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Change in Calendar By Request of O.D.T.

The Office of Defense Transportation has requested the Colleges of Pennsylvania, through the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to cancel or reduce Easter Vacations to a minimum so as to avoid travel tie-ups. After due consideration of the best interests of the College, the Navy V-12 Unit change in calendar is herewith announced:

College:—

1. Classes for the term beginning in November will be concluded on February 28.

2. Official registration for Spring Term will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m. on March 1. Fees will be payable until 5:00 p.m. March 1, after which time late enrollment fee will be charged.

Students may pay fees and by showing certificate of registration may secure class schedules in advance of March 1, at the Office of the Dean of Instruction, on the following schedule:—

Monday, February 26—1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 27—9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 28—9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

3. Freshmen and other entering students will be enrolled Monday afternoon, March 5, 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

4. Classes for Spring Term will begin Tuesday morning, March 6, 7:50 a.m.

5. THERE WILL BE NO EASTER RECESS.

Spring Recess Begins — Thursday, March 1—5:00 p.m.

Ends — Tuesday, March 6—7:50 a.m.

6. There will be no classes for Teachers-in-Service Saturday, March 3.

7. Spring Term will end with commencement and Alumni Day to be held on June 23.

Science Club Elects Officers in Meeting

The Science Club held a party during the regular meeting hour on Thursday, February 15. Games, dancing, and refreshments were enjoyed.

The last meeting of the trimester will be held on February 22 at which time new officers for the trimester will be elected.

Arlene Superko, Club President, will graduate the twenty-sixth of this month.

A basket of fruit was recently sent to Eltheda Klingorman, a club member who was in the Bloomsburg Hospital.

Kappa Delta Pi Hears News Events

Kappa Delta Pi met Thursday, February 15 at 7:30 in the Social rooms of Science Hall. Following a short business meeting, a program on current events arranged by Athamantia Comuntzis and Jacqueling Shaffer was presented.

Jean Dickinson and Mary Schroeder presented the pros and cons of compulsory military training after the war, a problem which is uppermost in the minds of all Americans today.

Kathleen Hiss discussed the nine points decided upon at the Big Three Conference.

Picture puzzles of prominent personalities in the news were assembled by the members. The club was divided into two teams which answered questions about the position of their puzzle subject in world affairs today.

The meeting was adjourned after the serving of ice cream and pretzels.

Song Contest Results

The award of first place in the art song group was given the song "All These Things You Gave Me" entered under the fictitious name of Ida Belle Firestone, composed by Eva Bourgeois and Peggy Beach. Althea Parsell, accompanied by Howard Fenstermaker, sang it for the assembly.

The award of first place in the popular song group was given the song "The More I Do", entered under the fictitious names of Frank Sinatra and Andy Russell. Saul Mairaschin composed the words and the tune. The song was arranged by Carl MacPherson and sung by Irving Feldsott.

Canteen, Great Success

Almost every member of the college community has visited the most popular spot on the campus, the Canteen, to satisfy his hunger or thirst.

The canteen was opened in the latter part of July by Arlene Superko with the assistance of Dr. Nell Maupin and President Andruss. Although it was organized by the senior class which receives the profits, the Canteen belongs to all. Everyone works cooperatively for the success of this establishment.

The funds this year will be contributed to the college yearbook and to a memorial honor roll in commemoration of all students who are serving our country.

At Christmas time a new linoleum was added to brighten up the small room. This cannot be called a Christmas present because it was purchased from the profits of the Canteen.

The success of this senior project is the direct result of the cooperation of the upper classmen received when they asked for volunteers to work between classes.

Compulsory Military Training Confronts Educational World

Outstanding Facts For and Against Such A Post War Program

PRO

"To be prepared for war is one of the ways of preserving peace A free people ought not only to be armed but disciplined." — These two sentences, voiced by George Washington, summarize the two basic arguments for military training in time of peace. He introduced a bill for universal military training, but it was defeated in favor of the militia system—and that defeat has cost the United States many thousands of lives and many billions of dollars.

Potential War Source Great

"The old Utopian argument, that a great nation which is truly peaceful need fear no aggression, has been shattered forever. Everyone knows that for a long time to come there will be many potential sources of war and any war may eventually involve any nation.

"It is sometimes argued that the possession of military makes nations militaristic and must lead them into war. The truth is quite otherwise. Lack of it led us into the war with the Barbary States and with Great Britain in the early years of the nineteenth century. Our lack of it enabled Germany to defy us in the first World War and to disregard us when preparing for this one.

"But possession of power does not necessarily lead to war. For more than 60 years the French Republic had a powerful army based on two years of universal military training—and never once committed aggression against her neighbors. For nearly 20 years Russia was developing the mighty armies which saved us from defeat by securing us time to organize the forces we ought to have had to begin with—and never once made an aggressive move against anyone.

Preparedness Might Prevent War

"If we had retained a proper minimum of military power after the first World War and had maintained it by universal training for young men, it is not conceivable that either Germany or Japan could have begun the murderous career that set the world on fire. Universal service for our young men is the best and cheapest way of repairing our historical mistake, the best way of defending ourselves against war and forbidding other nations to wage it.

Benefits of Program

"Universal military training is a bulwark of democracy. It will prove incidental benefits of a different but almost equally valuable kind:

(1) Health—Work and exercise supervised by experts, systematic phys-

ical hardening, life in the open air, correction of defects, medical and dental supervision, the inculcation of habits of cleanliness and hygiene—these will become universal.

(2) Education—Half year to "basic training" and one half year of military specialties and technical and standard academic subjects. The principal benefits for the prospective college student will be the greater emotional and intellectual maturity produced by military life.

"Military training subjects everyone to a common discipline, regardless of birth, wealth, and past or future life opportunity. The young man emerges from it with a greater self-knowledge and selfmastery than he had before. He has had an experience of cooperation that will serve him well through the rest of his life, no matter what kind of life he leads.

Here is a new kind of melting pot. This democratic leavening is one moral good which has brought us.

Universal training is not a social panacea. It will not bring Utopia in; it is not a cure for anything that ails our society. But it will make our young men stronger, healthier, more disciplined, more selfreliant, more adaptable. It will make them more effective individuals and better citizens . . . and at the same time it will provide the only realistic security for peace.

CONS

"Compulsory military training is not a means of preventing war. If actions speak louder than words, the advocates of it know that it will not stand examination by the common sense of the American people. If their proposal is sensible and right why are they hurrying to push it through Congress quickly before we can think about it and before our fighting men come home?

"The advocates of this method say that strong military power can keep peace "by preventing aggression," let us say in plain words what everyone knows; Nothing but a threat of war can prevent any war-making government from waging war. Nothing but war can stop a war.

Propose to Make U. S. Stronger

"Their proposal is this, 'Make these United States a strong military power always so ready to fight that it can bully the whole world and prevent war merely by threatening to make war in the hope that no other strong power will ever call the bluff.' They add; 'of course, an American representing whatever Administration may

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Editorially

Are you aware that a tremendous fire hazard exists in our College community? Fire means danger in itself unless properly controlled. What would a fire in B.S.T.C. mean?

Our college buildings for the most part have been in existence many many years. Perhaps the oldest date as far back as 1869. Yet all these buildings are in use and may continue to be used for years to come.

Each structure represents a huge amount of money. Add to this the cost of furnishings, constant repair and upkeep. Consider the people employed here. Think of the many students housed in the dormitory—have you ever really taken into consideration all the cost that would be involved in case of a fire?

We now realize that there are no "ifs" and "ands" about this cigarette shortage—and very few "butts"—and yet, were the causes of these fire scares to be traced they would, without a doubt, end at the still smoking remains of a cigarette.

It might be that we have some "fire bugs" in our midst. There are such things. But there are careless people, too—people who care little about themselves and less about others.

Everyone excepting the now famous "moron", knows that paper takes to fire as a duck takes to water and still college students toss burning cigarettes into waste baskets. Why?

Everyone knows, or should hastily make themselves acquainted with the fact, that smoking rooms have been made available to all college students, and still college students insist upon smoking in the old gym, in Noetling Hall and other buildings that have echoed the noises of many generations. Why?

If you are one of these people, you are holding destruction in your hand. If you slip a lighted cigarette into the wastebasket you are tossing a "monkey wrench" into machinery that has been years in the making to run smoothly. If you have smoked in the Old Gym or Noetling Hall you are guilty of tampering with the very foundation of our alma mater.

If . . . if, someday, you stand and stare at smoldering embers of a once proud institution, if you gaze at death in its charred remains, you will know the fire hazard that confronts our college community now.

You will know the power of a single cigarette. And there will be no "butts" about that!

If you see someone handle a cigarette carelessly don't say "Oh well" and let it pass by. When the fire is hungry and the timber is aged, the flame needs not to be fanned. It will easily lick its way beyond your control and you, too, will stand with the guilty.

Don't wait until it's too late. Make sure that cigarette is out. If you want to "let up and light up" head for the smoking room. It is your privilege and it is your duty.

Who knows . . . perhaps someday, someone will stand in these halls amazed and say "Just think this building is one hundred fifty years old today."

Ray Team

"How about some pep in this school?" say the B.S.T.C. cheer leaders: Rosanna Broadt, Martha Donahue, Marilyn Lebowick, Jeanne DuBois, Baaron Pittenger, George Pittenger, Mallerstein, John Opalka, and Bob Strauss.

The team needs a strong school spirit backing them. Let's Yell! Yell at every game. Yell for the team!

Here's a good yell which needs a little practice:

Boom Rah Ha Ha
 Boom Rah Ha Ha
 Hoo Rah, Hoo Rah
 B - S - T - C

Fight, Fight, Fight!

The cheer leaders have a show within a show when Johnny Opalka takes the floor. He races up and down the gym wearing out the floor and his navy issue "pup tents". He's something short of a whirling dervish and a true example of vitamin B.

Compulsory Military Training

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be in Washington must have the power to use American conscripts anywhere on earth, quickly "to stop aggression" without consulting our representatives in Congress.

"Even this proposal assumes, mistakenly or falsely, that permanent, universal, compulsory military service makes a strong military power. on its own record, it destroys a strong military power,

Attention Ouija Board Fans!!!

B.S.T.C. seems to be breaking out into another Ouija board epidemic. It's that eternal search for knowledge about things we don't know about and nine times out of ten we should not know.

There is something creepy about the pesky things though and it has bothered me enough to start me on a hunt for a scientific solution.

My Ouija board research led me to a pile of old magazines and there I found an article that explains the whole thing scientifically.

The article stated that during World War I, the Ouija board was very popular. Vaudeville even had a song about it called "Ouija Won't You Tell Me Why?"

Dr. Robert S. Woodworth a psychology professor at Columbia U. says "It's a typical manifestation of war-time anxiety. Behind the impulse to seek information from an 'occult' device, even as a pastime, is the deep rooted anxieties of thousands of men and women of all ages, worried over loved ones."

This is how Woodworth explains the movement of that capricious little indicator. "The indicator moves as the result of muscular tension in the arms and hands of the two people who operate it. Once set in motion, the indicator travels about the board until a shift of balance stops it at a letter. From then on the expectancy of one or both players to get a certain answer will determine the word spelled out"

So there it is—cold and scientific. You can throw your silly Ouija board away. It hasn't got an ounce of magic power. Only a wishy-washy would cling to such things. Haven't you got any pride? What about my Ouija board? Oh, I'm going to keep it for scientific study, and incidentally there are a few things I would like to know.

—Wishy Washy

Permanent Conscription Weakens

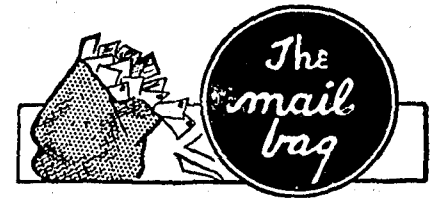
"This plan has been used in France ever since 1797. It exhausted France causing Napoleon's downfall and the French have never had military strength enough to win another war. The Prussians adopted permanent conscription from Napoleon. Prussia became the strongest Continental Power in Europe. Within eight years (1863-1871) Prussia won three great wars and founded modern Germany. The Germans have had compulsory military training ever since and never won another war.

Many Europeans flocked to the United States to escape compulsory military service.

Our country is the strongest military power on earth.

As Stalin said at Teheran, Capitalist production is winning this war! Today and in the future, the strongest military power is the people having the greatest productive energy. That energy is man power. Can any sensible person believe that a steady peacetime drain of millions of manpower years of that young energy, every year, from American industry into army camps, will not reduce America's productive energy and check the industrial progress which, alone,

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Three Oberlin Approaches

Pessimist: "You girls wouldn't care to go with me, would you?"

Optimist: "Would you girls care to go with us?"

Sailor: "Hello, girls, where are we going?"

(P.S. It gets results).

—Oberlin Review

Congratulations

The **Cheyney Record**, student publication at Cheyney State Teachers College recently won the first award in the 1944 Pennsylvania School Press Association annual contest. It received first place among the teacher's college publications.

First Uniforms

Storekeeper. Any complaints about your clothes?

Jason: My trousers aren't right.

Storekeeper: I see nothing wrong with them.

Jason: Maybe so. But they're chafing me under the arms.

—The Think Tank

Women's G. I. Bill

Educational opportunities for the women war veterans are offered at New Jersey College for Women in a special program made available by the "G. I. Bill of Rights". They have prepared courses leading to a bachelor degree and also several one-year programs for returning women veterans.

A.C.P. Feature Service

Now Hear This!

When Dr. Holmes asked Joe Garnick to define nitrates, Joe bounced back with this one, "All I Know is they're cheaper than day rates."

You Can't Hang Clothes On It

Fast V-12: What's that gurgling noise?

Slow Gal: It's me, trying to swallow your line. —The Think Tank

"A Can a Minute"

The Tin Can Salvage Drive got off to a flying start at Windber High School. For every tin can a student brought, he would be dismissed from school for one minute. It also was expected that a free movie matinee be had for all those turning in at least sixty cans. (I bet the ash dump is cleaned out by now.)

—Windber Hi-Times

Overheard at Senior Ball

I wish I were a kangaroo
 Despite his funny stances:
 I'd have a place to put the junk
 My girl brings to the dances.

—The Keystoneian

V-12 Alumni News

Donald O'Connor who spent some time here at Bloomsburg last year is now engaged to Laura Mae Lush from Indiana State Teachers College. "Irish" formerly attended Indiana before coming here under the V-12 program.

—Indiana Penn

Adios Amiga

Roses are red,
 Violets are blue;
 Put down that tomato
 This column (?) is thru.

—Indiana Penn

4th Quarter Drive Subdues Big Red

Huskies Snap Two-decade Jinx On E. Stroudsburg Floor In 51-38 Victory

The fast-moving Huskies recorded another win when they beat a strong Stroudsburg quintet. This triumph was the ninth in a series of twelve contests for the Huskies. The winning of this contest made Bloomsburg victorious over Stroudsburg for the first time in twenty-one years on East Stroud's home court. With this game, the maroon and Gold quintet took undisputed possession of the mythical Teachers colleges team title, for the state of Pennsylvania. Only four teachers colleges placed teams taking both Kutztown and East Stroudsburg twice, while swamping West Chester in a line contest.

Bloom Starts Fast

The Bloom five got off to a fast start by scoring three baskets before Stroudsburg could find the range. The drive displayed by the Huskies failed to shake the "Big Red" who were close on their heels. Offensive play shown by both teams was hitting . . . at the end of the first quarter the Huskies led 14 to 10.

Stroudsburg started the second quarter strongly. Their scoring power began to come to the fore with the aid of Mink and Schmidt, who started hitting the net from fairly well back. The Huskies hung on but they were outscored by Stroud as the quarter ended with 15 for the "Red" and 12 for the Maroon and Gold. At halftime our cagers held a slim one point margin, 26-25.

Coming out for the second half a refreshed Stroud quintet exploded by scoring three baskets with the help of Bernosky before the Huskies could get organized. After calling a time out Bloom settled down, reorganized, and started playing ball. Mariaschin and Remetz, who were well-guarded during the first half began to contribute their share of goals to even things up with Stroudsburg. The end of the third quarter found the scoreboard reading a knotted count, 33-33.

With five minutes of play gone in the last quarter, the score still remained unchanged, 33-33. After another time out the Huskies put on a sparkling game of offensive and defensive play. Retrieving rebounds and converting on their three to one fast breaks helped the score roll. Within five minutes the Huskies went on to score thirteen points while holding Stroud scoreless. As a result the Huskies came out on top with a score of 51-38.

Mariaschin High Scorer

The individual scoring honor goes to Mariaschin with 18 with Mink following him with 17 points. The defensive honors go to Klinefelter, Zurner, and Remetz.

Bloomsburg S. T. C.

| | fg | ft | pts |
|-------------|----|-----|-----|
| Remetz | 3 | 1-5 | 7 |
| Hmelnicky | 7 | 0-0 | 14 |
| Baker | 0 | 0-1 | 0 |
| Zurner | 3 | 0-0 | 6 |
| Mariaschin | 6 | 6-6 | 18 |
| Klinefelter | 2 | 2-2 | 6 |

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In a recent airplane crash which occurred in Flushing Bay, the pilot of the plane with five other crew members was reported missing. The B-29 flyer was Maj. Billy Southworth, Jr., whose father is manager of the St. Louis Cardinals. Bill, one of the early war heroes, was a professional ball player before entering the service. He had participated in many raids and rose in rank rapidly.

Commander Gene Tunney of the U. S. Navy is planning a weekly varied athletic program for men of the Navy at the close of the war. The purpose of his program is to keep our fighting men occupied from the war's end up to the time of their discharge, thus preventing men from going A. W. O. L. as they did in the last war.

In New York City all the metropolitan college basketball teams are being called up before the D.A.'s office just for routine questioning. It seems, the recent scandal started the wheels on the drive against gambling in college sports rolling.

Baseball will be 100 years old next fall. On September 23, 1845, the Knickerbochs appeared in uniform and laid claim to being the first by and laid claim to being the first club organized. Historians say, however, that the game was devised by Abner Doubleday in 1839.

Open House Features Volleyball, Thursdays

Basketball has been the main feature at Open House Thursday evenings. The team standing as they now stand are:

| | Won | Lost | Frft |
|----------|-----|------|------|
| Mainero | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| Veley | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Superko | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Anthony | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| Foust | 1 | 6 | 1 |
| Schlauch | 0 | 5 | 2 |

In addition to basketball, swimming, cageball, badminton and ping pong are some of the sports which attract girls to the gym on Thursday night. After the beginning of the spring trimester volleyball tournaments will be added to the activities.

Stroudsburg S. T. C.

| | | | |
|-------------|---|-----|----|
| Ramano | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Brosins | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |
| Mink | 7 | 3-3 | 17 |
| Linn | 0 | 4-5 | 4 |
| Mallalavage | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Carazo | 0 | 0-1 | 0 |
| Carr | 3 | 0-0 | 6 |
| Bernosky | 3 | 2-6 | 8 |
| Schmidt | 0 | 1-3 | 1 |

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Huskies Defeat Kutztown Teachers In Final Seconds of Game, 45-44

The Huskies beat Kutztown in the last six seconds as Hmelnicky scored the winning point by making a field goal. The victory was the second of the year over Kutztown who already held triumphs over East Stroudsburg and West Chester and were pointing for this contest, so that they could claim the mythical Teachers College court title of the Commonwealth.

When the game began, the Huskies scored two points which put them in the lead. From that point on, the Kutztown team began to get some speed, and it proved to be a menace to our boys. Their power was supreme. The Huskies, not able to score, played a magnificent defensive game during the first quarter. As the quarter ended, Kutztown was ahead 9 to 8.

When the second quarter started, Kutztown still kept up its steady pace by scoring and playing a defensive game. The Bloom quintet then let loose some of its stored energy as Remetz and Mariaschin began to score. Geiss, who was also a thorn in the Maroon and Gold side all evening, started scoring, erasing our lead. Although the Huskies began to score, the offensive power of Kutztown seemed to be domineering. The Kutztown power was too great, as the half ended with the Huskies way behind 27 to 22.

After a rest period before half, the Huskies came out with some fighting spirit that very shortly put us in the game again. It was in this period that the Huskies began to click and began to score, each member of the team contributing his share toward the scoring. It was this period that the Huskies played one of the best defensive games of the entire season. It was in that period that the Huskies outscored Kutztown 14 to 5. In those ten minutes they ran their advantage up to ten points early in the last quarter.

Kutztown Shows Drive

Kutztown started closing the gap. Zurner left the game because of five personals. Bawer coming on to replace him, with six minutes left to

play, and the Huskies leading by five points. Within three minutes the score became tied. It continued until Geiss made a free-throw that put them ahead by one point with two minutes to go. Then the Huskies had possession of the ball and they kept shooting without much success. With the time ticking away, with seconds to play Kutztown got possession of the ball and went down the floor and took a shot without any results. Only fifteen seconds remaining, the ball was recovered from the back board by Klinefelter who passed it to Mariaschin who fed to Hmelnicky enabling him to throw up the shot giving us a one point advantage. With time running out, Kutztown had seconds to shoot, but it failed to go through the hoop, thus giving the Huskies a victory.

Thus the Huskies won the hard way coming from behind and going on to win.

Zurner and Klinefelter for the Maroon and Gold played an exceptionally good defensive ball game. Hmelnicky, Remetz, and Mariaschin were the big guns as the trio scored 38 points among themselves. The high scorer of the night was Geiss who scored 18 points followed by Remetz and Mariaschin who scored thirteen points a piece.

B. S. T. C.

| | g. | f.g. | pts. |
|---------------|----|------|------|
| Remetz f | 6 | 1-4 | 13 |
| Hmelnicky f | 6 | 0-0 | 12 |
| Zurner c | 1 | 1-2 | 3 |
| Baker c | 0 | 0-1 | 0 |
| Mariaschin g | 4 | 5-6 | 13 |
| Klinefelter g | 2 | 0-0 | 4 |
| | 19 | 7-13 | 45 |

K. S. T. C.

| | | | |
|------------|----|-------|----|
| Ludwig g | 4 | 2-5 | 10 |
| Hubitsky f | 2 | 0-0 | 4 |
| Geuss c | 6 | 6-8 | 18 |
| Moll g | 2 | 0-0 | 4 |
| Dwight g | 3 | 2-2 | 8 |
| | 17 | 10-15 | 44 |

Officials: Polter and Goodman.

One Meat Ball

On February 19 at 5:30 the B-Club held its regular monthly meeting in the form of a spaghetti supper in the social rooms of Science Hall.

A short business meeting was held before the supper. The President, Jacqueline Shaffer, announced that the club constitution has been rewritten and will be posted soon. Later the club will vote in regard to the new constitution.

Frances Saunders, chairman of the program committee, gave a report about coming events. These include bowling, roller skating, and a camping trip.

Lapel badges of maroon and gold ribbons with a white B were given to each member. They are to be worn on the days the B-Club has its meetings.

The girls elected three members to serve on the Executive Committee which will be responsible for appointing all other committees needed by the club. The committee members are Helen May Wright, chairman; Julia Welliver, Eve Bourgoels, and, as ex-officia members, the club officers.

Plans were made for the March meeting to be held either the second or fourth Thursday in the Centennial Gym at 5:30. The committee in charge of the supper that night are Peggy Beach, Eva Bourgoels, and Jacqueline Shaffer.

After attending to all the necessary current business items the girls forgot diets, figures, etc., and turned their thoughts to more urgent things, mainly spaghetti and meat balls. And they did get bread with only one meat ball!

LIFE WITH UNCLE

by B. W. Kane

The class of 1945 held its Senior Ball and Banquet while many of its original members were away serving "Uncle Sam" all over the world.

But seemingly conscious of Bloomsburg's contribution to the war, "Sam" favored "45" by permitting Jimmie Lavelle to come home and represent our boys at the traditional senior affair.

Jim, as your probably know, is a second class seaman attached to the Submarine division of USN.

"It's an exciting life with plenty close calls, but we do 'ok'. We have many Jap ships to our credit and we expect to get some of the few she has left."

If you know Jim you've guessed that his short stay at Bloomsburg was given to war talk alone. He spent most of his time spreading the spirit that characterized those Lavelles.

Any man who lived in North Hall in the past fifteen odd years will associate Jack Koch with his other pleasant memories at Bloomsburg. Jack is as much a part of the "dorm" as bull sessions on third floor.

About a year ago Jackie too went off to do his part in the Air Corp; we know you'll be glad to hear how he's doing.

Go ahead Jack.

Pvt. John C. Koch, Jr.:

I've planned to write this for a long time, but I just got around to it.

Have been doing a little traveling for my "Uncle" and B.S.T.C. friends popped up at almost every post.

Down at Keesler Field, Miss. I met Frank "Tink" Haas, whose dad was president of the old school for quite a while.

While in radar school at Truax Field, I saw Jack Gilung. Jack and I had a big reunion and bull session about Bloom and it was a lot of fun. About a week before I left Truax I met Bill Kerchunsky. Bill was one of the best centers Bloom ever had on a ball court. Bill's gang graduated around '40 or '41 so I really had to dig back into my memory to recall some of his gang.

Down here at Chanute Field I saw Jerry Fritz. Jerry is an instructor in teletype maintenance and lives in Champaigne, Illinois. You can see that the really gets around. I just wonder who I'll meet at Boise Raton, Florida. Vince Gilbert, writing from the Southwest Pacific, said to say hello to you.

"OK" X

Cp. Francis X Brennan:

What are you doing? Hope everything is ok: at school, I'm doing

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School and Office Supplies

pretty good, and am having the time of my life. Really grand down here —here's where I could really stay for the whole life of me.

Another Koch

Clem G. Koch, S1/2:

Mail call, one day last week, netted one of the most welcome envelopes I have ever received; a big business job carrying two copies of the "Maroon and Gold", the first I've had since my departure from Bloom in June of '42. Thanks a million.

The only familiar names of students were in your column "Life With Uncle." It surely was good to hear a little about Pag. Chesney, Whitey, Schminkey, Madl, Booth, Washvilla, Davey Jones, Bob Martin, Taxi Miller, and others. Seeing their names in print brought back some fond memories.

My own service record is rather boring. One training school after the other. For a year, I did some duty in Naval Aviation at N.A.S., Norman, Oklahoma; U. of P., Philadelphia; Bowling Green State U.; Bowling Green Ohio, Pre-Flight at Iowa City; then caught in the purge last July.

After that, I studied some aviation ordnance at the N.A.T.T.C., Norman, Oklahoma, some radar operation, too. At present I'm attending the Naval Air Gunners School at Miami.

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can hold our country's peace as the strongest military power on earth?

"The warrior spirit is one thing; the soldier spirit another. The soldier spirit is the degeneration of the warrior. Permanent conscription made soldiers of our enemies. Englishmen and Americans are warriors, free men who when they must, fight for a cause they support, and the truth they know. Our own military system should be and will be modernized and revitalized by the knowledge and realism our sons bring home with them and it should be vigorously maintained by a Congress and a War Department wide awake to our country's constant world responsibility and relying once more upon the energy, the organizing ability, the competitive and co-operative spirit, the sound idealism of a few people.

"If America's warrior spirit is not doped to sleep by lies and suppressed by permanent conscription, Americans will resist tyranny and fight for liberty anywhere on this earth, as willingly as they went to war to free the Cubans 46 years ago.

Regimented Conscription Delusion

So long as tyranny exists, tyrants will make war. There is only one way to make permanent world peace: Restrict every government to the simple duty of protecting the life, liberty, and property of all peaceful persons from the few criminals among them. Permanent world peace cannot follow this war. Too many tyrannies still exist. Too many persons still cherish the delusions that create tyranny. One of these delusions is the belief that a regimented and conscripted people is a strong military power. Another delusion is that a strong military power can keep peace by military force. Freedom makes peace; nothing but freedom and justice on earth can make an enduring world peace. Freedom must be defended so long as tyranny exists, and only free people can defend freedom.

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Informing Facts

Pfc. Sam Cohen—

Cohen's with the 96th A.G.F. Band at Camp Howze, Texas. He is stationed in Texas after spending two years in the Aleutians.

Sgt. Mark Jury—

Sgt. Mark Jury, Md. Sec. S.C.U. 19-26 is doing rehabilitation work in a hospital in California. He and 1st Lt. Stanley B. Katzen met.

Drew Folk—

Sec. Lt. Folk has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational activity against the enemy. Lt. Folk is navigator on a B-24 Liberator Bomber.

James C. Hinckley—

A promotion to the rank of Lt. Colonel has been received by Major Hinckley. Lt. Col. Hinckley has been serving along the Burma road in command of Chinese officers and men.

Spencer Roberts—

Lt. Spencer Roberts is attending the University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado.

Ida Jane Shipe and Joe Madl—

Marriage Feb. 10 in Grace Lutheran Church, Berwick. Joe is with A.T.C. in California.

Robert Joy—

Arrived at Asheville, N.C. Army Ground and Services Redistribution Station to wait assignment to duty.

Wilfred and Royal Conrad—

Took part in D-Day. Have been in Normandy, France, Belgium, and Germany.

Ens. John Whitby—

California.

2nd Lt. Richard Wannemacker—

Florida Air Corps, Campus Visitor.

Pvt. Ruth Boone—

W.A.C., A.T.C., Palm Springs, California. Recent visitor.

Pvt. Isaiah Bomboy—

Assistant Chaplain at Camp Croft, S. C.

Maj. Gen. Idwal H. Edward—

Deputy Commander U. S. Army Air Forces Med. Theatre of Op. Decorated with Order of Command of British Empire at his headquarters in Italy.

Sgt. Charles H. Bomboy—

The Air Medal has been awarded to Sergeant Charles H. Bomboy, 23, for meritorious achievement while participating in bombing attacks upon German war plants and upon Nazi military defense points and communications in conjunction with the Allied ground force advances in western Europe.

He is the aerial engineer and top turret gunner of an Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress in the 385th Bombardment Group, commanded by Colonel George Y. Jumper, Natoma, Calif.

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