offered this scholarship when the Pioneer courtmen were at Rider a while back and it has just been approved by the college. This is a swell break for Sid, and I know you'll all join me in saying "Congratulations!" Bye now!

Brown Awarded Scholarship To Rider College

One of Paterson State's ace courtmen, Sid Brown, has been honored by Rider College at



SID BROWN

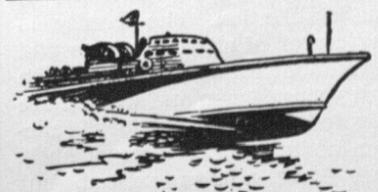
Trenton, New Jersey, by awarding him an athletic scholarship for two years. This is really a fine break for Sid, who always desiring to become an accountant, will be at a fine school of business administration.

Sid is one of those very reserved persons who are not found everywhere. He makes up for his quiet nature on the basketball court. His leaving will be a heavy loss to State, but our consolation is his having been here for two years.

The offer, made by the Rough Rider's Coach, was a complete surprise to all of us and to Sid. Little did he realize that he was being eyed all season. When the Pioneers traveled to Trenton last month to tangle with Rider, Sid was in top form, and the offer was made immediately. It is a wonderful opportunity for a fellow who really deserves it, and we are hoping that he can take advantage of the opportunity.

Sid has been, we might say, brought up on basketball. He started at a very early age, and by the time he entered Eastside High, he was quite an accomplished hoopster. He played varsity ball at Eastside, and also for the Paterson YMHA which is one of the finest amateur teams in this section of the State. Sid has played tennis also, and is varsity material in the racquet sport as well.

On the court he is a consistent high scorer, and a team player of great ability though he had little chance to show it this year. He is a member of the U. S. Naval Reserve, and may be called before his chance comes at Rider.



BUY WAR BONDS

BASEBALL SCHEDULE 1943

April 16—Montclair	-----	A
" 19—Montclair	-----	H
" 27—Panzer	-----	A
" 30—Upsala	-----	A
May 11—Panzer	-----	H
" 14—Upsala	-----	H
" 21—Coast Guard	----	H

This schedule has not been released as complete. More games may be added as the season progresses. All home games are played at Eastside Park.

Letter From Dave Ebner

Wednesday, March 24, 1943

Dear Friends:

It's a chilly night down here in the Southland; and most of the gang are in the barracks getting some well-earned rest in preparation for another busy day. So with a makeshift desk of a borrowed suitcase, I am taking this time to write a long overdue letter to all you Staters. More than a year has passed since I left my studies and good times alike to enter the army. Much has happened in that time and I hardly know where to begin. Perhaps, the best beginning is to say that I am now a full-fledged tanker. After being trained as a rifleman and machine gunner, I find this tank training the most exciting of all. Our company commander once said that a man had to be just a bit "crazy" to be a good tank man; but better words for it would be rough and tough. At times, we really go jumping and bumping along the countryside. Being in a tank crew is much like playing on some winning team where teamwork is stressed. Each man besides being an expert at his specifically assigned position, must know the job of the other man. The driver, gunner, radio operator, and tank commander must work in perfect coordination to come out on top; and were only taught to win. To carry out this mission should the occasion arise some day, we've got as clean cut a bunch as could be and from all walks of life. Its an education in itself just to get to know these fellows really well.

As an interesting side note on another side of army life, I'd like to add a word or two about the USO near my present outpost. To us, it's a place of relaxation where entertainment is never lacking. People connected with such places deserve much praise for the work they're doing. In parting, to my former classmates—long and continued success to you all. To all you guys and gals, this man's army is the best there is.

DAVID EBNER

P.S.—Thanks for sending the Beacon, Norma. Ill send a snapshot along one of these days.

P.S.S.—That pet peeve of Charlotte's (in last issue) calls for a comment. I'm really more prompt in writing to her than I was in getting to this letter to the Beacon. I got a kick out of it.

National Camp Holds Reunion

Those who attended the National Camping Institute last year held a reunion Saturday in the Time and Life Building, 14 West 49th Street, New York City. Anyone interested in the camping institute was privileged to attend this reunion and find out more about the aims of the Institute.

The March of Time movie made at National Camp last summer was shown at the reunion. Prospective campers had the opportunity to meet the staff and old campers at a tea held after the preview of the movie.

Those unable to attend saw a motion picture about National Camp at State on April 14 at Assembly. Dr. Sharp, director of the camp will speak to the assembly about its aims, purposes and good times Wednesday, April 21.

Weidner Swings Baseball Bat

Attention! Girls and fellows (if there are any around). The latest news to come our way concerns our own Mr. Weidner.



MR. WEIDNER

For the next few months he will be swinging not only a baton but also a bat. Yes, you have guessed correctly. Mr. Weidner has been newly appointed baseball coach.

Mr. Weidner informs us that this will be his first attempt at coaching. He sincerely hopes he will be as successful as Mr. Schmidt has been in past years. Surely his combined pep and personality should guide our team to victory. Can't you picture our team swinging the bat to Brahm's Hungarian Dance No. 5?

In case recruits run low, we want to remind Mr. Weidner that State has an ample share of women who will gladly do their bit for the team. (And Mr. Weidner!)



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War Bonds

Expansion

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The expansion may be in a large part attributed to the efforts of Mr. Lloyd Marsh. He was able to present the case to Dr. Elliott in such a way that it hastened a favorable consideration.

It would be a long story to mention all of our friends, but we should never forget the man who took the initiative in making our college a State institution. I refer to Henry A. Williams, who served our community as Senator from Passaic County twenty years ago. He was most active in our behalf then and the recent action of the State Board of Education is a twenty-year anniversary recognition of the work of Mr. Williams.

Another person who might be overlooked by our students is Mrs. Isabelle Summers. Probably some of the younger people in Paterson have forgotten the fact that at one time we had a large tract of land that was scheduled to become our campus. This tract of land was given to the State by the City of Paterson as a college campus. Although the depression prevented the realization of our hopes at that time, we shall always remain most grateful to Mrs. Summers for her assistance in securing this land. This is only one of the many things Mrs. Summers has done for us. In our recent authorization for expansion, Mrs. Summers has been a consistent and faithful worker throughout many months.

If I should try to tell you all of the people who have assisted us, we would have to exclude all other material from the Paterson State BEACON! The public newspapers have already told you about the assistance given by the local Chamber of Commerce, in which we have many consistent friends. You have also seen in the papers the names of many other clubs and organizations and people interested in education. You cannot possibly thank all of these people. I will try to do much of it for you, but stop in and see Miss Doremus, the principal of School 24 and a member of the State Legislature. Tell her you appreciate the fact that she has so consistently helped us in many ways. Tell your friends in high school about the program and you will render a real service to education.

Beacon Plans Special Issue

The Beacon Staff plans to issue a special issue of the BEACON devoted to news from and about servicemen. This issue will feature letters from the boys and a list of the fellows from State and the station at which he is. The mailing list is far from complete and the addresses are those most recently received from the fellows.

Publishing the addresses, the staff feels, will induce more students to write, and will aid the fellows in locating each other. Letters to the Editor have requested more addresses of fellow students. Letters have also expressed gratitude for sending BEACONS, so the staff would like to issue a BEACON entirely for and about them.

This issue will appear at the beginning of May, and should prove interesting to both students and servicemen.

Trapp Family Give Program At State

A golden page from a favorite book — that inadequately describes the enchanting program presented by the Trapp family singers on Wednesday, March 31st. As refugees from their invaded Austria, the Trapp family is now touring the country presenting concerts. They are led by their personal chaplain Father Franz Wasner and consist of Mrs. Trapp, her five daughters and two sons. The lovely smiling girls wore their hair braided and pinned in a halo effect. They brightened the stage not only with their blending voices, but with colored costumes. Each wore a colored apron over a long black skirt and a white puffed-sleeved blouse with long white stockings to match.

The men portrayed Old Austria with their short black knickers and embroidered pockets. To add a note of gaiety, they wore long green stockings and bright red vests with sparkling silver buttons.

The program was a varied one, offering both singing and playing of instruments.

Their voices blended to sing Mozart's "Ave Maria," and as a gay contrast they harmonized with "Now is the Month of May." Folk songs vividly portrayed the family life in Austria. An interesting part of the concert was the yodeling, which Mrs. Trapp said originated in the middle of the Alps as a language for the less talkative.

The other interesting songs were evening songs of Austrian family life and Old Black Joe of our own southern family life.

Mrs. Trapp then told us the story of the invasion of her family life. Once invaded a country no longer can enjoy family life nor can it keep its philosophy of education. There is only one decision to make when your country is invaded, that is, one must choose between "material goods" or "spiritual goods". The Trapp family chose the "kingdom of God," and left their material goods behind them. Now, after four years of the American way of family life, Mrs. Trapp warned us to be thankful for what we have and not wait until we are about to lose it. Family life should be preserved for "A country is as strong as its family life," and a family life needs religion. Mrs. Trapp guaranteed that the war will not be won "by weapons alone," but "by prayer" as well.

Club Explores American Life

As part of the topic adopted by the State Association, the Psychology club's April meeting was entitled "How Can the Cultures of Different Nations Contribute to American Life?" As a sample of contributions of different nations several girls demonstrated the special cultural characteristics of a country.

Some of the students showing the examples of culture of several of the European countries will be Josephine Kohout for Czechoslovakia, Josephine Baskinski showing the music of Poland, and Betty Bennett, showing Chinese costuming.

Abrams Speaks Over WPAT

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understands young children's interest in the war, and she tells them what they want to know about constructive war-time behavior—incidentally, it is good citizenship for peace-time. The text and clever drawings give dozens of practical suggestions about what boys and girls can do to help our country in the war, and how to become a real part of the job that we all must share to bring victory and peace.

"White Star of Freedom" is the story of a Basque shepherd-boy, the uprooting of his home by the war, and of how he comes to America and finally became a citizen of the United States and then took his place as a member of America's armed forces. The story tells in a stirring fashion of the meaning of democracy and citizenship.

Perhaps one of the most thrilling stories for older boys and girls has been written by a New Jersey author, Stephen Meader, and entitled "Shadow of the Pines." It is a spy story about Fort Dix, and besides being an exciting tale, it tells a good deal about the Jersey Pines section. Young Ted, the hero, lives with his grandfather not far from Fort Dix. Ted's friendship with some of the fellows at Dix, his trailing the Nazi spies who have hidden in an abandoned house, his capture by them, and finally his rescue by his friends from Dix, make a thoroughly exciting story.

John Floherty's "The Courage and the Glory" is a book of true stories about some of the heroes of this war. The exploits of Colin Kelly, General MacArthur, Lieutenant John Bulkeley and others, are told in an inspiring manner by Floherty.

"The Questions of Lifu," by Eleanor Lattimore who spent many years in China, is the story of a little Chinese boy, who wanted to join his father, a soldier in China's army. Perhaps it answers a question that many mothers are facing, when the youngster of the family wants to go with Dad who is in the Army or Navy, and instead must learn that his part is staying a home as the man of the family.

Frances Carpenter's "Our South American Neighbors" is an excellent book to stimulate interest in South America, and to arouse a feeling of the mutual need for friendly cooperation between South America and our own country.

These are only a few of the books about the war that would prove interesting to our boys and girls. If you wish to know about others, you may write to the Library of the Paterson State Teacher's College, Paterson, New Jersey, and a longer list of war-time reading for children will be sent to you free of charge.

Dr. Patterson discussed one of the war's outstanding problems and one New Jersey community's approach to it in his speech entitled "Child Care in Time of War."

Child Care in Time of War

Children are the bulwark of our civilization. The family is the center of all that is fine and permanent in our society. The best years of men and women are devoted to this primary function of living. Problems of child care have always existed, but are particularly evident in such

times as these when we are engaged in a global war. Then the situation becomes crucial and children must have the best possible supervision if the civilization for which we are fighting is to be maintained and improved.

Our men and women on the Battle Front of this terrific global war are fighting with this very civilization symbolized by the family group may be maintained against the forces of fascism and violence who would enslave them and all they hold dear. Those who are fighting on the Home Front must preserve the principles here like those expressed in the "Atlantic Charter," or those fighting on the War Front will have fought in vain. We know that men can fight magnificently and that men and women can work wholeheartedly on the production lines only when they know that their families are being safely taken care of during their enforced absence from home.

Our men in service are bound by strict military regulations to fight for victory at whatever personal cost. Likewise, the volunteers on the Home Front are morally bound. Those who are members of the Community War Services Division of the Office of Civilian Defense have undertaken such a binding obligation. They must have the courage to accept the responsibilities involved in such a task.

It follows that it is the primary duty of citizens charged with child care to find out the true picture of the living conditions of all children adversely affected by the war situation. At the same time they must make a careful analysis of all existing community facilities for child care. It then becomes their responsibility to recommend ways by which the community may assume its obligation to meet any shortages that may exist between the need for child care on the one hand and the available facilities on the other. Finally, it is their responsibility to form the view of the demands of this total war to see that such a program of child care is so satisfactory that women needed in winning this war have sufficient confidence in the program that they will intrust their children with those in charge and volunteer for war duty.

It is and always has been the community's obligation to accept these responsibilities for child care. There are grave dangers to local initiative form of government if communities do otherwise. Children in fascist nations are taken care of by the

Letter From Felix Shagin

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Fort Dix, New Jersey
April 7, 1943

Dear Norma,

There is not much I can tell you about my army life that you other nephew of Uncle Sam's, haven't already heard from some, but I can say that unless one is really in the service it would be very difficult to understand the sudden change that occurs.

Right now, I'm in what is known as the processing stage—and boy, what a process! So far Army life consists of but two participles, "Waiting" or "hurrying" and these I emphasize.

Nevertheless I know that the life I am leading now will provide the foundation for all my future existence and on my success or failure at this critical moment rests my achievements of the future.

Sincerely,
FELIX SHAGIN

state. Juvenile delinquency here is already on the increase, and the jails, courts, and other similar institutions may become child-care centers. Irreparable damage will be done to our family life if this problem is not handled by our communities.

All parents, teachers, and friends of youth must allow themselves to see that this total war on the Home Front is won for youth against those who through ignorance or otherwise would neglect this vital problem having the American family. It was for this purpose that the Bergen County Child Care Committee was formed through the cooperation of ten county and state organizations. This committee, working closely with the Community War Services Division of the Office of Civilian Defense, is attempting to render service in this emergency through (1) dissemination of information concerning child-care problems; (2) establishment of a county training-program for recreation aides and child-care aides; (3) focusing of attention on the community's responsibilities to care adequately for the children in the community and (4) coordination of county effort on a continuous program of child care now, and in the days after the war.

This will have much destructive effect upon civilization. May our children retain all their rightful heritage—their opportunity to participate successfully in the making of a better world tomorrow.

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