

Dear Dick:

Dear friend with the colors:

Came the sun, and balmy weather, came the rain, and up came the late gardens, came the Summer Session and about 200 students, came a Sunday Evening, and a new contingent of Av Cadets from Miami--and who should slide out of one of the busses with them, and as one of them, but George Salinger--How did you pull the strings George? (He's now quartered in West Hall (Old H.S.)) In a few days from Butler, came Marian--couldn't talk to George--Sherman was right!! Came word from Miami Beach--Wedding Bells for Mary E. Eby of Newport Pa and S/Sgt John O. Kaufmann--Don't let him get away Bride Mary--he can run like the dickens!! CONGRATULATIONS to them and also Bob Herzberger, and Virginia Westlake recently married also. Came the unusual--Bob Varnum and his wife (Betty Leslie) at the same time enlisted in the Navy--he as Ensign-Deck Officer to be, and she with the "Ripples"--first couple to be so enrolled in Pgh office. Came some news--a little envelope from McKeesport on June 22--announcing "Came a big baby boy 7-lb 12-oz to Mr and Mrs Lt. Kensley Miller--opened the Pgh paper--there staring me in the face was a picture of Kensley Sr--BAGGED A MESSERSCHMITT!!! His squadron of Mosquitoes bagged 15 in the battle of Pantelleria and papa Kensley is credited with one!!!! Nice going papa Kensley--a boy and a Messerschmitt on the same day--which gave you the greater thrill? May you get many many more Messerschmitts and----- To the Campus came: Tony Longo headed for the Weather Station at Maxton Field Air Base, N.C. Come again Tony. Lieut C.E. Gladd--sorry to have missed you Claire--stop in again. Came Lieut Archie Dodds now Athletic Officer of 4th Naval District (Phila)--Enjoyed the chat over the many college men now enrolled--and his unusual and varied experiences that ought to enrich him for his job as Head H.E. when he returns. Came Bill Held after being hospitalized at Knox College and now on the mend--soon bound for Texas..and the wide open places. Came Lt Hartzell from Washington now bound for Washington state and with him his wife Eleanor. Came planting time and Drs Nichols and Waldron carefully prepared the ground, planted many little seeds--came a boy with a harrow--mixed em all up--succotash. Came word that Lt Paul T. Butler was again on the loose--Paul don't you ever stay put? After completing a course in the Special Services Schools at Wash and Lee, Lexington Va he flew back to his base camp Palm Springs Cal. - * * * Do you remember him?--That tall pleasant light haired broad shouldered lad with the pleasant smile? Often he rode a motorcycle from down Portersville way parked it back of Main Bldg ---I speak of Howard G. Sipe. On the 4th of June Howard died in Africa. To his parents came no details--just the notice. To a friend came (later) a letter from Howard written the same day he died--leads us to think it must have been in an accident. Soon we hope to know. Live forever Howard Sipe--in the esteem and regard of your fellow students, your friends and your parents!! As a man you lived, as a man you died for what you hold to be right--Liberty, Justice, Free Speech, Free Assembly, Freedom from Want--Freedom from Fear. Though you be buried in far off Africa, you are not alone--others of your native country are buried near you and hovering over your grave Howard Sipe is an aurora of deep esteem--it remains there today and tomorrow, its light will never go out. Live forever Howard Sipe in the heart of your Alma Mater. * * * *

And now as space will allow, some excerpts from recent letters : FROM Lt W.A. HINDS (North Africa) "After spending 3 months in England I was sent down here. It would have been a pleasure to have served all of the time in England where I made many friends--and I hope to get back to see them one day. Right now I have a baseball team called the BBs (because they're not big shots I suppose Bill) Some of them have play-semi-pro and in college--we don't get much practice. I have met Art Ammon Lt and Mrs Hartzell, and Bill Manke since joining up" Good Letter Bill--Come again. From A/S Keith Stoner "I am here at Wittenberg College Springfield Ohio, and Jimmy Weaver, Bert Wagner, and Mark Wayne are all here too." Keith check up and see if all those fellows are getting VB right along please. Csp Jack OBRIEN "Most of the Chief Specialists I work with are from "so called" big time colleges and they are deprived of a paper like VB--do they regret it! My wife and I often walk around the Harvard Campus and I try and impress her with big words I picked up in your art class--I TRY to impress her! I wish I could come back to visit S.R. this June but permits are few and far between. I am what you might call a "dry land sailor" but who am I to dictate to the Navy?" Good luck CPO Jack. From Lt and Mrs Bob Shannon (3321 E Colorado St Pasadena Cal) "Bessie (Barnhart) and I were married here in Pasadena June 12th using the double ring ceremony--so were both out of circulation!!

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Some time ago in the PX I ran onto a former S.R. chap by the name of Westerman-he is a Sargeant here at Santa Anita-It sure was swell to see him after a number of years.-Friends made at S.R. are not easily forgotten. Things on the West Coast are quiet but NOT ASLEEP " Long live Bob and "the Cap's daughter". From Lt Harry "Heggs" Schmidt " My thoughts seem to drift back to school at S.R. more than ever--but its good to dream a little I am now at Buckingham Air Field Ft Meyers Fla-this is a flexible gunnery school--my work is in P.Tr with Gunnery Students.It is beautiful down here with all the brilliant flowers--weather as hot as ---." Good old Heggs--and thanks for the gift-the kids as well though of them swell! From Cpl Jimmy Hines(14th Sta CompSqSP-Jacksonville Fla) I am inclosing a picture from the newspaper how I looked as "Boris Karloff" in "Arsenic and Old Lace"--we had quite a time with this show in Baton Rouge--now I have done several shows here, and have more coming up. Shows are needed on this side and also badly needed on the other--that where I hope to land.Tell all my friends that just as soon as this damned mess is over and won well all meet at the college and have SUCH a celebration-For every show I do in N.Y. Ill see to it that they all have seats front and center and that goes for you too." For a darn fine letter thanks!! And how we would like to drop in on one of your great white way productions!! From Jo Banichar(Bx2618Christobal,CanalZone)"No malaria, no aches, no pains--still have my hair--in short, Im fine, tanned, I like Panama, interesting, I plan to stay here until the war is over then add Mrs. to my name and head for New Hampshire or Ver. I plan to visit S.Amer. next summer--any suggestions?"--Yes--dont start a revolution"Jo. From Lt Loyal M.Liken " Im the adjutant here at the Municipal Air Port at Albany N.Y. where we train transport pilots"From Cpl James W.Cornelius(CoB-3301stASTU,Blacksburg,Va)"When that first brown envelope arrived my curiosity soared sky high-I thought "What a furlough!!" I assure you my appreciation arose higher than my curiosity to hear all about the fellows, where they were and what doing.Im studying Mech Eng here-Ive had various experiences in the army--visitedHollywood, St Aug Fla, and took a 50 mile hike slept in pup tents--Great!! "I would have enjoyed printing ALL your fine letter--and picking more strawbetties from your brothers patch near Jaxville. From Tom Watson"The latest news-flash is that it reached 137° in Camp Hyder on May 26th-Im picking up a little bit of Spanish from the Senors and Senoritas down here" Take care wait you pick up Tommy!!-As long as its Spanisk O.K.--HAW, HAW, HAW, here is a news item sent from England by Doug Lehman written by a Sports reporter in London Daily Times " It was very difficult to know what the players on these two American teams were doing--but this kept us all watching carefully, and ultimately there did seem to emerge some sort of pattern, based largely on our own game of Rugby. There are eleven on each side of this game and substitutes are allowed" --A ripping contest no doubt--ah well Cheerio old thing! From Sgt.John Patterson (" I sure like England and have seen many places that would do justice to your paint brush--quaint old buildings, old villages, the churches, the "Pubs" etc. I have acquired a bicycle and it sure saves a lot of walking--have been receiving the VBs and do enjoy them-I suppose you are making garden--how are the dahlias?" Making garden? yes--Dahlias--not so hot. From LieutJgJohnE.Davis (Acorn10Port HuenameCal)"After 22 months in JaxvilleFla I have been transferred toCal. This is an embarcation point and we do business here--Of course we miss our home in Fla--" Dont let the Chamber of Commerce hear you say that Jack--thats poison out there I hear!! From Pvt Patsy Deletis (APO 8962 Pm NYC)" I hope someday to return to S.R. and take up my college work from there on--It seems that some people have all the luck--How I would like to be a Cadet at S.R." Yes we are in the midst of the 6 week Summer session now Patsy--and dont worry about your job--ALL of us have to do things that we dont like to do Patsy--Buck Up!! From Ens Carl Sinkul a " Heres my new address1170E. Brainard Ave,Pensacola Fla--time short now more later" From A/S Jack M.Dunlap (Gr3 SqBBar6Nashville Tenn)"I recently met some fellows here who had been Cadets at S.R., and they liked it. The psychometer tests are fun--we call them the "Penny Arcade" We have to push buttons and match lights--work lights in a dummy cockpit, work left handed threaded handles etc." Come again Jack. From Art RometoPfc("So far I havent seen anotherS. R. lad-I am now Clerk, and doing instructing about 20 miles from where I was on the same island. Columbase's anchor is here in a museum he lost it on his 2nd voyage to America. We also have a Pitch lake--never goes dry, Trees here in the Kings Botanical Garden from all over the world. The customs of the natives are always interesting--in a Hindu funeral the cortege goes down the street pausing at the doorways where most frequented by the deceased.The women in the procession wear white robes and the men in high hats and tux's. The husband of the oldest girl is granted concubinage rights to all the other girls in the family whether they are married or single.They have peculiar superstitions also"--I guess you must enjoy the experience of getting around some Art. From Lt Joseph T. Lytle (AAS.OSG#21CampDavisNC) "Excuse the dirt on this paper

as we have had a dust storm and it now covers everything about $\frac{1}{2}$ " I spent an entire evening studying my last VB--and you may put me down as a Charter Member of that group who want a big HomeComing when this mess is all cleared up--how I would like to have a look at that campus right now" Your on Joe. From Pwt John J. Lottes (CoB, ASTP-Mississippi College, State College, Miss) "After Camp Wheeler I went to Alabama Poly. Inst along with John Lewis, Tom Carey, and Joe Bonafeste. A group of us basic Engineers (no S.R. fellows along) came here--we have been shown genuine Southern Hospitality of which one could ask nothing finer--only I wish to heck it would rain!! It seems like every one else from S.R. is an officer and I've been in this outfit for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ months--Cheer up Jack the first 38 years are the hardest--then meebby you'll be a Corp. From Pfc Marcus Holpfer 646 TSSBr1939 Truax Filed Madison Wis) I am taking a radio mechanic course here and will likely be stationed here for 18 more weeks--it is very interesting. Please rush me a V.B. as I don't want to lose contact with S.R." Your on the list Marcus--just remember to keep me informed when you change addresses--you might be interested to learn that a campus rumor has it that Gloria DonDero is now writing her name Gloria Stoner--I guess we'd better ask Keith to verify this for us. FROM Ens J.W. McGarry (" On board we are quite lucky when we get mail as regular as I have gotten the last 3 VBs. I have only seen David Frazier and "Speed" Hastings since being in the service--did not get to see Frazier after we put him off--he was right when he said he thought we were in that vicinity. Saw Hastings once after we left him off--think it was he who almost clipped off our mast in a few salutes in another occasion. Our boat was one of the first put in aft--Dec 7th--we are still going strong. "Thanks--come again SOON--. From Pvt Tom Carey (4th Co SCU. #3409 STAR-Auburn Ala) "Was glad to get the last VB and the Commencement program--I was left here when other S.R. men transferred " From Lt Kensley Miller (" For the past month I've been doing a lot of flying over water, bomber escort etc--We've been pounding all the well known islands off Africa. I've covered the coast over here in Africa from Cairo to Tunisia--perhaps some day I'll have a bit of luck. Perhaps one of these days we'll be operating from the island base closer to Italy so we won't have to fly so far--Get me? Our outfit works with the 8th army so I've caught on to a good deal of British slang. Tell any S.R. fellows handy the "Cape" to look me up and I would like to buzz my plane to see any of them I can--If I knew their APO. " --Well Kensley a real SALUTE to you for finally getting "that lucky day and a Messerschmitt--Wed give a "farm in Spain" to hear your story of it. Rec'd your V mail letter also. From A/S-S.H. Harris (Area C5-Flat 3921 Camp Peary Williamsburg Va) "I believe I'm the first fellow from S.R. to be in the SeeBees--there's work here and it has done wonders--I've lost some weight but do not know how much" From Lt. Gerald R. Orr (Hd EBS APO Fm NY) " I sure do appreciate every copy of VB and have a complete file and they are more appreciated when far from home--I haven't met up with any S.R. fellows since joining"--Gerald why can't you see Thor Olson or Doug Lehman over there--why not write them. FROM Lt. J.B. Hetrick (Personnel Hdqrs CSCRTC-Camp Crowder Mo) "Mrs H. and I have been here for the last 6 weeks--like it fine so far--we have an apt. in Joplin Mo. All my career has had to do with paper work--am still at it" From Pvt Tom W. Green (CoC-1546 SU-Ohio State U-Columbus O) "Have been sitting here in my room looking over VBs and the Sax--they bring back precious memories & I hope to see you on the campus when I can get there again" From Lt Fr. Ladesia (39th Bomb-61st Sq-Monthan Field-Tucson Ariz) " Note my new address which now will be--Student Officers Mail Rm-School of Applied Tact. Orlando Florida" From Pfc R.C. McGregor (USMCR-CoH-30th Cand. MCSMB Quantico Va) " I really don't know how a boot like me really rated officer training but I'll do my darndest--they work us from 5:30 to 11:00 at night most of the time--If I make it and get a few days off I'll be over to SEA--Be sure and come Bob!! From Lt David Thaler (Base Weather Sta-Bainbridge Ga) "After finishing in NYU, I went to Turner Fld Ga--then I was ordered here. I am the weather officer here--responsible for the operation and main. of the sta--I deal directly with the pilots--no ship (except local flights) leave the field without weather clearance--I saw Sydney Harris in the Officers Club--he wants on your mailing list Mr M". --David get me Harris's address and he'll be placed. From Lt C.E. Gladd (R. Stevens 213 Perrine Av. Elberton N.J.) "Was the recipient of a letter from Dale Pierce through the VBs address--he is enjoying his stay in the Near East--Dave Frazier wrote me a V. letter--it is grand to hear from these old friends--I am doing special work in message center work--signal corps" From E. Cyphert (Hdq NAAC-Nashville Tenn) " I am still pushing a pencil in the classification center--some of the Cadets who were at S.R. came through a few days ago--I always like to talk to them--I keep on the look out for S.R. fellows always--My wife (Wanda Krupar) and I are enjoying this summer here". From Jack Williams mother--Sharon " Will send you Jack's address as soon as I hear from him--He was aboard the USS Hugh L Scott and it with 2 others were torpedoed and sunk Nov 12, five miles from shore near Casablanca. Jack's bunk mate was killed--but Jack was able to reach a boat aft

being in oil black water 20 minutes and it was getting dark-they were brought back to US after a night on shore near Casablanca. He is now on USS Turner-will send new address soon! From Pvt Ben Rebel A/S NSNR V7 Notre Dame Ind) "Every minute is planned here-Im taking Ord. Recogniti-on, Math, Seamanship, and DRILL-it keeps getting tougher! We get excellent food, and I hope to be a Midshipman after June 27th" From Lt L.G. McElroy (CoM-15SigTrBn-FtMonmouthNJ) "My first copy of VBarrived, and I can see im late in catching up with the news-how I like it! I attended "Ho-oks" Samples wedding-hes the only S.R. man Ive met in the service." From Cpl T. Bukowski (AntiTankCo-222InfCampGruberOkla) "After a year at NewCumberland they sent me here and Im in the Rainbow Div.-detail work, guard duty, truck driver, concrete mixing, and an appetite like a horse and a couple of elephants" From S/Sgt Walter R. Ramsey (22 Base Hdq&ABgrBldg 549Lowry FieldDenverCol) "I regret that I cannot supply you with Jack Denbows address but here is his brothers: Pvt Alfred Denbow-35Special Se-vice's Co Ft Meade, Md. You may be interested to know that Joe Kelly is in the Ph. Tr. Dept with me here at Lowry Field." Capt Frank E. Ware writes saying that he thinks his stay at Purdue U will end very short-ly and that he will likely be transferred east-his family will in all probability remain in S.R. until later. From Archie Sonntag Pvt, (422 B. Hq and A.B.Sqd-28th A.B.Det-Venice, Fla) "After Miami Beach I spent a miserable month in the Signal Corps at Drew Fld-in spite of what Art Ammon and H. Hartzell say, I think the Signal Corps the worst mixed up branch of the service--then I was sent to MacDill Fld for a two day stop-then shipped 75mi S. of Tampa -here we have Bombing Range Det-and my job? I am Chief Radio operator and general clerk in th range office and I talk with bombing ranges, planes, Waacs at McDill Fld by radio and travel around in "Jenny the Jeep"-the nearest town is Sarasota 18mi away...." A good letter Archie but what we were all looking for was the account of that date you and your pal was to have with the Ringlin side show ladies-How anout this? Two groups of men from the college recently were sent to:-Navy Detachment at S.T.C. at Bloomsburg Pa; J. Brooks, Wm Meise, Jow Bower, F. Campbell, Ray Ashcom, J. Bevington, C. Fitzgibbons, F. Nedwidek, D. Carroll, Bill Messmer--the other Gro-up went to the Marine Detachment at Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster Pa; Bob Lewis, Blair Hildebrand, Lester Patton, D. Sproul, Bob Buxton and trout fisherman Frank Dennis. All of these latter named have in fact just arrived in these colleges-They are asked to keep in contact (each one personally) for the new address when they finish or are thrown out! Some difficulty has arisen in trying to keep in touch with the larger group that went earlier to Camp Wheeler--some of this group are lost on our mailing list and evidently are not receiv-ing this news letter. Also we have yet to hear from any one who knows where Stanley Robson or Jack Flora are located...send these addresses in if you happen to know as several have asked for them. From Pfc M.E. Carless (654 TSS Bks 1121 Sioux Falls S. Dak) "Well here I am mowed again, and Im attending a school to learn to be a radio operator. Have got the "gremlins" but of my eye and hope to take another crack at the cadets in the near future. Mike Mamula lives right across the street from me--I read his latest VB today-as it will be quite a while before mine catches up with me-hope to see you in a short while! Thanks for the note and THANKS for locating Mike Mamula--we had thought that he was at the southern tip of New Zealand or the Northern point of Attu! Correction--in #19 we reported Dick Jones in Honolulu-this was a great mistake--discovered just as the letters (now numbering about 270) we-re going out in the mail-- Dick is on board the USS "Cowpens" fm NYC.-Wayne Goss at CoB-736Tank Bn Ft Knox Ky. -Jimmy Cox (and Charlotte) 415 Gotham St Watertown NY. The Hanford Wrights; 960-16th St Santa Monica Cal Andy Krovonak-CoA-343 MedDetFtDixN.J.) Fred DaMeolo- fm San Fran Cal)--Lt Arthur Sillman AARTC BtryA-34thBn Camp WallaceTex. GeoMar shall Sutherin CoB 735M CoCamp Perry Ohio. Keith Wooster-Bldg 1213 Rm 132 Barin Fld Pensacola Fla. Lt John H. Graham (NT501) Ft Schuyler Bronx ny. Sgt Frances Webster, Med Det Finney GenHosp-Thomasville Ga. [IF YOU receive in your envelope a large size POST CARD all printed ready for your message and address it is a SIGN that we are NOT SURE if you are receiving VICTORY BELL--in other words we some how feel that your address has been too long at the one place and wonder if you have moved and have not notified us of the fact---Busy as you are, try and give us the changes of your address JUST AS SOON AS THEY OCCUR--this will help us keep up with you.]] And now as this #20 issue goes to mimeograph here at SR the 6 week Summer Session is about half over, in these last 3 weeks crops all over the US are better-likely will be almost as good- (with luck) as last years,-and all is pretty nice on the campus, here at the college with no signifiscant news. Word reaches us that the price of gas will increase-likely away out of bounds in the future--which is an indication that a large stock is being built up--for you know what!! Be darn sure that we here at the college are very proud of you--be assured that we will bend every effort to help you--What can we do for YOU? Cheerio and best wishes from an old friend *Geo T. Miller*