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PARENTS OF SON

Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Albinston became the parents of a baby boy on February 22. The baby has been named Robert David. Mrs. Albinston is the former Agnes "Rags" Abrahamson. Had she remained at college she would be a Junior this year. The couple is living in Norman, Oklahoma where Lt. Albinston is stationed with the Navy Air Corps.

MRS. SEARLES HEADS
PLAN SPONSORED BY
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In the establishment of development of the Community Child Center at Paterson Teachers College, Mrs. Searles, director, has the cooperation of State, student body and maintenance crew.

Sponsored by the Committee of Patersonian, donated strong financial support and outgrowth of this project opened on April 11, 1943, with an enrollment of six children. The object is to provide the children of working parents with healthy and safe playing facilities, and intellectual like music and story-telling.

A graduate of Columbia University, where she majored in child development, Mrs. Searles has headed many programs before coming to Paterson State Teachers College. In September 16, of last year, she spoke at the New York State Teachers' Convention, where she was elected to the position of Ed. Verduin, Guss Smith, of the maintenance division, erected cots and painted the children's room. Furthermore, Basil and Tom Watt made and built a platform where students designed and brought essential things carrying on the Child Eastside High School's girls gave generously of time and knowledge. The room's classroom, located on the first floor, is decorated with pictures of them.

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A native of Waterbury, Connecticut, Miss Kloppenburg desired from early childhood to become a teacher. However, it wasn't until she had finished secondary school that the New Englander decided to concentrate on becoming a good teacher in the lower grades. She reached this decision after observing that she had found the development of children more interesting than instructing in high school.

From high school, the neatly-dressed lady entered Mt. Holyoke where she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, majoring in English. She continued her higher education by attending Teachers College, Columbia University, where she earned the Masters of Arts.

Her formal schooling completed, Miss Kloppenburg began teaching, the first job being at a school in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Between the time spent at this school and her appointment to teach at State, she has gained thorough experience in this phase of education.

PARENTS OF SON

Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Albinston became the parents of a baby boy on February 22. The baby has been named Robert David. Mrs. Albinston is the former Agnes "Rags" Abrahamson. Had she remained at college she would be a Junior this year. The couple is living in Norman, Oklahoma where Lt. Albinston is stationed with the Navy Air Corps.

MRS. SEARLES HEADS
PLAN SPONSORED BY
LOCAL PATERSONIAN

In the establishment and development of the Community Child Center at Paterson, Teachers College, Mrs. Searles, director, has the cooperation of State, student body and dance crew.

Sponsored by the Committee of Paterson, donated strong financial support and outgrown this project opened on September 11, 1943, with an enrollment of six children. The objects provide the children of working parents with healthy and safe play facilities, and intellectual and like music and stories.

A graduate of Columbia University, where she majored in child development, Mrs. Searles has headed many programs before coming to Paterson State Teachers College. Since September 16, of last year, she has been in charge of the soft-speaking New Yorkers that Ed Verduin, Gus E. Smith, of the maintenance, erected sets and painted the children's room. Furthermore, Basil Smith and Tom Ward made built a platform where students destined to bring essential things carrying on the school's Eastside High School girls gave generously of time and knowledge. Their classroom, located on the first floor, is decorated with pictures of them.

Assisting Mrs. Searles have been the full-time teachers Ann Duggin, Mrs. Ann Hoban and Mrs. R. Lewis. Time students, Blandine Mary Kramer and Gertrude Armerding. Another character will be started at the River View House, subject of Paterson.

PHI OMEGA PSI SORORITY

A business meeting of the Omega Psi Sorority was held March 7th in Miss Jackson's office. Alice Mae Schofield, president, presided, and Florence Miskovsky, secretary, presided over the absence.

STATERS IN THE SERVICE



Jacobs Earns English Mark; A. S. T. P.

John Jacobs, 17, who received the highest mark in the English course, entered the Army Special Training Program as a cadet at the University of Delaware.

Before enrolling at Paterson, Jacobs attended the Freshman School No. 21 and was a member of the Eastside High School Teachers College in 1943.

During his grammar and secondary periods of education, Jacobs participated actively in many activities. He was a member of the Paterson Pageants, local basketball club, and was a champion of the Bergen Counties for 1942-43.

Former Staters To Wed

John Fredericks, who left eight months ago to enter service in his country, and Athalia Darnell, who married in November with the Senior class, plan to be married in the near future. Athalia visited State during Jack's furlough and was his first since he left. The reunited couple had announced to their friends that when they would be married in Texas in two weeks. In case Jack can't get home, however, the ceremony will take place in three weeks when he is eligible for a furlough.

Fredericks has for the last months been in the State studying engineering at Tech. His subjects are "difficult and technical" physics, mechanical engineering and mathematics.

One problem on the way, however, was with transportation for he even found it hard to board a mail train. "I stopped at every crossing and it seemed." Although after sixty hours of steady travel to get to Paterson, "It was worth every minute of the back home," said Pvt. Fredericks.

Fredericks spent his first basic training in the Camp Fannin, Texas, where he met Felix, who is in an Air Corps unit at Shepherd Field. "Staters found company in reminiscing while from home during the furlough."

Stater Promoted

Steger, former student, received a commission as lieutenant in the Medical Administrative Corps as a cadet from the Officers' Candidate School at Camp Berkeley.

Cadet Don Hall Describes Life At Stratner Field

Dear Mrs. Boer,
Tonight I filled my pen, climbed up to my upper story office and firmly resolved not to budge until I have answered a couple of letters I have owed for a long time. I've been full of good intentions for quite some time, but am still acknowledging Christmas gifts. That plus an occasional note to my folks to let them know I'm still alive seems to keep my "spare time filled up" as they say.

Before I go any further let me thank you for your Christmas card. It was grand of you to remember me. I received so many others that I really don't see how I can acknowledge them all. Several of the faculty members sent them and even if I can't write all of them immediately I certainly would like them to know how much pleasure they brought me.

While on the subject of P. S. T. C. I might mention that mail call yesterday brought two editions of the BEACON which certainly afford endless pleasure. It's swell to see familiar names and to find what some are doing. I hear from many of the fellows but the papers brought me up to date on some whose whereabouts were unknown.

Life here at Stratner Field is just one day after another, all of them alike. It's not the nicest place in the world but I guess there are lots worse.

Plenty of Flying

We've just about finished all our academic work and so far so good. In fact it's been pretty easy. When not in class we fly and that, too, is fine at this very minute. Although I never know what the next day will bring. We got pretty far behind schedule due to some very bad weather right after Christmas and as a result have been flying days, nights and Sundays to catch up. Keeps us occupied.

We had Christmas off—this little country boy saw the sights of the big city of Wichita—and sights there are to see. The inhabitants all work in the local plane factories and spend all their spare time figuring out their crazier, noisier and wilder ways to spend their money. Naturally, places only too glad to take it, have sprung up—so I imagine Wichita to your imagination. Quite a change from Brady, Texas.

SIMON IN AIR CORPS

Private Donald Simon, former freshman at State has survived his "shots" in the Army Air Corps, and is now enjoying a thirteen-day leave.

Proving to be an expert with a carbine, he completed his basic training at Keesler Field, Mississippi. He expects to be sent to the Central Fire Control School and then be placed on the B29.

On one of his days off, Don was told to march in a parade. He claimed this was a pleasant surprise.

The Army seems to agree with Don for he is looking exceptionally well and is in excellent spirits.

Snedeker Thrilled At Scenic Beauty

8 February, 1944

Censorship in this squadron is very strict but I'll try my best to tell you of my travels. We had a wonderful trip down here. The weather was clear and mild except for three days. The nights were beautiful and black. When you make the trip we made you call the black nights beautiful, as I'm sure you well know. The trip was uneventful as far as action goes but very beautiful as to scenery enroute. I'm including the sight of nothing but the deep blue ocean as one of the beautiful scenes. I never realized before what beautiful sunrises and sunsets could be seen over the ocean. And I saw every one of them although not always by my own choice.

Where we are stationed now the daytime temperature often reaches 115-120 degrees although it is wintertime. However, the nights are cool and sometimes we could use a light blanket. The area is a nice place to be stationed, at least for a while.

I suppose you know about our new son, Carl, Jr., born January 30.

Corporal Smith Views Miami

Corporal David Smith has seen more of Miami and surrounding territory from the air than from the ground since he has been at Fort Myers, Florida.

Dave, or "Skip" as he is better known to most Staters, attended gunnery school at Fort Myers for six weeks. During four of these he flew nearly every other day and gained much skill in marksmanship while shooting at tow targets which as he explained—are "hunks of cloth strung from cables at the tail of a plane." Bright green dye sticks, formed in the Gulf of Mexico, were also used as targets for the gunners.

Home on his first furlough since his entrance in the air corps last March, "Skip" returned to State several times during his brief stay. He left Paterson State during the second half of his freshman year, and was surprised to see that the boys' lounge had been turned over to the girls.

Corporal Smith (Dave received his promotion just before Christmas) received his basic training at Miami Beach and went from there to North Carolina to go to Mechanics' School. For the four weeks preceding his furlough he has been attending instructors' School at Fort Myers, Florida.

11 MEMBERS ADDED TO STATE'S GLEE CLUB

Eleven members were accepted at the tryouts for the Glee Club held recently. The names of these students are: Marty Lou Bartow, Vincle Alleste, Lois Paerclough, Dorothy Eschenbach, Ada Skuratofsky, Florence Bezdek, Dorothea Van Duzer, Jeanie Neil, Betsy McDermott, Jane Steel.

Plans are being made for the group to attend a theater party.

Cpl. Rumana Now In England. Writes To Mr. Williams

February 12, 1944
England

Dear Mr. Williams,
Yesterday I received a State Beacon and it reminded me that I hadn't written to you for quite some time. It was the December 17th issue and from the looks of things, most of the boys should be overseas or on their way according to all the APO numbers I saw. I've been over here for quite a while now and understand most of the English customs (at least I think I do). Our dimouts in the States was light daylight compared to dimouts here. After walking in to a few lampposts. I decided to buy a torch (that's what the English call a flashlight). For the first week or two I found it hard to get used to cars coming up the left side of the street. One night I stood in the street just waiting for a car to get over on the right side when the dawn came and I remembered I was in England. So far I haven't seen any snow here and probably won't from the looks of the weather. How is everything coming along in the good old States? We bought a radio a few weeks ago and can get some American rebroadcasts. Nothing sounds better than to hear an American orchestra or comedian. Regards to Dr. Wightman, the faculty and the students.

Smith Tells Of Air Raids In England

Herr Hitler and his playmates are starting to make things a little warmer around here lately. He seems to be determined to give the English back a dose of their own bitter medicine that he first started. Perhaps you have been reading about the recent raids in the paper. Tell me do they seem awfully remote to you people? You know we sometimes wonder just how you people think and feel about such things.

I changed my attitude when I met up with my first air raid experience. They are quite the thing. Generally the Jerries like a clear night with numerous scattered clouds. For then they can ride on top of the clouds without being seen. Then after they get over their targets they duck out, bomb, and scurry back into the clouds. During the past week the raids have become more intense with emphasis on the incendiaries. He seems to sow them as we would grass. Many of course are duds since they land in soft muddy ground. However they do cause damage. Fun to think of it but not when they miss home sweet home by four feet. High explosives are very nasty; they really dent and flatten most stuff in the neighborhood. It's quite a sensation to hear one come whistling down and then see the building shake like a bowl full of jello. After each raid we find jagged pieces of shrapnel all over the area. These are highly dangerous if you should meet up with one since they are extremely jagged and are dropping through the air at several hundred miles per hour. So we just take cover.

Pvt. Vic Christie Sends Impressions Of England At War

Somewhere in England
December 28, 1943

Dear Dr. Shannon:
This is the first chance I've had to write. We've been very busy getting ourselves settled in a new country. It's a beautiful country, filled with old traditions and customs many of the towns have remained the same for centuries. I would like to tell you of one such town which is near my camp and which I had the pleasure to visit.

The road leading to the town reminds you of one of those old country roads which you find in Sussex County, New Jersey. Sheep, cows, and quaint houses dot the roadside and give you the impression of serenity. As I walked into the town over a cobble stone street, I immediately felt that this is really an old town. I inquired, and found out that the town dates back to the days of the Saxons. Every type of English architecture can be seen by just walking down the main street. I don't understand but I had the feeling that nothing really had changed since the Saxons dwelled here, and that this little hamlet, (in significant to many) will outlive man himself. The tranquility of the entire scene leaves you awed and even motivates you to think that this town exemplifies the entire English countryside. I made a right turn, and I was suddenly jolted from my musing, for there directly in front of me, I saw a result of modern war. A once beautiful church, which was built in the 13th century, is now nothing but a shambles of its former self. It was this church which served as a refuge for the people of the town when the "black death" ravaged England. A direct hit of a 500 lb. bomb finally destroyed its structure. Most of the treasures were saved, among them was a robe which a priest wore in the 13th century. Also I saw a beautiful piece of tapestry, woven with gold threads during the 14th century; the town is very proud of this work because at the time of the Coronation, the King and Queen had a replica of it made for the coronation altar.

George Reilly Returns For Visit

George Reilly, who graduated from State last June, recently visited us while enjoying a ten-day furlough.

George received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps on February 3, 1944 at Turner Field, Albany, Georgia, and was designated a pilot after successfully completing the prescribed flight training course.

George is now stationed in Columbus, Ohio, at the Lockbourne Army Air Base, where he is being trained to fly a four-engine bomber (B-17) in a prescribed course of ten weeks.

While out here, George accidentally met Bob Choyce, a fraternity brother who is studying engineering for the government at Ohio State University.

have and I am also running out of ink.