



Boys Favor, Girls Against Military Training In U. S.

Results of the recent Psychology Club poll conducted among students revealed that boys were in favor of, as opposed to 23 boys, against one of compulsory military training or any other type of compulsory training that would be to the Nation's welfare. 44 girls were in favor of, as opposed to 96 girls, against compulsory training for one reason for answering in the negative were as follows:

- 1. A nation, which shows it defend itself is less likely to be attacked.
- 2. It develops cooperative attitudes.
- 3. It would discipline and physically fit the youth of America.
- 4. Distorting of the influences that felt to be operating that a definite effect on their behavior in the survey were listed as follows:
- 5. Own thinking
- 6. Reading
- 7. Radio programs
- 8. Friends and family views.
- 9. Ideal Mate
- 10. Boys were to list the in order of importance, 1. Ideal wife, and the girls to list the traits of an ideal husband.

BOYS—IDEAL WIFE

- 1. Personality
- 2. Intelligence
- 3. Character
- 4. Education
- 5. Same interests
- 6. Understanding
- 7. Disposition for motherhood
- 8. Emotional Stability
- 9. Health
- 10. Homemaking ability
- 11. Originality
- 12. Good Looks

BOYS—IDEAL HUSBAND

- 1. Character
- 2. Good Provider
- 3. Intelligence
- 4. Health
- 5. Companionship
- 6. Emotional Stability
- 7. Similar Interests
- 8. Social Disposition
- 9. Personality
- 10. Cooperation
- 11. Disposition for fatherhood
- 12. Good looks.

It is interesting to note that boys should consider home-making abilities so near to the top of their list, and that the girls some of whom checked "suitable for an ideal wife," placed it third highest on their list.

COMING ASSEMBLIES

- 1. Freshman Play. --
- 2. "Doc" Rivers and Blanch Palmer, Liquid Air Program.
- 3. Glee Club "Music Week" program.
- 4. "Class Day," seniors.

'Debits & Credits' Holds Supper

Perhaps if you had been in State on the night of March 15, you would have heard the songs and shrieks of laughter from the students celebrating in the cafeteria, and wondered about it. Who were they? Members of the new business club, Debits and Credits, opening its activity season with a supper party.

Grace Van Orden, chairman of the Refreshment Committee, assisted by Gloria Tarabour, Audrey Schmidt, Fleurette Stock, Dorothy Welber, Annette Pezzano and Clare Barth prepared the luncheon and almost everyone agreed that the dinner table looked as beautiful as the food was appetizing.

Games and songs followed the luncheon, and Olga Probst, president of the club, was the first to suffer the consequences in a game of "coffee pot." Olga's imitation of "the voice," Frank Sinatra, was terrific and she acted her part to a "T." After tormenting Dorothy Dell, Ada Skuratowsky, Gae Dittamo, and Marie De Rosa, the club members soon placed Dr. Freeman and Mr. Haas on the stand. Delighted as we would have been to see both Dr. Freeman and Mr. Haas suffer the consequences planned by the members, no such luck was found for they soon guessed the correct answers. Dr. Freeman and Mr. Haas showed excellent sportsmanship in the game of "coffee pot."

Soon after the games ended, songs were sung by all, and at this point, I would like to add that Dr. Freeman will never be forgotten for his wonderful conducting and illustrating of "Teensie Weensie Spider," "E-I-E-I-O," and "I'm In The Swiss Navy."

With the singing of "Good Night Ladies," (Gae Dittamo, not included) the night's fun came to an end and the students headed for home after an evening well spent.

—A. R.

I.R.C. Will 'Not' Attend Meeting

After much consideration and the I.R.C. have decided against attending the Metropolitan Conference of International Relations Clubs at Hofstra College to discuss the topic, "Hopes for Permanent Peace," because of the inconvenience of the schedule and travel.

Plans for seeing a New York play are now complete, and on May 2 sixteen members including Mr. and Mrs. Matelson will see "A Bell for Adano."

Mrs. Janowsky To Speak
Mrs. Janowsky, a part-time student who represented the New Jersey Independent Voters League at Trenton, will address the club at the next regular meeting which will be held on Friday, April 6, in Room 304 at 12:30 P.M.

War Bond Booth Boosts State Stamp Sales

Emily Mix, chairman of the War Bond and Stamps Committee announces total sales up to present are \$632.70 since the



EMILY MIX

opening of the red-white-and-blue Bond and Stamp booth located in the main hall.

All sales are on a competitive basis, and each class and the faculty is urged to purchase stamps as often as they can. The booth is open for business every lunch time and at various periods throughout each day. Chairman Mix and members of her committee attended a conference on March 22 held at State Teachers at Montclair for the purpose of deciding an appropriate course of action in the 7th War Loan Drive.

'Play Day' To Be Held April 9 In College Gym

"Play Day" will take place Monday, April 9, according to Women's Sports Club president Dorothy Krech. An afternoon of athletic events and games will be held, during which occasion the girls and faculty will join with rather than against each other.

The program will begin in the afternoon in the gym; supper will be served in the cafeteria; and after supper entertainment will be presented in the auditorium.

'SUPPRESSED DESIRES' SUCCESSFUL PLAY

At the assembly program presented March 14 by the Psychology Club, Staters were entertained by the sterling performances of the three members of the cast, namely Josephine Lembo, Emily Mix and Anthony Mainenti.

The theme of the play presented many humorous situations; the moral, if one may presume to venture one, is that "they who play with fire, except in this case, the subject was psycho-analysis, getteth burnt." All who saw the play gained some useful information, as well as enjoyment.

Masque & Masquers To Present Three-Act Comedy, 'Brief Music'

"Brief Music," a three-act comedy by Emmet Lavery about college girls, will be presented by the Masque and Masquers Thursday, May 3 at 8:30 P.M. in the college auditorium.

FACULTY TENDERS TEA

Members of the faculty and staff of the college entertained at a tea on Friday, March 9, in honor of Miss Bertha Tyrrel and Mrs. Ruth Rogge, who are both resigning from the college staff.

Miss Tyrrel left on March 15 and will soon be married.

Dr. Tunis Baker, president of the Paterson State Teachers College Faculty Association, presented Miss Tyrrel with a pair of sterling silver candlesticks on behalf of the faculty.

Mrs. Rogge received a pair of sterling silver earrings. Both were also presented with gardenia corsages.

Mrs. Margaret Ford, chairman of the Faculty Hospitality Committee, and Miss Sara Lounsbury, were in charge of arrangements. The color scheme for the tea table setting was yellow and green with a centerpiece of large yellow daffodils.

Polgar Hypnotises State Students

Hypnotism, mental telepathy, and feats of memory were the features of the assembly program yesterday, with Dr. Franz Polgar demonstrating his abilities in his "Miracles of the Mind" presentation.

Highlight of the assembly was his hypnotizing a half dozen students on the stage to the amusement of the audience. Particularly good subjects were Louise Socha, Doris Nebesnak, Dorothy Krech, Edith Coyle, and Helen Potash. Distributing glasses of water to his hypnotized subjects, Polgar suggested they were drinking champagne and Doris, under his influence, staggered across the stage while the others giggled "drunkenly."

Suggestions which were followed through in the post-hypnotic state included "Dot" Krech's being unable to leave her seat and Doris Nebesnak's left leg sticking to the floor when she tried to leave the stage. Louise found her shoes became uncomfortably tight.

Polgar stated during his lecture that hypnosis belongs to psychology. It is helpful in ridding one of bad habits. There is no danger involved if the hypnotist is an expert and ethical. Those with higher I.Q.'s seem to make better subjects.

MEASLES 'VICTIM'

It's a cinch there's a spy lurking around somewhere when an ex-State sailor picks up the German measles. Tracking down said spy somewhere on Manhattan Beach is Leonard Rothstein, Seaman 2/c, former president of the Freshman class of '48, now with the U. S. Coast Guard.

The rehearsals are in full swing now with Gae Dittamo, sophomore, acting as assistant director under Dr. Karp, adviser. The cast is as follows:

"Spiff" ----- Peggi Muller
"Ditz" ----- Frances Hintz
"Loves" ----- Freyda Spira
"Jinx" ----- Gloria Tarabour
"Roste" ----- Helen Potash
"Naggle" ----- Evelyn Wakon
"Minnie" ----- Kay Simpson

The chairman of the committees in charge of staging and properties are:

Mickey Zakim, props: Gloria Rachelle, make up and sound: Eunice Velle, tickets: Marilyn Woolley, programs: Dorothy Krech, usherettes: Celeste Iapichino and Gae Dittamo, prompters.

Sophs Retain 2 Vice Presidents

At a recent meeting the Sophomore Class decided to retain two vice-presidents, Francis Hackett and Bernard Bokma. Formerly Francis was vice-president, but because the class thought he was a junior they elected Bernard to take his place. When they found out that Francis was still a sophomore, they decided that they could use the services of two officers.

The class has made plans for a picnic to be held on April 19. Of course, if "the rains come" it will be postponed until the following Thursday, April 26. The picnic will be held on Bernard Bokma's farm in Allendale.

CAKE SALES TO CONTINUE

As a result of their Friday cake sales for the past four weeks, the Junior Class has netted \$14.90. The cake sales will continue until each member has contributed cake, pie or its equivalent in pastry. Proceeds will be given the Senior Class toward their yearbook, PIONEER.

Red Cross Doubles Original Quota

While the exact figure is not available because of activities not yet completed, the Red Cross Drive has been successful to the extent that the original quota of \$100 has not only been met, but doubled. The total to date is \$248.

In connection with the drive, the forty students who signed up to be blood donors will be notified by mail from the Paterson Chapter the day they are to report; elsewhere, busy fingers are working on sweaters and crocheting wash cloths for Red Cross Production.

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"ACCENTUATE THE POSITIVE!"

Is such a thing possible? Will the college supply the paint, brushes, and other supplies needed to renovate the smoking room?

"If they'd give us the supplies, we'd be willing to clean up the place and paint it ourselves," have been frequent and enthusiastically voiced sentiments echoed during the past two weeks. (Could it be that "spring-cleaning fever" has attacked the habitués of the college smoking room?)

This dingy room, or to put it in a slightly colored phrase, this tattle-tale gray version of a certain historical "black hole," is in dire need of cleaning up and redecoration, an opinion unhesitatingly voiced by both the students who frequent it and by those who avoid the smoking room.

Dr. Wightman, college president, recently commented: "Although we must bear in mind that it is war time and that there is a limit on what we can attempt, I urge the students to take the initiative in this project. Let's see what they can do." Money will be contributed by the administration.

"Student power" is necessary, for the janitors not only have their own many duties but those of their co-worker, "Smitty," who has been out ill for several weeks.

Knowing now that the college will provide the necessary supplies, come on you Staters with your PIONEER spirit: renovating the smoking room should be a lark compared to the path blazing of your pioneer namesakes.

Now's your chance—you students who have been quoted above—"accentuate the positive," take the initiative, exercise aesthetics in the choice of color schemes, use some elbow grease and wield those paint brushes.

Here's a chance for *student action* on a badly needed renovation. The smoking room will be an excellent illustration of the BEFORE and AFTER theme. "The wielded paint brush is mightier than the mere spoken word!"

—P. M.

KEEP OUR "CAMPUS" CLEAN!

Now that spring seems to have made its debut, you will notice that over half of the student body of State has migrated to the park across the way. It really is a wonderful place to spend "free" periods and lunch time, but as it serves as the campus for P.S.T.C., I think students should be more conscious of the fact that it should be kept clean.

I admit that after you have had some refreshing ice cream pops or your lunch, it does seem so simple to just drop the papers, bags, etc. and settle back for a mid-day siesta, but it doesn't result in a very attractive appearance. This reflects on the college, too, not just on the individuals who are responsible for the careless action.

Probably this year, as in previous years baskets will be placed in the park for refuse. Either the students of P.S.T.C. (and others) don't have 20-20 vision to see these receptacles or they are just too lazy to get up to deposit their refuse in them.

I think that if we students would start a "Keep the Park Clean" campaign, other people would follow suit. How about each of us, individually or in groups, starting right now, so that when the contrary weather is really springlike, we will be ready to "welcome sweet spring-time" and keep our "triangular campus" neat and clean.

—E. V.

The Inquiring
Reporter

By EVELYN WALTON

The Question—"Are you in favor of having gym classes throughout your four years of college?"

MARIANNE RICHARDSON, sophomore—"Yes, as it is, we have gym only in freshman and sophomore years. I feel that swimming is a particularly good form of recreation, valuable in teaching safety to children when we get our degrees."

MARILYN ZAKIM, freshman—"Of course! We should all be physically fit as well as mentally. Gym classes help keep us alert."

FLEURETTE STOCK, freshman—"Yes, in the teaching profession there is a tendency toward stagnation. Effective exercise, begun here can help eliminate this."

LOUISE PEARSON, junior—"I'm not in favor of regular gym classes, but swimming would be O. K. with me. It's stimulating and good for the figure."

VINCIE ALESSI, sophomore—"Gym is a splendid form of relaxation. Most of us have little time for exercise unless we get it in gym classes."

MRS. JANOWSKI, special student—"By all means. I see no reason why physical conditioning should be stopped after only two years of college. It is comparatively valuable, and may lead to the development of a hobby that will be useful throughout life. I feel that way about golf, myself."

MR. HOWARD HAAS, instructor—"As I see it, because of the great number of physical reactions as evidenced through selective service, we will be compelled to emphasize physical education for both men and women. However, I look for a different type of physical education when we are back on a peace-time basis."

'Aida' Given At
'Met' For Students

On Tuesday evening, March 6, a special performance of "Aida" was given at the Metropolitan Opera House for students of high schools and colleges in this area.

Leading roles were sung by Stella Roman, Bruna Castagna, Thelma Votipka, Kurt Baum, Leonard Warren and John Gurney. The performance was conducted by Cesare Sodero.

Costumes and scenery were of outstanding beauty and the superb ballet performance was enjoyed by all who attended. The "Triumphal Entrance" and the "Death Scene" were considered the most memorable scenes of the evening. P.S.T.C. was well represented by Mrs. Monypenny's music classes and other students who had managed to secure a ticket.

Now I'll Tell One

Dr. Baker, in dismissing the anatomy class which had been studying bone structures: "You may now put your bones in the box and quietly pass out."

The same Dr. Baker, in one of his science classes with the juniors, used the following example in order to illustrate the dependency of one thing upon another, so that a cycle evolves: "Strong British seamen depend upon old maids."

"Why?"
"Old maids keep cats.
Cats eat field mice.
Field mice destroy bumblebees.
Bumblebees pollinate clover.
Clover eat clover.
Clover supply beef for the British Navy."

During a penmanship class, Miss Jeffries said while discussing the capital "P." "We must write it over and over and . . . over and over again!"

She suddenly queried, "Do I sound like 'Your Hit Parade'?"

'Pomes'

By EUNICE VELIE

SPRING SPRING

Spring has sprung
The grass has rizz
I wonder where
The flowers lizz?

"SPRIG"

Sprig lizz here
Ad the flowers are blubbig
Ad I dot a cowl id by dose.

Mrs. Rogge Leaves
State's Office Staff

On April 13, P.S.T.C. will regrettably bid adieu to Mrs. Ruth Cairns Rogge, recorder, and helpful friend of the student body.

Health and a desire to live in closer proximity to her parents are her principal reasons for leaving. Mrs. Rogge expects to undergo a major operation at the Paterson General Hospital in the near future. After her recovery she intends to live in New York or Maine.

The prospect of residing on her parents' 100-year-old estate, which extends over 50 acres, seems especially appealing to her. Her parents, both retired, served as missionaries in Yokohama, Japan, which is also Mrs. Rogge's birthplace. Brought to this country as a child, she has spent most of her life in New Jersey.

In her duties as recorder she has charge of student records, academic grades, records of activities and extra-curricular subjects. For several years she assisted Dr. Shannon who administers the placement bureau for graduates. Upon her departure the regular Recorder's work will be assumed by Phyllis Zisblatt, sophomore class president and business student. Miss Adams now assists Dr. Shannon with the placement bureau; Mr. Matelson will evaluate records of extension students; and Miss Jackson, those of the full-time students.

Recorder Rogge came to State January 2, 1936. When questioned how she felt about leaving her job she remarked: "I've made many friends among the students and graduates and will miss their visits and telephone calls."

State 'Aquab
Swim For Gy

By FRANCES BRITZ

Each Tuesday afternoon, fair sex of our college, the Y.M.C.A. and their hair down. They greet the eyes of any who ventures near by.

At one and the same time, souls cautiously exposed the water. Woe eyes they gave a swimming and diving pool. Initiated. Their attention diverted by the of the instructor.

While "Stretch" reconstructing beginners in art of swimming, the experienced aquabobs playing their skills.

An astounding march through the waters of Tarabour poles at the board. Splendid Greek perfect exhibition of the land. A second time the same result. Gloria remembers the same result. "If at first you succeed, try-try-try."

Mrs. Ford enters the scene and is enthusiastically greeted on all sides by the edge of the pool. She collides into the water. Louise Pearson, who has progressed to the via the "holding on" of the pool method, and begins to sink. Mrs. Ford, who is struggling to stay on the surface of the water, tiny Knech. Dot pulled to the safety of the pool and averted a calamity.

After breaching a surface, one can watch swimmers gasping in Under Mr. Peck's they are supposedly breath control. To the onlooker, it appears a slow case of suffocation. No casualties have been reported.

One's attention is suddenly by a loud cry comes from the locker room. Would-be swimmers rush to the scene. The vision of heroism is immediately dispelled. The outburst was a spontaneous action of one of the students upon viewing the straight line.

Finally, exhausted, soaked, and merrily, their wear, they back home, or place of employment. With a week of effort, they are once again and physically equipped to undergo the rigors of a swim session.

REPORTERS TAKE

For the past two weeks the STAFF BEACON Romanelli, reporter, carrying on the business manager, Virginia Donald and Madeline Sprung reporters, who are serving the "Service" news. The first who hold the business manager's and service editorial positions, Elizabeth Gehringer and Dorothy Stuehl have been out teaching.

STATERS IN THE SERVICE



Emile De Snoo Wins Victory

The Aleutians. We still have a victory to be a victorious rear so that we may return raised heads to that back there where our thoughts run. I can't anything that can do make this year a happy victory. We still have enough road ahead of us of our doubt for a minute will make it. Let's see keep our kids out this otherwise it's all just. We can't stop when the is fired—then is when really begins. Do you education can do it? Be what of an idealist. I'd think so but really a big what is going to teach respect. We've been suck-often to let it happen. Everyone of us in the or in during the last and make it our personal ability to see that there, less twenty years from received the December of the BEACON today enjoyed it very much. one I got was a couple us ago and I was begin- wonder whether I was get another. They're reading on nights like when you have no de- cision to even walk a hundred yards to the those kids are doing a getting it out to us taking for a bunch of us we enjoy it. Let's more news of the overseas. It's good to out "Ship" Dannhauser and Tony Barbarito rest of them.

—Lt. Emile De Snoo

Back to Guinea

to New Guinea March 27, 1945

Wrightman. I last wrote you a thought me back to me. The purpose of was for reclassification. First I was a Replacement Depot was interviewed, given classified. Then I was to my present place to ed through preference and educational qual- ity, believe that my of being put into Fin- land. So you can see education at P.S.T.C. thing me good. And I that it will continue after the war. I am on continuing Business and Accounting and. This place itself, it is and has all the possible overseas. It recreation hall, good and that includes books, movies and of interest. A radio which is going most and that helps too. I like this place quite would be more than assigned here. We few magazines but the local variety.

—Alfred Resnick

...G. I. SHORTS...

Lt. Kenneth Brown, formerly Dr. Kenneth Brown of the P.S.T.C. mathematics department, was a recent visitor here. With him was his wife, also a former member of the college staff. Lt. Brown is now stationed at Naval Air Station, Floyd Bennett Field, N. Y.

Pfc. Harry Lister, class of '44, who entered the Army at the end of his junior year, was another recent visitor to the college. Harry had been at the front in Germany for one month when he was wounded and removed from the fighting area by plane to England. From there he was brought back to the States by ship and is now stationed at Camp Shanks. He is a recipient of the Purple Heart.

Doris H. Everett, Sp. (T) 2/c of the U.S.N., and a graduate of P.S.T.C. was here for a visit during a recent leave. She is stationed in the Link Department at Chase Field, Beeville, Texas where she instructs navy cadets in using the Link Trainer.

David A. Jacobs of the United States Army, former State student, dropped in for a visit this month. He is in the Army Specialized Training division at Storrs, Conn.

Just back from Italy came Walter Dunkel of the Army Air Corps for a furlough during which he visited State. He attended P.S.T.C. during '41 and '42 and finished his college days at Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tenn. before entering the Army. He is now stationed in Atlantic City, N. J.

HOPES IT'S REAL THING!

Fort Dix, N. J. February 15, 1945

Dear Miss Abrams,

By the way here I am on the way to "other parts". This time I hope it's the real thing—I've been shelved too long.

The BEACON sure was a fine little gift which I received through the mail the other day. That little paper surely is a darn good morale booster and I ain't kidding either.

SGT. EMIL CAVALLINI

Meritorious Acts Win Beversluis Promotion To Lt.

Nicholas Beversluis, who graduated from State in 1941, was recently commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Army. He entered the service in June, 1941, and has served with the Seventh Army in the invasion of Africa, Sicily, Southern France and other cam-



LT. NICHOLAS BEVERSLUIS

paigns. He is now located with General Patch's forces in France.

Lieut. Beversluis, who has completed over 30 months of foreign service, entered the armed forces as a private and received his commission for meritorious service. He was previously a First Sergeant.

While at State Nick was president of the S.G.A.

Barbieri Assigned Ball Turret Gunner

(Special To The Beacon)

15th ARMY AIR FORCE — Newly arrived in the Mediterranean theater of operations, Sergeant Louis J. Barbieri, of 86 Third Avenue, Paterson, was recently assigned as a ball turret gunner to a veteran Liberator squadron in Italy.

A graduate of East Side High School in 1941, Sgt. Barbieri was a student at Paterson State Teachers College when he entered the Air Corps on August 20, 1942. He attended aerial gunnery school at Harlingen, Tex., and previous to his assignment to combat duty with the 15th Air Force, he was stationed at Boise, Ida.

DALEY RECEIVES 6th CLUSTER

(Special To The Beacon)

An Eighth Air Force Fighter Station, England—Captain William C. Daley, fighter pilot of Onancock, Va., has been awarded a sixth Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal for "exceptional meritorious achievement in aerial fights over enemy-occupied Continental Europe."

Captain Daley flies with the 56th Fighter Group, highest scoring fighter outfit in the Eighth Air Force. This crack P-47 Thunderbolt Fighter Group, commanded by Lt. Col. Lucian A. Dade, Jr., of Hopkinsville, Ky., has destroyed 841 German planes—676 in aerial combat and 166 by strafing. It is a unit of Major General William H. Kepner's Second Air Division.

Captain Daley has destroyed four Hun planes in the air and shares in the destruction of a fifth by strafing. He has also destroyed a number of enemy locomotives, freight cars, oil tanks, supply trucks, flak positions and gun sites, and other enemy ground installations while on strafing missions with the group.

In pre-war days Captain Daley was employed in the engineering department of Wright Aero Corporation, Paterson, N. J. Bill attended P.S.T.C. from 1938 to 1940. Before being sent overseas he was stationed with a fighter group in Alaska for many months.

Hall Talks To U.S. Nurses Released From Jap Prisons

March 21, 1945

Dear Mrs. Bear,

Since I last wrote you I believe I've had one of my biggest and most pleasant experiences of the war. I was lucky enough to be around when the nurses who had been prisoners of the Japs for three years were flown out of Manila. Another fellow and I were some of the first white men they talked to and it was really something. I'm sure I've never seen a happier group; they all wanted to talk at once, not of themselves, but to question about so many things. Those girls have really been through something.

While on the subject of meeting people, you asked about Dan (Jankelunas). Last night I sat next to an ensign at the movies and, as I have with all Navy men, inquired about the whereabouts of Dan's outfit. This fellow not only knew the outfit but Dan as well—imagine what a kick I got to find he's on an island about 50 miles away, an island that I've flown over practically every time I go out or come back. It looks almost in our backyard from the air, in fact it is just about where we start letting down to land. I arranged for a ride over there on a PT boat and just received permission from the C. O. to take a couple of days off between trips so expect to drop in on him soon. Hope we don't get our plans messed up. Wouldn't it be something if Mr. Snadekar was on the PT boat?

If we stay here much longer won't want to come home (and I've only been here four months!) At any rate we finally completed our Officers' Club we have been building. I might say we're pretty proud of it. It sits out over the water where it catches a nice breeze and also gives us a place to swim. So far we've had a couple of parties that have turned out pretty fair. You at Paterson aren't the only ones who have nurses, for we do too and what could make a party over here more like the real thing than women?

Received a card the other day inviting me to a meeting of Who's Who in P.S.T.C. this April. Sort of doubt that I'm pressing social calendar will let me make it. Surely would like to meet all the fellows and girls (or should I say women) again.

Letter from Mac (Breithaupt). He's out here somewhere. Everything else is fine. Even if it does seem silly to work yourself to death for awhile and then undergo a period of practical suspended animation for a few days. Guess I like the life OK.

—Lt. Donald Hall

CONDUCTS COURSES

Dr. Alteneder has been conducting a course of six weeks on "Understanding Human Behavior" at the annual Institute of the Bible School, Broadway Baptist Church, Paterson.

Beckwith Guides G.I.'s Out Of Trap

In the February 2 issue of the Montclairian we read that Robert Beckwith, former Paterson Stater who transferred to Montclair in his sophomore year, is a captain and is now in Europe, where he successfully guided thirty wounded G.I.'s out of a Nazi trap in Belgium.



CAPT. ROBERT BECKWITH

To quote from the Montclairian: "It so happened that the only exit from the Belgium village where his company was stationed had been blocked by German Panzers. Facing an almost hopeless situation, Bob worked over his map and planned a cross-country escape route. A group of volunteer men helped him blaze a trail with shovels and axes through heavy underbrush and marshy land. This trail certainly 'paved' the way as the outfit then guided the ambulances carrying the wounded to safety."

Captain Beckwith attended State in 1938-39 and was elected secretary of the S.G.A.

Pvt. Smith Writes While Under Fire

Dear Sir:

January's BEACON arrived today to keep me up to date on the activities of my classmates and friends at home and in the service. The "Staters-in-Service" page is excellent. I think the people who write this page deserve a good deal of credit. I was sorry to learn about Bill Loveless being listed as missing in action. I'm in Germany now with the Seventh Army near where Bill Loveless' Third Army is. At present I'm living in a cozy two-man fox hole in the midst of a beautiful forest. The country around here is similar to that of Northern New Jersey and appears at first glance to be untouched by war. The towns seem to have suffered the most; they could be considered more as ghost towns, because the only creatures in them are the livestock which have managed to survive our artillery. Most of the houses are in ruins, especially in the smaller towns. I think Germany is learning her lesson and learning it well. Please excuse the errors; we're being shelled right now which makes letter writing a bit difficult, besides this is my last V-mail.

—Pvt. Willard L. Smith

Garret Vander Els Receives Beacon On German Front

Germany
March 4, 1943

Dear Dr. Wightman,

Receiving a copy of the BEACON yesterday was a very pleasant build-up indeed. It took me away temporarily from the realities that now confront us. It's been death and destruction from the beachhead of Normandy to our present location, without too much material for a "drift" from those scenes. It was good then to take time out to read through the pages, thinking back as I read to pleasant years spent at State and dreaming of more pleasant years in the not too distant future.

I also received your letter some time ago. The war has certainly brought some great changes, according to that letter, to Paterson State Teachers College. That 100 per cent placement record for the class of '44 really looks good. I couldn't help but think of the days of '36-40 and 50 applicants for one position, but even so the placement record was high.

You speak of my sending you a picture. That now is an impossibility but I shall do so, providing the photographers in Berlin haven't been bombed out. If these small towns and villages are barometers of what is to follow, I shall have a difficult time finding a place to "watch the birds."

It is truly beyond human reasoning why the German Army continues to fight. It must be clearly seen by Germany and its leaders that further resistance is not only useless, but murder. Yet they go on fighting like mad dogs, holding out so long as possible then moving back to fight some more. Hitler's dream of stalemating the war must now seem ridiculous and his hopes for anything short of unconditional surrender shattered.

I've passed through some of the battlefields of the last war, the Argonne Forest, the Marne, etc. Walking around, I found helmets of Americans who lost their lives in the Argonne. I'll write about that trip across France later . . .

—Pfc. Garret Vander Els
P. S.—Enclosed find Safe Conduct leaflet. Many German soldiers have used similar ones when they were ready to call it "quits."

(Editor's note:—Enclosed was a Safe Conduct pass printed in red and black, and written in both German and English. Signed by Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Commander, AEF, it says: "The German soldier who carries this safe conduct pass is using it as a sign of his genuine wish to give himself up. He is to be disarmed, to be well looked after, to receive food and medical attention as required, and to be removed from the danger zone as soon as possible." The reverse side, written all in German, seems to be articles from the Geneva Convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of war.)

Goldberg Set As Radio Operator

Dear Dr. Karp,

As you can see from the return address I've finally been assigned to a company after all these months of kicking around here and there. I'm in the Amphibious Engineers, for which I was trained back in Florida, and even more important than that for my state of mind, I'm in the Communications Section as a radio operator. If you've had time to read the newspapers lately you will have read of the role of the Amphibs. Our job goes one step further than the Navy Amphibs who merely carry troops to shore in small amphibious boats. After that job is done we land and do the usual sort of work that is entailed in the Corps of Engineers. This outfit is one of the oldest over here and has a fine record behind it. In fact, I'm rather glad that I did get into this outfit in preference to some others. I don't think it's necessary to elaborate on the job that I do. It's the routine work of radio operation, yet it holds a certain interest for me. The work itself isn't difficult but it is exacting.

Our life here is not a very exciting one, but enough activities exist to round out the days and weeks. The island we're on happens to be one of the nicer ones out here and we don't have any trouble with jungle or mud since we live on coral ground right next to the beach. We have those tremendous rainstorms however, almost every evening; and naturally enough during the day it gets hot enough to acquire a sunburn. Aside from our work, we play ball, go to the movies when they have them, read, write letters, and we even have a very beautiful enlisted men's club complete with dance floor (few girls to dance with, though) bar, and brass rail. Every once in a while if we get in a shipment of liquor, we can get something to drink but otherwise the club is just a place to go to spend a quiet evening playing checkers or cards, or listening to the recordings you've heard of the Armed Forces Institute whereby servicemen can take correspondence courses to round out their spare time and improve their education. Well, I've signed up for a course in radio theory, to get a better idea of what I'm doing when I'm operating a set. I even have a far-away idea to continue it as a hobby after the war is over.

You'll be interested to know too that I received the latest (?) copy of the BEACON even though the address wasn't correct.

PFC. SIDNEY GOLDBERG

Glee Club Attends Rehearsal At Met

Officers of the Glee Club and their adviser, Mrs. Money Penny, were extended the privilege, on February 28, of attending a working rehearsal at the Metropolitan Opera House.

It was the dress rehearsal of "The Golden Cockerel," starring the youthful Patrice Munsel. The costumes were exceptionally beautiful and the settings unique. Much to the audiences' amusement, the rehearsal was interrupted twice for last minute improvements of the stage settings.

Aleutian Islands Are Headaches, Says Cpl. Spinosa

Dear Dr. Wightman,

The Aleutians, which have been excessively publicized and overrated, are nothing more than a group of sore spots which contributed nothing but headaches to Uncle Sam or to any other country which would aspire to occupy them. The physical



CPL. CHARLES SPINOSA

conditions, all unfavorable to human settlement, are no less unbearable than the unpleasant terrain features—although the latter do not produce the hazardous and subtle obstacles produced by climatic conditions. Although I cannot conceive of any permanent American settlement this far out in the chain under normal conditions, one need not be a military strategist to predict the maintenance, for many years to come, of numerous bases already established. Notwithstanding the strategical location of the islands, I'm inclined to agree with those who would abandon the Aleutian Route in favor of the Mainland Route farther to the north—Fairbanks, Nome, Siberia—despite the extra mileage.

I thought I had been born too late to witness the growth of an American frontier, but what better sample can I witness than this! True, there are no women, and wild romance is absent, yet one's senses are passionately alive to the atmosphere of hard work and rough living. In close contact dwell vulgarity and gentility without conflict. Despite the wide gulfs between individuals, we achieve some communality of spirit—some means of being together that will prove the more substantial. I am certain that many of our associations are friendships over and above the limitations of time, place, and situation. For such spirit to exist in a state or regimentation is a notable and admirable achievement—one common to Americans.

It is truly a strange war that exists up here. We do not battle the enemy, but the weather and, even more formidable, ourselves. Loneliness, the bane of every soldier, produces various reactions of distress upon different individuals. Some become so gregarious and loquacious that we be it to the unfortunate audience who cannot extricate himself from the clutches of his "verbally precocious" friend. The counterpart is also manifested by those who are reclusive and morose, and prefer to suffer in silence. They are inclined to be peevish and

Pvt. Jacobs Gets Warm Welcome

Well girls did you notice David Jacobs, one of our khaki clad visitors?

As Pvt. Jacobs was walking past Mom's heading for the side entrance of P.S.T.C., a few friendly girls "poked" their heads out of Mom's store and called him in. There he was welcomed wholeheartedly. He said, I never had such a wonderful welcome as I've had this time and I assure you that I've met more students at Mom's than I ever have in college.

Pvt. Jacobs was on leave waiting to be transferred or to be discharged. In the latter event he's going to lose no time in joining the Merchant Marine.

During his training he was first stationed at the University of Delaware and from there went to the University of Connecticut.

To Kalon Sorority Resumes Activities

To Kalon, the oldest established sorority at State, has felt the need for "young blood." Although once very active in college, it became so large that no new members were accepted during the past few years.

Prospective members of the To Kalon Sorority enjoyed afternoon tea at Howard Johnson's River Road restaurant on March 12. The eight pledges are Rose Adams, Claire Barth, Miriam Campbell, Barbara Cummings, Marie De Rosa, Kay Simpson and Grace Van Orden. They will be invited to attend meetings of the sorority followed by a regular initiation week in college.

The group is planning a Mother and Daughter banquet to be held the day after Mother's Day.

Irritable . . . These are the extremes—which include a sizeable proportion; however, I am in constant admiration of those who display resilience of character and have the strength to face any situation.

—Cpl. Charles Spinosa

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Zeta Kappa Holds Banquet

Zeta Kappa Chapter, a Mother-Daughter organization which may become an event at Nystrom March 13.

Table decorations were designed by Dorothy senior, with assistance of Adele Heines, and Jean Bender. Decorations were with the spirit of Day.

Entertainment was by members. The program was as follows: Adele Heines, piano; Jean Bender, piano; Muller, majorette. The evening was closed with singing.

ZKX members, at the marriage of Jean the engagement. Crouch, State bloom.

Plans are being made for a sorority to work on articles at the next

Theta Delta Greets Members

Theta Delta Rho held a St. "Paddy's" on March 12 in a cafeteria to welcome new members into the fold. Members: C. Chino, Eunice V. Donald, Dorothy Conroy and Fran Juniors; Frances Vander Roll, Marjorie, Lois Marjorie, and Doris freshman.

Games were played and refreshments were served the evening.

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