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## News Brevities

### Africa

United States troops opened a surprise offensive toward Fondouk, a central Tunisia base near the vital Axis air base at Kairouan, and met with initial success. The British Eighth Army fought its way into the Mareth Line in spite of stiff resistance. The drive began after a German infantry attack had been repulsed east of Maknassy.

### Algiers

General Giraud and General Catroux sought to merge the forces of General de Gaulle with the North African French in a common front against the Axis.

### Moscow

The Red Army maintained offensives on at least three sectors of the vast Russian front despite the worst weather of the year for military operations.

The Russians advanced within approximately thirty miles of the German bastion of Smolensk against concentrated German reserves of infantry, artillery and planes.

East of Belgorod the Red Army lashed out in a counter attack and captured enemy positions and a large quantity of material after hand to hand fighting.

### London

Dutch, French and Norwegian patriots launched a new wave of sabotage and terrorism.

The United States Army Air Forces plan, as soon as possible, to match the Royal Air Force plane for plane and bomb for bomb in the European air offensive which, with the present force alone, already is setting records of destruction.

In the first large-scale attack on the Reich since March 12, the British showered 1000 tons of bombs on Duisbury, Europe's largest inland port and raided other targets in the rich industrial Ruhr Valley.

### Washington

The Allies have been carrying out their Casablanca Plans by intensifying anti-submarine warfare by expanding aid to Russia, by continuously bombing Axis industrial and transportation centers, by commencing a combined attack on the Tunisian Triangle, and by unifying French factions and holding back the Japanese until Germany is defeated.

Lack of priorities has threatened continuation of the air mail system for the duration of the war. The possible discontinuance of air mail would be based on the fact that demands for military air transport have already produced such a state of disorganization and caused so much delay that their usefulness has been seriously impaired.

The War Department has announced the development of a new type of deadly gun, the "Bazooka," so called because of its shape. It is already in action on several fronts.

The United States Navy struck with its long range bombers at an island outpost, 1190 miles from Truk, main Japanese base in the Pacific and other heavily fortified enemy positions along the road to Tokio.

## FRED WARING IS HONORED GUEST AT NAVAL AVIATION REVIEW LAST SATURDAY AFTERNOON



### Orchestra Leader Views Aviation Officers

On Saturday afternoon the Centennial Gymnasium was crowded with spectators who witnessed the review of the Naval Aviation officers. Fred Waring, nationally known orchestra leader, was the honored guest.

Mr. Waring, accompanied by his wife and two of his children, flew to Bloomsburg from his home in Stroudsburg. Lieuts. John C. Koch and Andrew Boyjian piloted the plane.

Lt. John R. Hoyt, U. S. N. R. director of the national flight instructors schools in the United States, escorted Waring on the inspection tour.

Mr. Waring spoke briefly about the part that his orchestra and other orchestras are playing in helping to build morale. He also spoke of the need for the men to have patience even though they are hurrying to prepare for the great task which is ahead of them.

After the officers passed in review, Ensign Miller commanded a platoon in a precision drill.

An informal reception was held for Mr. and Mrs. Waring at the Elks' Club, where the Naval officers and their wives were present.

### POETRY CLUB HOLDS AN UNUSUAL PROGRAM

A program of Choral Readings was conducted for the members of the Poetry Club, at their last meeting on March 19.

The program was under the direction of the committee. Miss Gertrude Makowski and Miss Mary Trump acted as chairmen.

#### Group Participates

Mimeographed copies of the poems for reading were distributed among the members, at which time the club was divided into the usual choral reading groups: light, medium and dark. Each group read their assigned parts as Miss Makowski directed.

Choral Readings have been done before by the club, but this program proved very unusual and entertaining.

### SOPHOMORES FILL OFFICE VACANCIES

The Sophomore Class met March 3 to nominate members to fill the offices recently vacated when the Vice-President, James Zweizig, and the Boy Representative, Robert Bunge, were called for military service.

After the Treasurer, Harvey Huber, read the financial report on the "Sweetheart Ball," the President, Bernard Kane, entertained nominations for the offices of Vice-President and Boy Representative. A motion was unanimously carried that the election be made by plurality vote.

The following were nominated: Vice-President — Harold Miller, Helen Oyer, and Poletime Comuntzis. Boy Representative—Joseph Gula,

## MR. BAILER SPEAKS ON CHARACTER EDUCATION AT PI OMEGA MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of Pi Omega Pi was held on Thursday evening, March 25, in the Social Rooms of Science Hall. Ted Manley, the Fraternity's new President, conducted a short business session at the beginning of the meeting. Following the business discussion, Mr. Bailer gave a talk on the responsibility of a teacher in character education. After the adjournment of the meeting, some of the members enjoyed a pin-ochle game in the Social Rooms of Noetling Hall.

## CLUB TAKES HIKE TO DETECT DEFECTS

Instead of having a regular meeting on Thursday, March 25, the members of Speech Club went on a speech hike. What is a speech hike? It is a new way of acquiring excellent hearing. You walk down the street and eavesdrop on every conversation you run across. The members were listening for such things as stuttering, cutting, monotonous, baby talk, nasalization and de-nasalization, speech substitution and loud or shrill voices. In order to listen without appearing to be busy-bodies, the members admired numerous hats, shoes and dresses.

After walking down the street and back getting their ears full, they ended the meeting over "cokes" discussing ways to correct the speech faults they had heard.

## DR. KEHR IS FETED AT SURPRISE PARTY

Dr. Marguerite Kehr was very pleasantly surprised last Sunday evening, March 28, when the dormitory girls staged a birthday party in her honor.

#### Sings

The girls very quietly came down the fire towers from third and fourth floors, and then came down the two corridors singing "Happy Birthday." Dr. Kehr came out to the group and heartily thanked them. She said, "I am so surprised, I'm just speechless."

#### Group Gives Gift

Sara Hottenstein thanked her for all her work for the girls and then presented to her a silver bracelet and pin from the dormitory.

The group sang college songs and then ginger ale and chocolate cup cakes were served.

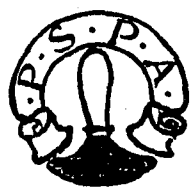
## KULIK AND McBRIDE SPEAK

The Science Club met for its regular meeting in the Social Rooms of Science Hall at three o'clock Thursday, March 25.

The program of the afternoon consisted of two reports: "The Life of George Washington Carver" presented by Henry Kulik and "The Modern Homes" presented by Eugene McBride.

Sam Mazzeo, and Richard Shearer. Miss Comuntzis will serve as Vice-President and Mr. Gula will take the office of Boy Representative.

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## Editorially

Il sera une partie dans le vieille gymnaste, le trois d'avril, 1943, de 7:30-10:30. Le comite social a travaille beaucoup pour faire ceci un vrai succes social. Tont le monde est invite. Tont le monde va y etre. Je vous verrai a la partie le soir Samedi.

Sonna na Grande Festa in la old gymnasium Aprile 3, 1943, alla 7:30-10:30 P. M. La Sociale Committa ai fattiatu a sia per fia questa festa nu successa. Tutta e imbittata. Jio si vista tu a Sabatto sera!

Na Sobotu Aprila 3, 1943, u Stary Gymnasium od 7:30 do 10:30 P. M. mi budeme mat velky cas. Vsetki ludia su povolani. Nas kamaradki robili den a noc lem pre nas. Idez ti? Ja ti budem hladat na Sobatu. Pridte vsetki!

Hay yendo estar una partida grande en el gimnasio antiguo, tercero de abril, mil novecientos cuarenta y tres, de siete y medio a deis y medio. El comision social tiene traba-jando duro hacer esta una verda-dera sucesu social. Todos del mundo es convidando. Todos del mundo es yendo estar alla. Usted vi a la partida en noche sabado.

Uf da drid Abril hen meir en grosse stiedt im auld gymnasium frum halva auchta bis halva elfa. De committee hud had schafed fa des en success zu macha. Alla-ebur es iggalate. Alla-ebur es um arrangements macha fa dat zu sie. Will huffa us ich dich seine on Somchdag ovut.

There is going to be a huge party in the Old Gymnasium, April 3, 1943, from 7:30 to 10:30 P. M. The Social Committee has worked hard to make



By PARRY

If you don't know the name of a Texan Christian University student coed, call her "Jean" and you have a pretty fair chance of being correct. Nearly 9 per cent of the girls on the TCU campus are named Jean, Jeane, Jeanne or Gene. Ten most popular names among the TCU coeds are Ann, Betty, Ellen, Frances, Helen, Lucille, Jean, Ruth, Mary and Margaret.

Mr. Jones (to his Physics class): "If you don't keep your hands in the right places you'll probably get shocked." —The Collegio.

And now women will be talking like Wall Street brokers. One will say to another, "Well, I see canned beans are up three points this morning." —The Collegio.

Radio monitors have picked up a report that Italy's schools of higher learning will close for good on April 30. All students will be drafted for Army duty or farm work.

The human brain is a wonderful organ. It starts working as soon as we awake in the morning, and never stops 'till we get to school. —The Labetta.

Phyllis: "Hey, your engine's smoking."

Sam: "Well, it's old enough." —Central Luminary.

## THIRD MOTHERS' WEEK-END

Parents of Waller Hall girls were guests at the third annual Mothers' and Fathers' week-end on March 27 and 28.

Each mother was presented with an attractive souvenir program prepared by Pauline Garey and Jean Dickinson.

On Saturday afternoon the guests were present at the Naval Officer review. Saturday evening entertainment was under the direction of Sara Marie Dockey. The program took place in the auditorium. The president of Waller Hall, Ruth Ebright, welcomed the guests. Piano selections by Jane Rutledge, a reading by Eudora Berlew, "Shortnin' Bread" sung by Anita Behler and Wanda Farnsworth accompanied by Helen Behler, were followed by the play, "I Knew George Washington."

Afterwards the girls and their guests went to Science Hall for games and refreshments.

Mothers and fathers were guests of the college for Sunday dinner. Arrangements were made by Betty Lebengood and Martha Duck.

The weekly after-dinner "sing," sponsored by the Student Christian Association, was held in the lobby following dinner.

Hostesses Helen Miller and Elaine Kreischer were in charge of Open House in the dormitory from 2-4 P. M., while tea was served in the main lobby under the direction of Miss Bertha Rich with Anne Sabol as student hostess.

this a real success. Everyone is invited. Everyone is going to be there. I'll see you at the party Saturday night.

## LIBRARY NOTES

Here are more of our worthwhile library books.

## Mediterranean

By Ludwig

A saga of the sea as only Emily Ludwig can portray it. It chronicles the history of all the people whose lives have been connected with the Mediterranean, from the Phoenicians to the Spaniards and Greeks of 1939.

## Brazil Under Vargas

By Loewenstein

Professor Loewenstein, a specialist in constitutional law, describes the Vargas government as authoritarian rather than totalitarian, a fairly well-liked regime personnel adapted to a tolerant social tradition. His book provides us with the first thorough technical study of the political, legal and administrative set-up of our newest ally.

## Day Must Dawn

By Turnbull

A tale of Revolutionary days in a small western Pennsylvania town. The chief characters are Sam Murray and his wife, mother, and their adopted son, Huy McConnell and his daughter, Violet. Their experiences and thoughts depicted the pastimes and labors of a frontier community over-shadowed by the constant fear of Indian attacks.

## And Now Tomorrow

By Field

This is a character study of Emily Blair, whose family owned the Blair Mills in a New England town. After a severe illness, Emily was left absolutely deaf. Her long struggle to regain her hearing was successful in the end, but her love affair was not. It was the doctor who restored her hearing who taught Emily the philosophy of "and now tomorrow."

## Byways of Adventure

By Teale

A guide to nature's hobbies. It describes the relaxation and rewards to be gained from different types of nature hobbies, among them bird watching, astronomy, tree study, microscopy, fossil hunting and under-sea observation. Of special interest is the write-up of George J. Keller.

## DORM GIRLS, LISTEN

B. S. T. C. is flying reinforcements to the Marine Corps. Sallie Dockey is going to California. Get the connection? P. S. She is coming back.

Health report for fourth floor: Joy Propst is back. In her generous way she presented her cold to Marjorie Downing so that Marjorie could go home, too. Hurry back Marjorie.

The London fog that hung over fourth floor was only dust. The girls from "heaven" know that the keen eye of a mother can see dust even under a rug.

Remember that certain brown jug we spoke of a week or so ago? Well, there was a blackout, and during that blackout some dirty work occurred. Ah! now there isn't any brown jug. All that remains is a pathetic little heap of brown glass under the window of Elva and Wanda's room. Sad isn't it!

Eudora Berlew can't sleep but she can't blame it on her roommate. People are inferring that its transportation difficulties. I don't get it but maybe you will.

## Poetry

## MAN'S JOURNEY

I wearily trudged up the long, steep hill,  
Picked my way over obstacles great and small,  
Parted a path through the grasses tall,  
And finally reached the crest; with a thrill

Viewed the panorama of valley below;  
The fleecy clouds littered the sky at their play,  
The sparkling silver river wound on its way,  
Spread out far beneath in the sun's golden glow.

Likewise man plods on—and on his way,  
Picks his path through obstacles great and small,  
Ever following his talent's call  
And finally comes to the crest but nay—  
Gets no thrill, his enjoyment he himself has leeches,  
For, he cannot realize that his goal has been reached.

Dawn Eshleman.

## "HELP WIN THE WAR WITH THE MONEY YOU SAVE"

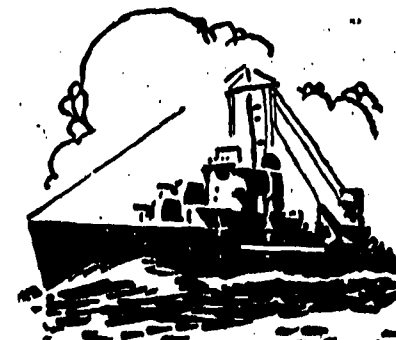
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Read next week's issue and see what War Stamps and Bonds buy for the U. S. Marines.



Destroyers are the "Greyhounds of the Sea." Unarmored, these sleek, deadly ships depend upon their speed to protect them from enemy fire. Besides their guns, they carry torpedoes and depth charges. Modern destroyers burn oil and 50 cents, the price of two 25-cent War Stamps, will pay for enough fuel to drive a destroyer one mile.



Maybe you can't be aboard a destroyer when it bears down on a U-boat, but you can have the satisfaction of knowing that the money you loan Uncle Sam through the purchase of War Stamps may be providing the fuel that is turning the ship's propellers. Get in the swing of your Schools At War Program. Buy War Stamps regularly.

U. S. Treasury Department

**TRAVEL WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON THE TROUT**

When Pennsylvania's trout season opens April 15, the streams are expected to be almost as crowded as in previous years. Travel restrictions will not affect the season ahead as much as it will other sports because the anglers are fortunate in having good fishing waters nearby.

The State Department of Commerce has stated that interest has not diminished in fishing this year, judging from the requests for the Department's "Fishing Accommodations" booklet.

**Waters Normal**

Fishing experts have indicated that the waters will be normal by opening day. However, there is some snow still in the mountains, and this may raise them slightly. The mountain streams are likely to be clear whereas the waters on the level may be muddy, brought about by the fact that much silt will be carried down from the highlands as the snow disappears.

**Litwhiler's Bat is Noisy at Hershey**

**Philadelphia Outfielder Has Been Pounding Ball; Former Husky Looks Promising**

Danny Litwhiler has been hammering the fences of Hershey Park with such a degree of consistency that the former Husky seems certain to have his best season this summer.

Litwhiler has been lining the ball of late, not just occasionally but often. The Phillies have had no intrasquad games as yet, but in every practice thus far "Dangerous Dan" has been socking the apple on the nose.

**Idea is Absurd**

In an interview with writers the second day of training, Litwhiler remarked that any thought about National League pitchers finding his weak spot was silly. "Don't you believe it," Danny said. When reminded that he had gone thirteen times in a row at one stage last year without getting a hit, Litwhiler said it was just one of those things. He then pointed out his September batting average of better than .300. Fans will remember from the past that hitters fall off more in the last month of the season than in any other time.

**In Left Field**

Manager Bucky Harris has declared that Litwhiler will again patrol left field this season. Last year the Ringtown slugger covered the right pasture in about 40 games. Fielding records usually remain in the background, but the fact still remains that Litwhiler holds the best fielding mark in the majors. He had a perfect fielding record last summer when he played the entire Philadelphia schedule of 151 games without a miscue.

**Phillies are Snappy**

The Phillies under the new ownership, headed by Bill Cox, and with a new manager in the person of Harris, are being moulded into one of the snappiest teams in the National League. Numerous trades have been made, and with a few more Philadelphia should have something else in the senior circuit this year besides a floor mat.

Usually weak at the plate, Harris expects to have a better hitting team this campaign led by Litwhiler and aided by Babe Dahlgren, Ron Northey, and other players who will come via the trade route.

**Sports Diary**

BY MILLARD LUDWIG

The baseball bug has hit Dr. Nelson, popular director of athletics, and he has issued a call for candidates for the college nine. Nelson had indicated earlier this spring that tilts with nearby teams might be scheduled. The warm weather last Friday brought out some of the boys and more were expected to report this week. The initial practice consisted of limbering up and the issuing of uniforms. Because of war time problems, nothing is definite regarding a schedule, but Coach Nelson is seeing to it that his outfit is ready.

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Too many colleges are throwing in the towel before the situation is thoroughly examined. Bloomsburg is one of the few schools that has canceled no games as a result of the lack of manpower or other similar items. Despite the fact that many times there were only a handful of boys in the school, the coaches and players were willing to continue. This has chalked up a mark on the credit of the athletic department.

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Another college comparatively smaller than B. S. T. C. is Elizabethtown College, which has never had more than about 50 boys from which to pick. This school has met the Husky soccer eleven on five occasions, and lost all but one. However, Elizabethtown has a percentage of nearly .500 over the past three years in soccer, basketball and baseball. Bloomsburg is one of the small number to hold an 80 per cent average over the liberal arts institution. Elizabethtown has shown larger schools that the lack of material is not a good reason for storing away the equipment.

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Walter McCloskey, one of the best all-round athletes here during the last ten years, is expected to enter the Navy this summer as a physical instructor. "Whitey," as he is known to Bloomsburgers, has been an outstanding athlete during his four years here in football as a quarterback, basketball as guard, and pitcher and outfielder on the baseball team. In addition he served as an aid to the coaches of several Junior varsity aggregations. Bloomsburg's loss will be the Navy's gain.

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Putting the sports shot here and there . . . Lloyd Lux, coach of football, basketball and track at West Chester, has joined the Navy at Chapel Hill, North Carolina . . . Lux has been commissioned a Lieutenant . . . The Penn Relays, despite the war time situation, will be held in Philadelphia, April 23-24 . . . A year ago George Buchheit took a band of trackmen to the relays, and the boys gave a good account of themselves in the Teachers' College Relays and the College Class Relay.

**One of Ours**

Lieutenant Paul H. Kellogg, of the U. S. Marine Air Corps, has arrived on the west coast, U. S. A., where he is recovering from injuries received while on combat duty at Guadalcanal, last December.

Lieut. Kellogg enlisted in the U. S. Navy, September 15, 1941, during his second semester as a Senior at the Bloomsburg State Teachers College. He received his commission as a pilot and was one of ten members of his unit transferred to the Marine Air Corps and went to the Southwest Pacific last October, where he and his bomber crew saw considerable active service. In a telephone conversation with his father here on Friday night, he stated he received severe burns on his right side and right arm, but is recovering and hopes to rejoin his unit within a few months.

Lieut. Kellogg is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kellogg, of Wyalusing.

**SPORTS BRIEFS**

College wrestling has increased to such an extent that a crowd of 5,000 is nothing out of the ordinary. The grappling sport among the colleges is so different from the "anything goes," professional type.

Old time baseball fans wouldn't be surprised this year if the old type low scoring game comes back into existence. They think because of the "dead ball" the bunt, chop-hitter, and steal will return to the forefront.

Big League coaches say that the best time to school a youngster in the art of baseball is at the age of fourteen.

Bad eyesight is one of the greatest hinderances in the field of sports. Yet baseball players like Dom DiMaggio and Paul Waner have established themselves as stars in the majors. DiMaggio was reported blind in one eye. Waner could never read the signs on the outfield wall, yet he became one of the greatest hitters in baseball.

Professional footracing was once a popular sport in America, but its presence was short-lived. It was replaced by track and field, a relatively new sport in comparison with others.

"Better a hundred times an honest and capable administration of an erroneous policy than a corrupt and incapable administration of a good one." E. J. Phelps.

"If time is precious, no book that will not improve by repeated readings deserves to be read at all." Goethe.

**YESTER-YEAR**

The sun is shining brightly and we can see couples of three strolling around the campus. The breeze blows full skirts into unruly folds as sheepish coeds try hard to keep their eyes from wandering to the athletic forms of fellows boldly walking across the lawn and loitering near yonder tree.

What! Well if one of those lawless scoundrels isn't Jackie Siko. They had picked out the right tree, too, because Fanny Widderbottom and her escorts have to pass that way to Chapel.

Siko knowing the male escort of the three, gives him a meaningful wink and he casually lingers outside the building a few minutes.

"Say, Tiny, if you don't soon arrange an introduction for me, I'll let the dean hear a rumor about your going down town in the last study period; and remember Tuesday night you came down on second floor without permission!"

Tiny: "Gee, Jackie, you know we can't talk together with the girls in the halls; and besides, I was down town to buy you 'soda' the other night."

Siko: "Well, I'll have the written document of privileges and you be in the lobby or else—"

Dean Percival Tooters taps his foot impatiently as Tiny Hopplesteen, Fanny Widderbottom, and a necessary third accomplice, Jennie Gigglesworth, wait for Jackie Siko to make his debut for the formal introduction. Alas! He hurries in with one crop of hair stubbornly flipping back over one eye as he tries vainly to keep it in place.

The introduction over, Dean Percival looses no time in ordering them off to their rooms.

Percival: "You four couples now have permission to go to the lecture tomorrow night; but return to your rooms immediately after the program. (Smiling broadly) I'll be in the halls just to see that you girls aren't frightened to come to your rooms alone. Disperse!"

Jennie: "Sure thing, it isn't every girl that comes near holding hands in lecture with a beau. Anyway, you two have been playing 'Eye Language' for three weeks now."

Fanny: "Hush up! Turn out those lights, the dean's coming. (Under-tone) Jenny, did you fill the water pitchers?"

The water pitchers will be forgotten when the coeds have their first big social affair in next week's Yesteryear.

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## Case History of Student Teaching

Here is a discussion of a time-honored custom at B. S. T. C.—Student Teaching.

Each morning we find Seniors racing down to the high schools to give out with what they have taken in during the past three years. In our wandering about the campus we unearthed Imogene X., who represents for us a typical student teacher.

Of course, it wouldn't be putting down all the facts if we didn't start with Imogene getting up from her luxurious, Simmon's "Beautyrest" bed, ambling slowly to her private bathroom, taking a thirty-minute shower in two flat, and slowly running back to her room to dress.

In the record time of a half hour, we find Imogene coming downstairs dressed in that new outfit. Then into the dining room for a slow swallow of rationed coffee, and she's happily on her way with that "I know it all" buoyancy. In no time at all she arrives at the high school. She enters, head raised high, shoulders straight—right up the steps, through the door, and into the high school corridor to be greeted by that very familiar two-tone whistle from a group of boys at the end of the hall. Paying little attention, she enters with that Ipana smile into the principal's office. After the usual introductions, Imogene finds her way to the classroom to meet her instructor. To her surprise, he gives her a big smile and tells her to take the last seat in the first row, and that's all there is to it. You listen to him until the bell rings. At least that's all that Imogene does for several periods.

But wait! The next week he asks Imogene to take over the remaining part of the class period. So after a dozen gulps, Imogene wobbles up front, smiles, and nearly faints dead away. She addresses the pupils, "Purn to tage 187." After a few minutes, Imogene regains her consciousness and asks the first row to go to the board and work out problem eight. Since neither she nor the students can work it out, she smiles and assigns it for homework telling them to, "Erase your seats, and take the board." Gong. Imogene is saved by the bell. And here we leave Imogene to wander around the campus some more and interview more of the Seniors.

Those interviewed showed some definite symptoms of maladjustment, others answered with a dead voice and glum smirk, others rather hesitatingly with their tongue in their cheek, and a few, I must confess, refused to be quoted which I feel is for the best as far as the tender souls of our readers are concerned.

Those whose teaching is already finished were the most optimistic, all confessing that while it's hard work it, as Peggy Lambert says, "Gives ease and confidence in meeting the pupils in the classroom."

Sara Wagner sums it up very nicely, "Student teaching is a rather novel experience—you will understand what I mean when thirty pairs of eyes gaze at you with a different expression on each face; you can almost read their decision, 'No, she isn't from the zoo!' Talking about preparation—Is one fully prepared? Thank goodness I can say, 'NO!' Wouldn't life be dull if we were 'fully prepared' for it? To me that is the most interesting part of living—learning something new every day. Frankly, I can only tell those of you

who expect to teach sometime that along with cramming your heads with subject matter, it might not be a bad idea to develop powers of observation, sympathy for your fellow men, and incidentally, can you laugh at yourself?"

Next along the line of our present student teachers we find Bill Barton who likes it very much, and covers it all with this remark, "It makes you appreciate the preparation that you put into it." Bill has the luck to have his neighbor as his training teacher. For some direct quotations—

"It's swell!" says Rosy Reilly.

"I have found out that it is difficult to teach in your own home town." Sara Jane Eastman.

"Student teaching! Yes, it is not until this time that one actually realizes what problems he will have to deal with in his future profession."

Marjorie Coombs.

"Most of my training teachers are not too old to remember the struggles

they had in student teaching and so have been very sympathetic and I like high school students. They are at an age where you can mold them into almost anything. They like arguments and they want to discuss and debate whether they know anything or not. Another thing I like is their vitality and ready sense of humor which breaks the ice and makes the classroom interesting."

Jean Kuster.

"I prefer teaching French to Latin. Some days I don't even feel like walking to the high school—maybe I have spring-fever. I do like my students a lot. But I'll be so glad the day I can step into my own classroom and take complete charge."

Betty Bierman.

"After a number of weeks of student teaching, I still deplore the amount of time needed for preparation, but for me enjoyment of the actual classroom teaching and a liking for my students make up for all the hard work."

Joyce Lohr.

"Student teaching? Sometimes I love it, other times I hate it, and most of the time—I just don't care."

Josefina E. Valladares.

"Teaching. I like it very much. It is hard work—the planning and the preparation—but it is satisfying and it is fun."

Irene Kulik.

"There are times when my opinion of student teaching wouldn't dare be written in the Maroon and Gold, but other times I like it very much. I realize how necessary this teaching is, but even so, I hope the real thing is better or I'm afraid I'll wonder what I'm doing in the profession."

R. M. H.

"If you want to preserve your sense of humor be a teacher, even a lowly student teacher. We like to hear ourselves talk which adds to the pleasure of student teaching."

Betty Katerman.

"While you're going through student teaching there doesn't seem to be very much pleasure connected with it, for you always have something to worry you. When one lesson is over, you begin to worry about the next and so on."

Tony Valente.

Let's take a jaunt to some of the elementaries.

Ruth Sluman likes teaching over a two-year period, while Hessie would rather do all her teaching in one semester. Sluman also feels that while you're student teaching you should not have college classes and should command more respect from the pupils.

Mary Trump likes the things that go with it, such as parties in the kindergarten and the milk period.

One short dark-haired lass from Mt. Carmel doesn't like the recess period when she plays cowboy and Indians and consequently gets her shoes all muddy.

Several rather blurry-eyed individuals wished to be quoted on the fact that they love all the funny little figures they see in the wee small hours of the night while making lesson plans. Ah, lesson plans, there's the rub! The less said about those the better. One very rugged individual from Berwick feels that it is bad on the nerves and doesn't allow enough time for social recreation for, after all, we must keep up our contacts. The Navy, you know.

## LIFE WITH UNCLE

By B. W. KANE

### Now That Spring is Here

Sgt. Elwood H. Beaver.

Since I enlisted last July, I've seen the extremes of the country in climatic conditions. First I was in Kessler Field, Mississippi, for two weeks after I spent two days at New Cumberland. Then I went to Lowry Field at Denver, Colorado, for nine weeks. And if you ever have a chance to see the Rocky Mountains, don't miss it. Words can't portray the breath-taking beauty of them, especially just at sunrise or sunset.

And now I'm in Maine—frozen for the duration according to all indications at present. The temperature on the first day of spring was only about 25 degrees above zero. We still have more snow and ice around than can be melted before it's time to plant potatoes. The potato crop is a major source of income for this section. Presque Isle isn't as big as Catawissa, and they have the nerve to call it a city.

Right now I have the type of work that I wanted to do when I came into the Army, but for which the Army wouldn't train me. First I was classified at Kessler Field to go to Code and Cryptography school. Then I received a letter telling me I would go to Radio school. And then five days after that, they suddenly needed two or three hundred men to send to Lowry.

When our group of twenty-five men first came here, we knew we were out of place for there is definitely no work to do of the type for which we were trained. But I, the only lucky one of the bunch, have found a job, and I like it. I am working in the Engineering office, doing some work for the Base and Wing Engineering officer on the side. Engineering in the Air Corps by the way is nothing more than maintenance of aircraft.

I've found the Army worthwhile; I'm sure all of the fellows do. But we all look forward to the day of victory and winning the peace.

This year finds among our student teachers many of those who have switched over to the three-year plan, and much to their surprise they find that it is not as hard as they expected. In fact, Helen Kotch says, "I'd advise others to take the three-year plan."

To draw this to a conclusion, student teaching is something you think you will never be able to do and when you finish you wonder how you have done it. And to think—I shall have to go through all this next year—what joy! What happiness!

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