

92 Bethlehem Pike
Ambler, Pa.
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Dear

From all we hear and read we know that the going has been mighty rough for many of you folks the past weeks and we are proud to find that our Ambler boys have been in there fighting with the same courage, determination and spirit that they have shown on the athletic field so many times in the past. We know that where you are it is not a Saturday afternoon game of recreational activity but a business which concerns everybody in Ambler, in Pennsylvania, in fact in America. We folks back in Ambler don't forget you. We think of you and pray for you and are patiently and anxiously awaiting the day when we can greet you with the biggest welcome you ever received. We hope that this is the last October you will be away.

Here at home the leaves are beginning to be real colorful. The red and golden hues of the autumn foliage seem lovelier than usual and I don't remember a year when the dogwood trees have been more heavily laden with bright red berries. The crisp, cool days are here again. On several mornings there have been signs of early frost and there is enough of a twang in the air so that one remembers to pull on a sweater before stepping outside. This is the time of the year when it seems appetites are on the upswing: pumpkin pies, pickles, cider, jellies, preserves, apples and all the other "goodies" which are so typical of this season seem to have a tantalizing effect. Boys of all ages are on the sand lots and fields after school playing all brands of football. Their shouting just penetrates the air. Already the children are making plans for the annual Halloween pranks.

We enjoy dreaming about all the things we are going to do when you return, however, we assure you that until all can participate in fun and pleasure once more we folks back home will not relax in our efforts for victory. We shall keep on backing you fighting men and shall not forget that it is only through your heroic deeds that victory will be ours.

We surely appreciate the interesting letters we receive from you folks. You are doing a grand job and again we say thanks.

High School News

The Ambler High Football season opened September 29 at 8:30 P. M. The band, the cheer leaders, both Junior and Senior High Hockey teams, the Junior High Football team, headed by Mr. Kunsman

and the 110 lb. team coached by Mr. Henry, paraded on the field prior to the game. Captain "Bertie" D'Elia led the Trojans to a 38-6 victory over Upper Moreland before 1700 spectators. Frank Carter was the outstanding player of the game. Capt. D'Elia made a sensational 62 yard dash in the third period. During the second half Coach Meyers substituted practically everyone on the bench. The second game of the season was played with Sell-Perk on October 6. Ambler won 38-0. Frank Carter scored three touchdowns, one on a 41-yard sprint off tackle. On October 13 the Trojans met the Doylestown High eleven at Doylestown and were defeated 19-0. Much enthusiasm is being shown in the games this fall and the next one on October 20th with Springfield should be a thriller.

Springfield High is continuing its drive for a third consecutive Bux-Mont Scholastic Conference football title so much interest is being shown in the game.

The Hockey team lost its first night game to Sell-Perk 2-1 on October 6.

The annual Song and Yell Contest was used as a pep rally before the first game. All the rooms participated and as usual a great deal of enthusiasm was manifested. The Ticket Campaign was a success. Prizes were awarded to the homerooms selling the highest number.

The High School has formed a Red Cross Council. Each homeroom will have two representatives. John Meyers, football coach, and former Red Cross Field Director in the South Pacific, was the principal speaker at a recent Junior Red Cross Assembly, and told how much the men in the armed forces appreciated the articles sent them by the Junior Red Cross.

The R-Ambler Staff has elected its officers for the year. Peggy Boulton is Editor-in-chief. Adolph Wegner is Assistant editor.

High school pupils are helping to harvest apples, potatoes and corn with the work planned in such a way that boys from the same section are given permission to work at the same time. Miss Evelyn Kulp is in charge of the activity. An average of 30 students help each day.

And now for some Local News:

Lt. Charles McCracken, a navigator of the 8th Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress "Mugurimp II", has been awarded the DFC. He also holds the air medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters. Sgt. J. David Coutts, who has been in the service for 2 years, is now overseas serving as a Control Tower operator. He celebrated his 20th birthday on September 26. Corp. James Angelichio is in Jamaica where he has been stationed for a year and a half. Lt. William K. Lewis, pilot of the 8th Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress "Rio Tinto", who holds the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters has been awarded the DFC. Before entering the service he worked as

an airport attendant for Wings Field Inc., Ambler. He has spent more than 250 hours at the controls of his Fort while bombing Europe in flak and enemy fighter filled skies.

A pretty church wedding took place on Saturday, September 30 at the Church of the Messiah, Gwynedd when Miss Mary Louise Allen became the bride of Sgt. Melvin James, Jr. Mrs. James Lacy of Wilkes Barre, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. The bride was given in marriage by her brother Ensign Stanley R. Allen U.S.N.R. A reception was held at William Penn Inn. After their wedding trip, Mrs. James returned to Wilkes Barre and Sgt. James resumed his duties at Newfoundland where he is stationed.

Vincent Ferla and Benjamin Camburn, Jr. are receiving their "boot" training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Pfc. E. Garwood Howard, Jr. has been assigned to repair flak battered B-17 Flying Fortress bombers winging on their missions of liberation over Nazi-held portions of Europe. He is working in a sheet metal repair shop speeding the battle-damaged bombers back into the air. Kenneth Amey, ARM 3/c, is at home for 2 weeks after which he will report at San Diego, Cal. S/Sgt George Rue (husband of the former Miss Grace Grant) stationed in Belgium suffered injuries recently in a fall from a cliff while on duty. He is recuperating at a hospital in France.

The Ambler Liberty Club defeated the Venango Bears 12-0 on Sept. 30 in their first night game of the season played on the Ambler High School Field. Joe Ciacco is captain of the Liberty Club.

A wedding of interest which took place at the Church of the Messiah, Gwynedd on September 23 was that of Miss Bertha Farrington, Spring House and Walter J. Thompson, Oak Lane. Miss Peggy Smith of Ambler was maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will make their home at 144 Park Avenue, Ambler.

S/Sgt. "Bill" Little has been awarded the Air Medal for his operations in the combat area of the European theater of war. He is a radioman on a B-26 Liberator and is stationed in England. Bill has flown nine missions over the continent. He recently spent a few days visiting cousins in his father's home town in Scotland.

Rev. George J. Crist is in the Presbyterian Hospital where he is recuperating from an operation.

Corp. "Parry" Weiss has moved from Camp Forrest, Tenn. to Fort Jackson, S. C. He is now home on a 15 day furlough. A short time ago "Gerry" Davis had a one day pass and visited Orleans, France where he had a very enjoyable time. Sgt. Walter J. Wyrostek who is stationed in Saipan has been in the hospital with dengue fever. Lt. and Mrs. Charles Deuchar are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Charline Ann. Charles is stationed in New Mexico and his wife and baby are living with her family in Wilkes Barre.

Sgt. Sam B. Dailey, who is with a mustang Fighter Squadron, and Lt. William (Bill) A. Hayward who is with the Signal Corps attached to the Air Force, have moved and are now near 2nd Lt. Edward R. Sage who is with the 8th Army Air Force in England. "Ed" has recently received the air medal "for exceptionally meritorious achievement while serving as the bombardier of a B-17 Flying Fortress on a number of sustained bomber combat missions over Germany and enemy occupied Europe". He is a bombardier and navigator and has been overseas since July. Since beginning this letter we have learned that Eddie is in a hospital in England. In a recent letter to his parents he stated that he stopped some flak with his knee while in a bomber raid over Germany on October 2nd. He has one oak leaf cluster in addition to the air medal.

You no doubt remember that we told you some time ago that "Bob" Cassel was hoping to make his quartermaster's rating. He has made the grade and we congratulate him on being promoted from seaman first class to quartermaster third class. Mrs. Clifford Martin Jr. (the former Miss Pauline Haff) and son have arrived in Ambler from Selma, Ala. and will spend two months with her parents.

Charles Yost has been discharged from the army because of impaired hearing.

Pvt. Philip Benigno, Camp Barkley, Texas and S/Sgt. Albert Volpe of Kissimmee, Fla. have been visiting their parents. Pfc. Russell Benigno is home on a 15 day furlough. With him is his bride, a southern girl whom he recently married.

Pvt. Michael Lepore has arrived in Italy. He was recently granted a furlough which he spent with his grandmother and relatives. He also visited Naples and Rome. Michael is with a Replacement Company. Captain "Nick" Barry has entirely recovered from the wounds he received in Italy. He has left the hospital in Africa and is back with his old outfit in Italy. Pvt. Herman Ashton is in France. T/5 "Tuck" Deck who is with the 20th Engineers, was among the first Americans to enter Paris. He says they were royally received especially by the girls. When he last wrote he was in Luxemburg. Pfc. "Bill" Sabold is in Southern France with the 7th Army. Pfc. Warren Fleck is with the Engineers Construction Battalion in Netherlands, East Indies. Pvt. Michael Angellilus has been transferred from Camp Stewart, Ga. to Camp Haan, Cal. where he is in a searchlight battalion. Stanley Biggert who is in the Navy, is at the Lockheed Factory, Cal. where he is taking advanced work. "Jimmy" Biggert Phm 3/c is at the Navy Hospital, Portsmouth, Va.

Sgt. Walter Sobers of Ft. Sill, Okla., has been spending two weeks at his home. He spent one evening at the Stage Door Canteen where he had an enjoyable time. Pvt. Luther Hocker who was a class mate of Walter's at Gettysburg has also been home. He is stationed at Camp Grant, Ill.

Pfc. Maynard Hunsberger is home on a 21 day furlough from Alaska. T/S Wilbert Landes is spending 20 days at home after an absence of 25 months most of which has been spent in Alaska. Robert Lindenfeld has been promoted to Radio Technician 3/c. A/C John Merritt made his first solo flight on Sept. 21 at Garner Field, Vvalde, Texas.

Two young ladies became acquainted in the Hazel Hotel at Newport, Ark. while waiting for their prospective husbands and thus plans for a double wedding were arranged. One of the ladies was Mildred E. LeClare of Heckler St., Ambler who became the bride of S/Sgt. Harold D. Rissmiller of Hatfield, formerly of North Wales and Ambler. He is in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Pvt. Carlton Meyers is now in England serving as a Chaplain's assistant. Before going overseas he was organist director of the camp religious services, organist director at a nearby church and did some supply preaching. He is doing the same line of work now and assisting the same chaplain as at Camp Grant, Ill, where he was previously stationed. The engagement of Miss Laura May Amey to A/C James Randall Radcliffe of the Army Air Forces, formerly of Pelham Manor, N. Y., has been announced. Laura recently left for New York City where she has accepted a position. He is stationed at Lubbock, Texas, where he is receiving his pre-flight instruction.

Election of officers of the Norton Downs, Jr., Post, American Legion of Ambler will be held at the next meeting. Walter P. Dickinson has been nominated for Commander; Elmer Ott, Senior Vice Commander; Edgar P. Roberts, Junior Vice Commander. The Post now has a membership of 102 which should be doubled by 1945. An appropriate celebration is being planned for Armistice Day, November 11, when the gold star certificates will be awarded.

Rev. Luther Harshbarger has resigned from the pastorate of the Church of the Brethren to accept an appointment by the Brethren Service Committee as a relief worker in Europe. The resignation will take effect about January 1, 1945.

Robert J. O'Brien R.D.M.2/c, U.S.N.R. and Miss Regina Hess of Mt. Airy were married at the Holy Cross Catholic Church, Mt. Airy on Saturday, Sept. 30. They will reside in Washington, D.C., where Robert is a student at the Naval Research Laboratory specializing in Radio.

On September 22 while home on furlough, Pvt. William "Buddy" L. Kilson was married to Miss Mildred Johnson of West Ambler. "Buddy" is stationed at Keesler Field, Miss. Pvt. and Mrs. Raymond Miley, Jr., of Penlllyn are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter. Andrew Lewis of Penlllyn has received an honorable discharge from the Army.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Anton Dummeldinger on Saturday September 16. She has been ill for some time. To Al, Bill and Walter all of whom receive the Newsletter we send our deepest sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rayne have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Pfc. Krieg Logan of Fern Rock. He is a former employee of K. & M. and has been serving with the Army Air Corps in the southwest Pacific for the past two years.

Miss Elizabeth (Betty) Miller is in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps and is one of a class of 133 students training in the School of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. It is the largest first year group at the Hospital since it was founded in 1886.

Pfc. Gilda Dragani WAC arrived home from Ft. Myer, Va., on September 27 for a 10 day furlough. It was the first time that Valdo, Gilda and Arnold had been home together since Valdo first entered the service. Pvt. Donald Gerhart has been released from the hospital and while working in an Army post office in England recently met an Army Lieutenant who used to work for his Dad in Ambler. The latter took Don to Officers' Mess and while there discovered that one of the cooks was also from Ambler so they had a good time together reminiscing about their home town. We have just heard that Don is in France with a Replacement Battalion.

A Bit of Nonsense

Wife- Do you know what day it is? Just 25 years ago we became engaged.

Absent-minded Professor- Why didn't you remind me before, dear? It's high time that we got married.

"Cats, my dear" said the spinster, "I hate the very sight of them. I had a sweet little canary and some cat got that. I had a perfect parrot and some cat got that. I had an adorable fiance once and--oh, don't mention cats to me!"

Dad to Son- Never mind how I first met your mother, but I can tell you one thing--it certainly cured me of whistling.

The average wife isn't much interested in what her husband is saying unless he is talking to another woman.

Three Yanks sleeping in Italy were awakened by a crash.

"What was that," asked one, "bombs or thunder?"

"Bombs".

"Thank heaven," said the first G.I. "I was afraid we were going to have more rain."

Laundry sign: We don't mangle your clothes with machinery--we do it carefully by hand.

"Mummy", asked the small son, "Daddy wouldn't murder anyone, would he?"

"Why certainly not, dear. What makes you think so?" asked the horrified mother.

"Well, I heard him in the cellar just now saying: "Let's kill the other two, George".

During an intense love scene in the movies when the hero was doing his stuff, his wife nudged him and said "Why is it that you never make love to me like that?"

"Say," he replied, "do you know the salary that guy gets for doing that?"

Here's more News:

We hear that Pfc. Harold L. Moore, Jr., has been in an accident but have heard no details as yet. He is with the Engineers Combat Battalion in France.

S/Sgt. Radcliffe H. Allen, Stout Field, Indianapolis; Allen W. Thierolf, Jr., S 2/c, who is on an L.C.T. in the Pacific, and Pfc. E. Allen Buzby, Calcutta, India have been added to our mailing list. Pvt. Edward A. West, U.S.M.C. has finished his "boot" training at Parris Island and is now located at Camp Lejeune, N.C. in the Special Training Regiment Artillery.

Pfc. Harley Smith has finished Radio School at Sioux Falls, So. Dakota and is now in Gunnery School at Yuma, Arizona. Pvt. Russell W. Huckel and Pvt. Lambert N. West are at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. They recently met while waiting in line for the movies. Pvt. Gordon Dudley "Pudge" Deck and Pvt. William "Bill" T. Pierson are in France. Pvt. Robert Kern has moved from Las Vegas, Nevada to Greensboro, N.C.

S/Sgt. George Rourke has written home telling of a recent experience in which he, an aircraft electrician at Col. Donald Graham's 8th Fighter Command P-51 Mustang station, flew as a B-17 Flying Fortress gunner on the A.A.F.'s second shuttle bombing trip to Russia and Italy. Among other things he wrote that he could see smoke and flames rising from the aircraft factory they bombed in East Prussia. He saw several German planes near the target but the escorting Mustangs shot the F W 190's down before the Germans could attack their formation.

Corp. Harry Dickinson celebrated his 23rd birthday in India on September 19. He has been overseas for 4 months. T/Sgt Thomas Gibbs is now stationed at Denver, Col. Y/3c Ruth Wood and Y/3c Mary Yeager, who are stationed at Cape May, spent a weekend at home recently.

We were shocked to hear of Pfc. James Claville's death which occurred in France on August 29. He and the former Miss Betty Nice were married last January. "Jimmy" entered the service in May 1943 and arrived overseas in July 1944. He was serving with an Infantry Unit.

S/Sgt. John A. Carlin of Dresher was radio operator gunner on the bomber "Barona" when the 13th A.A.F. Liberators in a bold daylight raid opened their drive against Japan's Palau Islands base. Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Faust have announced the engagement of their daughter Florence to Lt. Philip R. Yeany of Bloomsburg, Pa. Both are graduates of the Bloomsburg State Teachers College. Lt. Yeany is now a first pilot on a B-26 in the Army Air Force at Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La. Florence teaches in the Commercial Department of West Reading High School.

Cadet Howard J. Dager, Jr., of West Point, N. Y., and his roommate Cadet Rolfe Hillman of West Virginia, recently spent a weekend visiting the former's parents. Lt. and Mrs. George Brumbaugh and daughter arrived home from Ft. Myers, Fla., the last of September for a week's furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Willox celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 24th. Miss Elizabeth Flanagan and Edward Lincoln Hubler of Flourtown were married on Saturday, September 30 in the Calvary Methodist Church. Sgt. and Mrs. Victor Correnty are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son. Sgt. Correnty is stationed in Kansas.

Miss Martha Hoffer is a member of the Choir and Orchestra of Juniata College. She sings first soprano and plays the flute in the 32 piece orchestra. Corp. Anthony Ciufo recently celebrated his 23rd birthday somewhere in the Canal Zone where he has been located for the past twenty months.

Adolph Linquist, Corporal Tech. "Nick" Zollo, and Jack Meyers have been home recently. Pvt. Harry Landis and Corp. John R. Lutz have arrived in France. Harry writes that they are living in tents, enjoy good food, movies, U.S.O. and find conditions very comfortable. He stated that the weather is similar to ours and that bicycles are very prevalent in that locality. John McIntyre of Ambler Road has been awarded a certificate of honorable service by Rear Admiral R. Furlong, Commander of Pearl Harbor Navy Yard. He is no longer at that base but has been awarded the certificate in recognition of his faithful work and contribution to the war effort while there as a civilian employee. Lt. William C. Huber, who has been stationed at Courtland, Ala., is home on leave before going to a camp in Massachusetts where his next assignment is to be. Pvt. Gilbert Huber has returned to State College after visiting with his parents.

"Bert" Johnson has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and left October 5 to begin his basic training.

Pfc. David McKinnon is with the Army Air Forces in the Indo-China theater of war. Pfc. Henry C. Deens left on Sept. 6 for Camp Croft, S. C., where he is in the Infantry Training Battalion.

Sgt. "Ed" Amey stationed on the Hawaiian Islands recently sent his mother in Ambler and his wife in Centerville, Ohio, a lei made up of 36 orchids. The one for his mother was sent September 2 by air mail special delivery and reached Mrs. Amey at 8 A.M. on September 6. "Ed" has just been promoted to Staff Sergeant.

Corp. Maurice Childs has been transferred from Seattle, Wash., to Lowry Field, Denver, Col. Pfc. Joseph Monaco, who has been stationed in Hawaii, is home and enjoying his first furlough in 4 years. James McKinnon has passed the expert infantryman's test and has also been promoted to private first class. S/Sgt. Charles Flanagan has returned to Wala Wala, Wash., after being home on furlough. Robert Ambers has begun his training at the Naval Station, Sampson, N. Y. His brother John arrived home October 1st to spend a week with his wife and infant son. He has been overseas since March. He is a gunner on the U.S.S. Kiowa which took part in the invasion of France on D-Day. Johnny is sporting a victory moustache which is made up of mostly dots and dashes. He is a good sport about it and doesn't mind the "kidding". Lt. Commander Ellwood Godfrey of the Medical Corps, U.S.N.R. received his degree of Medical Science at the commencement exercises of the University of Pennsylvania on September 23. He was a member of the U of P Naval Unit and spent 2 years in the South Pacific on the hospital ship "Solace" as radiologist. He is now stationed at the Naval Hospital, Quantico Va. His family is living at Quantico with him.

It was with deep regret that we learned of Ensign "Jimmy" Corson, Jr.'s death on October 4th. He received his wings and commission at the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas on July 19th. He was killed when the Navy fighter plane he was piloting crashed near Lee Field, Florida, where he was stationed. Richard Gump, Phm 2/c is stationed in China and is living in an old Chinese Temple. A/C "Bill" Hamilton has finished his training at Carlstrom Field, Arcadia, Fla., and is now at Bainbridge, Ga. "Ted" Dailey, who is on the Island of Oahu, has been promoted to Corporal. A short time ago he sent home some pictures which he had painted for a friend who is now in the Marines.

The Salvage Committee collected 12,600 lbs. of waste paper in September which netted \$63 for the Recreational Council. The Council plans to sponsor the Social Night program for young people regularly each Saturday evening between the hours of 8:30 and 11 P.M. at the High School. There will be dancing and games. Refreshments will be provided.

Pvt. Tom Elder who is in the A.S.T. Unit was home on furlough from Carnegie Tech before reporting at Virginia Polytechnic Institute for further training. Jack Luskin, SF 3/c; Raymond Lane U.S.M.C., Roscoe Brady; Pvt. Robert S. Wood, Ft. Meade, Md; Y2/c Mary Dickins, Washington, D.C.; Bernard Lapetina, California; Lt. Thomas McCabe; Franklin Wright, A.S., Univ. of Pennsylvania; Pvt. William Weir, Camp Claiborne, La; Corp. Gordon Charlton; William Dummeldinger; Corp. Earl Wood, Orlando, Fla.; Pvt. Albert C. Fluck, Aberdeen, Md.; and Arthur Hansen Mo.M.M. 1/c have visited in Ambler recently.

Pvt. Frank Rocco, a rifleman in an infantry regiment in the 37th Division somewhere in the Southwest Division Area is coming home according to word received by his parents. His name has been drawn by lottery under the War Department rotation policy. Frank has been overseas since May 26, 1942.

S/Sgt. Harold S. Carl with the 8th Air Force Service Command Station in England has as his task repairing and checking the instruments installed in fighter planes. Many battle damaged planes are reconditioned at that station. T/Sgt. Paul Raser of Ambler and Miss Hermina Guenst of Flourtown were married on October 7th. They are spending a honeymoon in New York after which he will report to St. Petersburg, Fla. She will reside with her parents for the duration.

Carol Sue Deck, infant daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. R. Nelson Deck was baptised on Sunday morning October 7th in the St. John's Lutheran Church. Sgt. and Mrs. Deck have been home on furlough from Phoebus, Va. recently. After returning to his duties he was promoted to the rating T/S.

Pvt. Thomas G. Moll has been reported missing in France since August 30. He has been in the service five years and was a Technical Sergeant with a repair division overseas when he volunteered for more action so gave up his rating when he transferred to the new branch of service and had to start again with the rank of Private. He was with the motorcycle unit as a dispatch rider. Pfc. Walter S. (Steve) Jones is somewhere in New Guinea with the Malaria Control Unit. His name has just been added to our list.

Here are some High Lights in Sports:

Baseball

St. Louis Americans take league lead by winning Sept. 16th game, Detroit and New York tied for second place one-half game behind. On Sept. 17th St. Louis wins and loses in double header with Chicago. Detroit beats Cleveland both games of double header. New York loses two games to Athletics. This puts Detroit in the lead. St. Louis one half game behind in second place. New York third, two games behind the leaders. Then Detroit wins and St. Louis loses leaving the Browns one and one half games behind. New York three games and Boston nine games behind the leading Detroit Tigers. Boston now,

Sept. 23rd, is out of the race. The team was handicapped when Bobby Doerr their second baseman and outstanding star was inducted a week ago. On Sept. 26th St. Louis and Detroit are tied for first place with New York three games behind, Six games left to play. Sept. 27th Browns lose to Detroit. Result Detroit one game ahead. New York 3 games behind leaders. Sept. 29th Browns beat New York in both games of double header. Detroit splits doubleheader with tail-end Washington Senators. Now the Browns & Tigers are again tied for first place. Yankees 4 games behind and out of the race. Sept. 30- Browns beat Yankees and Detroit beat Washington. Still tied for league pennant with one game to play tomorrow. If they are still tied after tomorrow's games, the decision will be made with a one game play off at Detroit on Monday Oct. 3rd. Oct. 1st St. Louis beat Yankees taking the series four straight. Detroit loses to Senators. The Browns win the American League pennant. This is first pennant they ever won in 42 years of American League play. The St. Louis Cardinals won the National League pennant easily. Finished 14½ games in the lead and are favorites to win World Series easily.

Final Standings

American League

	Won	Lost	Pc.
St. Louis	89	65	.578
Detroit	88	66	.571
New York	83	71	.539
Boston	77	77	.500
Phila.	72	82	.468
Cleveland	72	82	.468
Chicago	71	83	.461
Washington	64	90	.416

National League

	Won	Lost	Pc.
St. Louis	105	49	.682
Pittsburgh	90	63	.588
Cincinnati	89	65	.578
Chicago	75	79	.487
New York	67	87	.435
Boston	65	89	.422
Brooklyn	63	91	.409
Phila.	61	92	.399

Great interest in the World Series. Browns have many rooters. Cardinals are the favorite on form. Club batting Cardinals.268 Browns .252. Club fielding Cardinals.982 Browns .972 Cardinals have leading pitchers Wilkes with per centage of .810 Brecheen .762 Cooper .759. Potter with .731 is only Brown pitcher not under .700. Browns have but one man batting as high as .300. Cardinals have 3 regular batting well over .300 and a fourth at .297.

World Series first game Oct. 4th Browns win 2-1 on first baseman McQuinn's home run. Galehouse pitched for Browns allowing seven hits. Mort Cooper pitched for Cardinals. He allowed but 2 hits, Moore's single followed by McQuinn's homer in the 4th inning. 2nd game Oct. 5th. Cardinals win in 11th inning 3-2. Potter relieved by Muncrief in the eighth did the pitching for the Browns. Lanier started for Cardinals, was relieved by Donnelly a rookie. O'Dea a pinch hitter in the 11th won the game with a single. Four errors by Browns were costly.

3rd game Oct. 6th Browns win 6-2. Kramer is winning pitcher allows 7 hits. Cards use four pitchers allowing 8 hits. Kramer struck out 10. 4th game Oct. 7th Cards win 5-1. Breechen is winning pitcher allows 9 hits. Musial, Cards right fielder hit a homer in 1st inning with one on. 5th game Oct. 8th Cards win 2-0. Cooper winning pitcher allows 7 hits, strikes out 12. Galehouse for Browns was brilliant allowing 6 hits, striking out 10 losing. The Cards 2 runs were the result of 2 homers, by Sander in the 6th and Litwhiler in the 8th.

6th game Cards win 3-1 and with it the World Championship. Winning pitcher, Lanier although he was relieved by Wilks in the 5th. The Browns got but 3 hits, all off of Lanier. Cards made 10 hits. 3 pitchers were used by Browns. The Cards made one error and the Browns 10 in the series. Browns made 12 runs, earned them all, Cards made 16 runs, earned 9. No bases stolen by either team. Browns 36 hits, Cards 49. 9 doubles and one 3 base hit by each team. 3 homers by Cards and one by Browns. Brown pitchers struck out total of 43 and gave 19 bases on balls. Cardinal pitchers struck out 49 and gave 23 bases on balls. About \$4300 apiece for winning players and \$2800 for each Brown. Baltimore Orioles beat Louisville in little World Series.

After discussion of some length, regarding 1945 manager for the Phillies, Fred Fitzsimmons' contract was renewed. Phillies buy five new players for next year, all seasoned minor leaguers. Leo Durocher Manager of Brooklyn Dodgers since '39 signed again for 1945.

In football games on Sept 16th, Bucknell defeated Muhlenberg, considered the favorite, 24-7. Harvard beat Tufts 19-12. Michigan defeated Iowa Pre-Flight 12-7. Ursinus beat Swarthmore, 13-7. Great Lakes Navy Training school beat Fort Sheridan 62-0. On Sept. 23rd Great Lakes beat Purdue 27-18. Iowa Pre-Flight beat Minnesota 19-13. Cornell defeats Syracuse 39-6. F. & M. beat Ursinus 26-0. Bucknell beat Mulhenberg 14-0. This was Bucknell's second victory on successive Saturdays. On Sept. 30th Penn. University beats Duke 18-7. Duke, Southern Conference Champs were the favorites. 17 year old civilian freshman Tony Minisi starred with his running, passing and as receiver of passes. Al Sica 19 year old Navy V-12 trainer also starred.

Villanova beats F. & M. 14-6	
Cornell 26	Bucknell 0
Notre Dame 58	Pitt 0
Penn State 58	Muhlenberg 13
Army 46	N. Carolina 0
Holy Cross 6	Dartmouth 6
Great Lakes 26	Illinois 26
Bainbridge 43	Camp Lee 0

On Oct. 7th Penn beats Dartmouth 20-6 as Minisi again stars.

Yale 16	Cornell 7
Navy 55	Penn State 14
Army 59	Brown 14
Great Lakes 25	Northwestern 0
Muhlenberg 33	Swarthmore 6
Bucknell 16	F. & M. 13
Notre Dame 26	Tulane 0

On Oct. 14 Penn 46 - W. & M. 0. Minisi & Sica star again.

Colgate 14	Cornell 7
Temple 25	New York University 0
Notre Dame 64	Dartmouth 0
Navy 7	Duke 0
Tulane 21	Rice 0
No. Carolina Navy 13	Virginia 13
Army 69	Pitt 7
Ohio State 20	Wisconsin 7
Iowa Navy 13	Purdue 6
Muhlenberg 19	F. & M. 18
Penn State 20	Bucknell 6
Yale 27	Columbia 10
Univ. of Virginia 13	No. Carolina Pre-Flight 13

The Phila. Eagles defeated the Green Bay team 38-13 in the National Football League.

A New professional football circuit named the Trans-America League will be represented by Phila., Baltimore, Dallas, Houston, New York and Los Angeles. Boston and Miami are being considered. Games will be played soon as war conditions permit. All traveling will be by Air Lines.

Associated Press poll rates Notre Dame first North Carolina Pre-Flight 2nd, Army 3rd, Randolph Field 4th, Great Lakes 5th, Navy 6th, Penn 9th in the football world.

Track

In Stockholm, Sweden on Sept. 20th Haegg wins two mile event. Defeats Finland's Viljo Heino in close race. Time 8 min. 51.2 sec. Haegg record for the distance is 4.8 sec. better than this time.

In Helsinki, Finland - Haegg beats Viljo Heino again. This time in 5000 meter race. Time 14 min. 24 sec. Haegg & Anderson were slated for a trip to America to run some races to promote War Bond sales. The trip has been cancelled.

Tennis

Segura of Ecuador defeated Wm. Talbert of Indianapolis in the Third Pan-American Tennis Tournament singles 1-6, 6-3, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1. Talbert and Margaret Osborne, U.S. Champions won the Pan American mixed doubles crown.

Hit Parade

Sept. 30

1. I'll Walk Alone
2. Is You Is or Is you Ain't
3. It Had to be You
4. Time Waits for No One
5. Swinging on a Star
6. It Could Happen to You
7. How Many Hearts Have You Broken
8. I'll Be Seeing You
9. Together

Oct. 7

1. I'll Walk Alone
2. Is You Is
3. Together
4. How Many Hearts Have You Broken
5. Time Waits for No One
6. Swinging on a Star
7. It Had to Be You
8. I'll Be Seeing You
9. Let Me Love You Tonight

Oct. 14

1. I'll Walk Alone
2. Is You Is
3. It Had to Be You
4. Dance with a Dolly
5. Time Waits for No One
6. It Could Happen to You
7. How Many Hearts Have You Broken
8. Swinging on a Star
9. I'll Be Seeing You

More Nonsense

At a U.S.O. Concert a very stout soprano was singing "If I had the wings of a dove, I'd fly--" A rookie in the rear exclaimed "Why, that bird would need the wings of a bomber."

First- She's pretty as a picture.

Second- Yeah! Nice frame too.

Kindly clergyman in pinching a little boy's knee: "And who has nice chubby pink legs?"

Little boy: "Betty Grable."

Modern maiden's prayer: "Dear Lord, please bring him back safe, sound and single."

Pvt.: "What is more beautiful to behold than a pretty girl?"

Pfc.: "Such grammar - you mean to be held."

G.I.: "This castle has stood here for 300 years. Not a stone has been moved. Not a stone has been touched, nothing altered, nothing repaired."

Second G.I.: "They must have the same landlord my folks have got."

"How come you didn't turn out?" demanded the sergeant. "Didn't you hear the bugle blow reveille?"

"Honest, Sergeant, I'm afraid I'm going to be a flop as a soldier. I don't know one tune from another."

Correspondence Column

Paul B. Jones, Sl/c, somewhere in the Hawaiian Islands with the 10th Naval Construction Battalion continues his good work of visiting and contacting the "Amblerites" as they pass through his port. He arranged an Ambler Day in August and hopes to have another one before long. If our boys who read this letter will contact Paul when they are in port, we know they will have an interesting time. Al Dummeldinger, Hugh Lynch, Vera Haff and Paul visit each other frequently. Paul contacted "Ed" Amey before he moved and very recently, Paul visited Ted Dailey, who is nearby. Also, Andy Dressler stopped to see Hugh Lynch one day. On the last "Ambler Day", the boys took several pictures, and through a mistake in developing, they were blurred. We are very disappointed, as Paul had promised to send us some, and we hope they have better luck the next time. Paul has been having trouble with his appendix and was in the sick bay for a few days. We have learned that he is out once more and hope he will not be bothered again.

Too late to be included in our September letter, Grant Buchanan A.M.M.3/c, telephoned to tell us he had been home on leave and was returning to Whiting Field, Fla. We congratulate Grant for making the new rating of A.M.M.3/c. Whiting Field is part of the Naval Base at Pensacola, Fla., and Grant is on the watch for Ambler fellows. He reports having met Arthur Rau.

Pvt. Thomas Queenan, with a Chemical Co., somewhere in Africa, has met three more fellows from home:- Perry Thompson from Ambler; Sammy Rines from North Hills; and Junior Robinson from Norristown. Thomas believes that most of the boys from home know these fellows and will be glad to hear about them.

Sgt. John H. Dailey has changed his A.P.O. several times recently and is back in England again. Bud liked the beginning of the August Newsletter and did some reminiscing. He admits he probably called Ambler "a hole", but since he has been in the Army, "it's the finest place in the world". He paid tribute to Mr. George Myers and said he is a fine mathematician and a better teacher. Bud says that he will never forget Mr. Myers. However, football was probably the only thing Bud cared about at school. He liked the story about Hustle Inn and was reminded of a date he had there one evening. On the way home, his car caught on fire and Bud writes, "Believe me, an air raid couldn't scare me half as much as that mishap did". Recently, Bud went to London on a pass and saw a few of the famous places: - The Palace, Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Bethnal Greene, Marble Arch, Hyde Park and many others. The following is Bud's story and you may "believe it or not." He met a girl in Hyde Park and described her as "the ugliest and dumbest person" he had ever met. It was very boring and Bud suggested a game of golf. She said "Gee, I can't play. I don't even know how to hold the caddy." At last, they agreed on rowing a boat on the river. While lighting a cigarette, Bud accidentally set her dress afire and found it necessary to push her overboard. The girl was very indignant and insisted that Bud had held her head under water. As Bud says, "So much for London".

Major Alfred S. Martin, somewhere in the Pacific Theatre of Operations, thanked us for sending him Wilson MacIntire's address, as Al wanted to congratulate him on his marriage and heir. Al is still watching his old friends drop away in marriage. As he says, "Only one more calamity since I last wrote.--Just like my favorite Phillies, I guess we were meant to play low man on the Totem Pole." Now he has a new concern, as people are beginning to tell him that his niece (Ruth's baby) looks like him and he is afraid it will handicap the youngster. Al writes, "Life moves on in its serene course in these parts. If they don't move us up forward again soon, I am going off in a corner and quietly blow my stack." Apparently Al craves action of some sort and we suspect him of trying to start something as he writes further, "the fighting CB'S, - They sure build beautiful camp sites. Give me the ambidextrous engineers every time. The growl of the big cats, the sharp bite and clang of the shovel, the roar of the dump trucks and the chirping staccato of the rock drills in the night make the symphony I like best. All spare admiration is for the Infantry. Battle lines on the maps denote the position of the infantry and it is tough. We know, because we are right behind them."

We were very glad to hear from Oscar M. Stillwagon, R.M.2/c. on the U.S.S. Bonefish with the Pacific Fleet. It has been a long time since we received a letter from him. Oscar writes, "I would like a change from this land of perpetual sunshine and I expect to

get it soon.--When it comes time to stoke the furnace and shovel that beautiful, slushy, cold, wet snow,--lead me to it--I'm looking forward to just such a treat." Oscar is also looking forward to talking over old times with Wilson MacIntire. However, as Oscar says, "Planes are so much faster than underseas craft. Never the less, I'll be the turtle awhile longer." We reported last month that Wilson MacIntire has already been home and returned to the West Coast and is taking a course in Bombing at a school in San Diego. We hope the boys will meet very soon. Oscar is very modest and doesn't mention this, but we understand his outfit has been cited and he has ribbons to wear.

Sgt. Thomas E. Weaver is on the move again. He was stationed in Hawaii for about two years, then his outfit moved to Saipan. He writes, "Well, I am now in the South Pacific--crossed the Equator, received my Shellback certificate and the beating that comes with it. This place isn't too bad. We go swimming on Sunday afternoon and have ice cream afterwards. Once a week we go out to dinner and have red wine and steak--really hits the spot." Tom hasn't seen Ambler in about three years and thinks it is doing a lot of changing. "Can't imagine lights on the football field--no sir!" On October 10th, we received another letter from Tom, in which he writes,-- "Out here, it is mud, and more mud. Last night it rained this morning our tent reminds me of a boathouse. 'Tis lucky that we put it up on stilts. Also this morning, we enjoyed a slight earthquake." Now, he says that he and Bob Broughton will have to compare notes and will have something to talk about when they get together.

T/Sgt. Raymond E. Gear, returned to Ambler about the middle of September after spending 28 months on the Fiji Islands. He was returned to the States to attend Officers Training School at Aberdeen Md. On Sunday, Sept. 24th, Ray came to call and we are glad to say he looks wonderfully well. We enjoyed talking with him and appreciate having him take the time to drop in on us. We wish him success in his studies.

Paul Ferla Mus. 3/c, wrote to tell us he was going aboard the U.S.S. South Dakota, to which his band has been assigned. They graduated from the Fleet Music School in San Diego on August 1. Paul says he will write again after he gets aboard ship.

Thomas C. Hughes, A.R.M. 3/c Admiralty Islands, reports that he received his copy of the Spike Jones classic, "Behind those Swinging Doors". He asked for it some time ago and we were glad to send it to him. He writes, "You know, when I broke it out, all the fellows sat on my sack, and we had a jam session. I told you it was a real favorite. Naturally--no piano--no trumpet--no harmonica--no 'nuthin', but such sweet harmony!!!!" Tommy says it is pretty hot out there and this is the season changing from Winter to Summer, but he can't tell where one starts and one ends. "It's all the same - H O T!!!!" About the middle of September, Tommy met

Earle Stone, who happened to be living across the road from him. Tommy didn't know Earle very well, but recognized him from High School. However, they had a nice talk. Tommy says Earle is married to a California girl and has gone back to sea.

Pvt. Drayton C. Robb, sent a V-mail letter from Belgium and it was filled with news. He says Belgium is a nice country, with modern factories and the large hotels in the cities, are modernistic in appearance. They have many late model American cars: Ford, Chevrolet, Buick, Oldsmobile, Nash, Reo trucks and other makes. Drayton adds, "Seems funny to see a '39 Buick, etc., with a coal burning outfit fitted on them." When Drayton's outfit moved into Belgium they were received and treated royally. He found that many of the people spoke a little English and he had never seen so many pretty blonde women in one spot as here "in this tiny country." Drayton was very disappointed in not being able to see Paris. He was within ten miles of it at one time, but did not enter the city.

Pvt. Bruno J. Pacos, stationed on Kwajelein in the Pacific, received his first Newsletter and was glad to read about his school mates. He writes, "There are in this one issue at least eight of these names. It really is swell to hear that all of these are still kicking." Bruno has served overseas about four years. In all this time he has only met one Amblerite. Sometime in the Spring, Bruno met Walter Wyrostek on Kwajelein. We hope he will meet some of the other boys some day.

Robert Kleinfelder A.R.M.3/c, "Somewhere in the Pacific," sends us a new address which we appreciate very much. He writes there is very little news of interest to report. They are very busy but find time for an occasional swim or game of handball. Bob says they have a very good dance band out there and enjoy listening to it. However, he writes "I'll still take the good old Hissel and the Juke Box playing String of Pearls." Bob sends his "regards to all the fellows in the class of '43."

Again, we have a wife co-operating and Marion Dressler, who is living in Long Beach, Calif., writes, "In case Andy has forgotten to write in all the excitement of being transferred, please send future issues of "Newsletter" to this address. As soon as he receives his new orders he will give you his new address." We know Andy's friends, as well as ourselves, will be waiting to hear from him.

Pvt. Bruce N. Singer writes that he was eliminated from the Aviation Cadet training and is located at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo. He is now training to be an Armorer. This is a seven weeks course and when completed, he will go on to a gunnery school for six weeks.

Bruce sounds very enthusiastic about this course and we hear he is doing very well. He ends his letter by saying, "Today was pay day, so everybody is happy again for a couple of weeks. I was down to my last few pennies, as is the usual case."

A/C William R. Lunn, located at an Army Air Field, Decatur, Ala., writes, "Things here are going like a house on fire. I will get my twenty hour check this week and that will be a very deciding factor. So I guess I'll just have to get my nose to the wheel. Are we busy upstairs!" Bill wants us to say "Hello to all the boys and girls out there for him too. Best of luck to all and happy hunting. A God's Speed for their safe return."

Pvt. Calvin Ashton, "Somewhere in the Pacific", is still unable to tell us where he is located. However, he was permitted to send a picture Post Card of Noumea, New Caledonian, where he had been previously. He says he is feeling "fine and dandy". Calvin had just received his High School Year Book, which started him dreaming about school again and he decided "school is no play house, but a key to life". Realizing it was too late to think about school, he is taking some of the courses the Army Institute is offering. Calvin says, "It is still blazing hot, and seemingly going to be. The cocoanuts are now falling and they take the place of bombs, as it is no fun to get hit by one." We received a second letter from Calvin just before closing this Newsletter. He continues about the cocoanuts: "I have seen so many cocoanuts that I almost hope that I never see another one, as our Camp sets in a grove of them." At times, he drinks the water from the green ones. He also gets some limes for himself and mixes that juice with his ration of Cocoa Cola. Calvin ends his letters with this;- "God be with us all, and bless us all."

Pvt. James A. Shelly, Jr. is stationed with an A.S.T. Unit, V.M.I., Lexington, Va. He writes, "The life down here is fairly easy compared to what a lot of the Ambler boys are doing, but it still keeps you busy. I have been doing quite a lot of sightseeing in the two months I've been here and the country is really beautiful. I saw Natural Bridge the other week and it is one of the most beautiful sights I've ever seen."

Pvt. John S. Hughes, located at Camp Blanding, Fla., writes "This was my first paper and a great morale booster." We appreciate receiving letters like this, as we like to know what you think of the letter and what you want us to tell you in it. Jack likes the Army life at Camp Blanding and asks us to "send all my best wishes to everyone."

Our first letter from Germany! Sgt. Robert Compton wrote from "Somewhere in Germany", and we were very glad to hear from him. We note he is a Sergeant and we congratulate him. Bob says they are moving so fast, he must read the Newsletter "on the run". He

was reading the last one while moving forward on a half track. Another fellow with him saw the name Ambler on the paper and said he was from Mt. Airy. So he read the Newsletter and the boys had quite a talk. Bob asked us to send this, "I wish you would tell all the boys from Ambler I was asking for them, and wish them all the luck in the world. And I hope to see them all again some day back in good old Ambler." Then he adds this P.S. to his letter, "this is Jerry paper and pen I am using." It is very interesting to know where our boys are these days, and we have learned that John Fluck and Vernon Harp are also "Somewhere in Germany."

On Oct. 9th we received a letter from S/Sgt. Edward M. Halligan that had gone astray. Eddie wrote the letter Aug. 26th. However, it was sent to another party and it took over a month to reach us. Eddie is somewhere in the Pacific and was writing his letter by the light of a lantern. His buddies were trying to sleep, but the typewriter sounded like a Model T running on one cylinder, so Eddie was "rushing against time." He reports, "Bob Hope and his troupe arrived and put on a grand show for the fellows stationed here. We had to wait quite a while for him to arrive as he did quite a few performances on the island before reaching our area, but it was well worth the wait."

Pfc. Frank T. Fertsch sends "Greetings from the Middle West, or I should say the middle of nowhere." Frank is now stationed at Walker Army Air Field, Victoria, Kansas. He congratulated us on the Second Anniversary of this Newsletter, which was last month. Through the letter, Frank found out where Dick Schuler is located. They have been friends since boys and entered the Army the same day; became separated in the Reception Center and met again at Miami Beach, Fla. After that, they again lost contact with each other. Frank is instructing new gunners for the B-29 Super Fortress, and finds it very interesting work. He says the field is very nice and "the fellows are a swell bunch." There is a very good U.S. Center in town and they are doing "a very good job!" There is also "pretty fair" entertainment on the field. Frank enjoyed a furlough at home with his wife and daughter last month and is looking forward to another furlough in January.

Ralph E. Vandergrift, C.M.2/c is stationed at the U.S. Naval Repair Base, San Diego, Cal. Here, they repair the ships and get them ready to return to battle. Recently, Ralph and his bunk-mate, Steve Sowinski, enjoyed a visit to Mexico. He says Mexico is really a beautiful country. At the border, it was necessary to change their money into two dollar bills or silver, as this is the only money acceptable in Mexico.

Pvt. Arnold Dragani wrote to give us his new address. He finished his Basic Infantry training at Camp Croft, S.C., came home for a twelve day furlough and then went on to Camp McCoy, Wis.

A/C William G. Singer, stationed at U.S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., has reached Instrument Squadron in his cadet training. This means flying with a hood over the head. When he finishes this phase of his training, Bill will go to Final Squadron. He will use a multi-engine land based plane for this. Bill has seen Bob Simpson and Art Rau at Pensacola. Bob was in Final Squadron when Bill arrived at the Base and Art Rau just preceded Bill through Instrument Squadron. Bill ends with this, "It's nearly ten o'clock, which means 'sack-time' in our outfit, so I'll say 'bye for now."

Pvt. Charles G. Hughes, with the Army Specialized Training Unit, at Blacksburg, Va., is now entering his second term of Engineering. Recently he was home on furlough and fortunately his buddy, Cpl. Russell E. Smith was also home. Russ has just finished Radar School and received his wings. Charles' brother, Jack, is at Camp Blanding, Fla. and his brother, Tommy, is in the Pacific on the Admiralty Islands.

Cpl. Franklin C. Walker, stationed at the 132nd General Hospital in New Guinea, sends a very nice letter commenting on our August Newsletter, #23. He writes, "Seems like it takes a war to bring people together. You say the town has changed and everyone is pulling for one goal. It is funny how little you know of your neighbor until you start working with him. They all are pretty nice people when the chips are down." Frank says things are usually the same out there. It is always hot and now that summer is starting, it is rain and more rain.

Capt. Earl R. Matson, wrote to give us his new address. He has been stationed at Fort Benning since Feb., 1942, and is fortunate to have his wife, the former "Dot" Deck, live nearby. He attended the Officer's Advanced Course at the Fort and graduated last June. He expected to leave, but was assigned to the newly reactivated 2nd Student Training Regiment. Earl suggested that we make up a Special Newsletter and give the names of the boys and girls on our Mailing List. We wish we could do this, but it would not be practical for this reason:- by the time we had this list ready for mailing, a large percentage of the addresses would be changed. However, we will and have done this:- if you are interested in any particular person or group, write and ask us for their addresses and we will gladly send them to you. We have sent several lists to the Pacific and those boys have made good use of them.

We have another letter from the "front lines". It was dated Oct. 4th, Peleliu, Palau and is from George J. Deens, who is now a Chief Warrant Officer with the 73rd Naval Construction Battalion. George has been assigned with the Marines and writes, "I can say this - they don't lack excitement and I don't want to make any more beach heads." When George went to the Pacific, about 18 months ago, he took part in the battle for Munda on New Georgia in the Solomon Island group. He continued to be stationed there until he made this recent move.

Robert H. Davies, A.M.M.2/C, with the U.S.S. Coral Sea somewhere in the Pacific, wrote to give us an addition to his address. Bob was "In Port" when he wrote and reports seeing Andy Dressler for a few minutes. They did not have time for a long talk as Bob was due to get back "aboard."

The Couples Club of the Presbyterian Church held its first meeting of the Church held its first meeting of the season on Sept. 29th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leidy B. Heckler. It was rather a large meeting as many of the new comers here in town have found their way to the Presbyterian church and the Couples Club. Supper was served after which a short business meeting was held. The speaker of the evening was Mr. J. Walker Williams of Plymouth Meeting who is head of the gas rationing panel of our local board. He cited examples of the unreasonableness of people who came before them. Most of the cases were so stupid they were humorous. We assure you that we do not complain. We are proud to be able to do without things in order that this war may soon be over and you'll all be back with us. The next meeting will, of course, be a Hallowe'en party and we'll try to tell you about some of the funny costumes in our next letter. It would be more fun if you could see them. Maybe next year some of you will, who knows?

On October 8, 1944, the Senio Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian Church held a covered dish supper for new members. All young people out of high school are eligible for membership in this Society. Rev. Joseph John Stoudt, the new pastor at Boehm's Reformed Church at Blue Bell, was the speaker of the evening. Rev. Stoudt recently received a medical discharge from the Army, having served as Chaplain with the infantry. His message was very inspiring. He read several excerpts about the German people's religion and their faith taken from notes he made while studying in Germany. The evening's program ended with a song service conducted by Mr. H. Raymond Mottshaw, organist.

You will hear from us again in November. Meanwhile, our thoughts and prayers will be with you as always. Rev. Dunsmore sends you the following message:

This month I will use my part of your letter to give you the "Seaman Version of the 23rd Psalm" written by Captain J. Rogers, and put in a letter to me from Harry Cullingford, S2/C:

"The Lord is my Pilot; I shall not drift. He lighteth me across the dark waters. He steerest me in the deep channels. He keepeth my log. He guideth me by the star of holiness for His Name's sake. Yea, though I sail mid the thunders and the tempests of life, I shall dread no danger; for Thou art with me. Thy rod and Thy care, they shelter me. Thou preparast a harbor

before me in the Homeland of Eternity. Thou anointest the waves with oil; my ship rideth calmly. Surely sunlight and starlight shall favor me in the voyage I take, and I will rest in the port of the Lord forever. Amen."

Maybe one of you fellows in the Army or Marines would know of an Army or Marine version of this helpful Psalm - or you might write one, and send it to me. And since the above will appeal most to those in the Navy, here is a closing thought for you who are on the land - "A mighty Fortress is our God, a Bulwark never failing!"

Sincerely,

The King's Daughters.

Helen R. Macomber

NEWS LETTER NO. 26

92 Bethlehem Pike
Ambler, Pa.
November 15, 1944.

Dear

By the time most of you receive this News Letter Thanksgiving Day of 1944 will be a memory only. We hope that you had a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings and as pleasant a day as possible under the circumstances. We Americans still have much for which to be thankful. Our homeland is still unscarred--peace rests upon our towns and cities and ours is still a land of plenty. Victory is assured and because of the sacrifices you are making our country will live on. For all of these things we are thankful.

Some of you are so far distant that Christmas will be approaching when this Letter reaches you. We hope that you will receive the many packages which are on route overseas. Fifty million gifts are on the way and in our Ambler post office 2,249 sacks or approximately 22,490 packages of Christmas mail were handled which is proof that we folks back home have not forgotten you. Surely this is the last Holiday Season that you will be fighting in Europe; and we hope that it is the last Christmas that there will be fighting in any part of the world. We pray that never again will humanity have to suffer the horrors of a great war. World peace is uppermost in our minds and hearts today and as Christmas nears we lay special emphasis on Peace and Good Will. We pray that soon the Christmas Spirit will become universal. Wherever you are this Holiday Season you will be in our thoughts and prayers. We extend to each and everyone of you a warm and friendly word of cheer.

There is much activity at the High School these days. The football season will soon be over, however, there is still a great deal of interest being shown in the games.

Due to a severe wind and rain storm the Springfield-Ambler game could not be played on October 20th as scheduled. It was a big disappointment to the many fans who had looked forward with much enthusiasm to the game, however, it was played on Monday evening October 23rd. Approximately 4000 spectators saw Springfield defeat the Trojans 39-7. It was the 18th straight victory for Springfield who had not been defeated since 1942. However, on Nov. 3rd Doylestown High pulled a big surprise and halted the unbeaten and unscored on Springfield 7-0 after the latter had won 19 straight.

Ambler won their third game of the season by defeating the Hatboro eleven 13-6 on the latter's field. As usual Frank Carter played an excellent game. Jack Haywood, substitute, proved to be one of Ambler's future stars. He blocked a Hatboro kick which

in turn netted Ambler's second touchdown and won the game.

On Friday night, November 3 in the last night game of the season Ambler defeated Jenkintown, 13-7 in its first set back of the season. It was one of the best high school games of the year. The score was 7-6 in Jenkintown's favor until the last quarter when with two minutes to play Frank Carter drove over the goal for the second Ambler score. Camasso threw a pass to Leh, Ambler left end, for the extra point.

On Saturday November 11 Lansdale defeated Ambler 21-6. Camasso scored for Ambler. On that same day Doylestown High received a jolt when Hatboro stopped them in a 6-0 victory.

The High School was very successful in its recent Scrap Drive--2860 lbs. of tin cans were collected. The money was donated to the Ambler Recreation Council. On Friday evening, October 27, the Rotary Club sponsored a program at the High School in which D. K. Ernst, hypnotist entertained. The proceeds went to the Recreation Council. Thirty boys and girls of high school age were his subjects. He put them in trances and while under the hypnotic influence had them lead an imaginary band, play marbles and various other things. One girl described 95% accurate a living room she had never seen. Two other subjects were told that when they were awakened from their trance, they would again go to "sleep" when certain words were pronounced and sure enough they did. It was a very humorous, interesting and fascinating program.

The following servicemen have visited their alma mater recently. Corp. Tech. Hayes Hoffman, Sgt. Melvin James, Sgt. Charles Smart, T/Sgt. Raymond Gear, Pfc. James Finore, Sgt. Patsy Zollo, Lt.(j.g.) Lentz Rothwell, Red Cross Director Angelo Menna, Pvt. William Ball, Sgt. Daniel Signore, ROTC Jack Holz, S 1/c Kenneth Haldeman, Pvt. Lambert West, Pvt. Edgar King, Pfc. George Hastings, Pfc. Russell Benigno, V-12 Trainee Franklin Wright, Pvt. Gilbert Huber, Pvt. Ernest Smith, Ensign George Mullahy, Pfc. George Rawlins and T/Sgt. Carl Caputo.

The first appearance of Clifford Geary's dance orchestra greeted and enjoyed by over 200 boys and girls at the regular Social Night sponsored by the Recreation Council on Saturday evening November 4th. Fifteen High School students and alumni comprised the orchestra. A special feature was the two pianos played by Boris MacEwan and Toby Wright.

Now for some Local News:

Ensign Benjamin Towne and Miss Ruthe Herrmann of Ferguson, Mo. were married on November 8 at the Naval Air Base Chapel, Jacksonville, Fla. Their friends who were listening early that morning heard the News when LeRoy Miller mentioned it on his radio program. "Ben" is a V.S.B. instructor at Cecil Field, Jacksonville.

Miss Vera Haff, Army nurse, has been promoted to first lieutenant. She is with the Army forces in the Hawaiian Islands. She has been in the service since July 1, 1942. In the spring of 1943 she was transferred to an Army Hospital Ship and served in that capacity for some time. While aboard the ship she had an opportunity to visit the historic spots of the Holy Land. Samuel Gilbert Rayne, Jr., has graduated as an aviation machinists' mate from the Naval Air T. T. center at Norman, Okla. His rating is seaman first class.

Ambler Night is becoming an old story at the Stage Door Canteen as it is now in its third year with most of the original contributors carrying on and extending hospitality to many returning boys who remember attending Ambler Night before leaving the States. Once those delicious home made cakes and pies are tasted, they are never forgotten and many service men in the outlying districts of Philadelphia make it a point to be present when Ambler Night rolls around. Another niche of the Academy basement is being converted into a game room to provide amusement for the wounded service men. Samuel Firman of the Seabees, who is stationed in California, has been spending 15 days with his wife and son. Walter Dummeldinger has been spending a few days at his home. Pvt. Harry Z. Landis, who has been in Normandy has now arrived in Holland. He writes that the scenery is beautiful.

Pvt. Ralph S. Bishop with the Air Transport Command in India, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the Air Medal. Daniel Stone has finished his training as a gunner's mate at Great Lakes, Ill. Kenneth Amey, ARM 3/c is at San Diego, Cal. Pvt. Joseph Organski, who is with the 2nd Ranger Infantry Battalion, was cited for outstanding performance of duty while in action in the invasion of France. The Battalion was assigned the mission of securing two separate sectors of the beachhead and in so doing faced not only terrific enemy fire, but also mines and hazardous underwater and beach obstacles. George Mullahy has graduated from the U. S. Naval Reserve Midshipman's School, Columbia University and is now an Ensign.

Pfc. Peter Pileggi, who was wounded in France on July 11, has returned to action. Corporal Harry Dickinson has been promoted to Sergeant. Harry has been in the army nearly three years and has been overseas six months. He is located in India. S/Sgt. Charles H. Lee, Nose Turret Gunner, has been awarded the distinguished unit badge as a member of a veteran 15th A.A.F. Liberator Bomber group which has been cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict against the enemy. He was missing for 17 days in July when his bomber was shot down over Yugoslavia.

Second Lieutenant George Brumbaugh, a new member on our list, who has been an instructor on a B-17 at Ft. Meyers, Fla. for the past months, left Ambler on October 16 for Lincoln, Neb., from which point he will leave for another base for operational training.

Pvt. Leonard Petrov was killed in Germany on October 10. He had been overseas for two months. His wife and four children live at Lansdale. A Memorial Service was held on Sunday, November 5 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Ft. Washington for Pfc. Norman Donald Jones who was killed in action on the Island of Tinian on August 1st. Pfc. Frank Monaco who was wounded in France July 31, but has since returned to duty, has received the Purple Heart. His brother Joseph has served with the armed forces in Hawaii for four years. Pvt. Robert S. Wood has arrived in England. Pvt. Hugh Gehman has returned to Shaw Field, Sumter, S.C., after spending a few days with his parents.

We congratulate Oakley Hoyt on his promotion to Lieutenant (j.g.) He is located at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md. He, accompanied by his wife and son, John, of Washington, D.C., recently spent 9 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Hoyt.

Rev. Charles A. Platt, former Ambler pastor, was speaker for the recent Beaver College Religious Emphasis Week. He spoke at the Sunday evening chapel service preceding which was an Informal Tea where students were given an opportunity to meet Dr. Platt. He held services on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. After each service he met with the students in discussion groups. Miss Gloria Simpson has returned to State College after spending a few days with her parents. Lt. (j.g.) Norman L. Jones, USCGR, who has been stationed in the Caribbean area for the past 14 months, is visiting his wife and daughter, Kaynor.

Never was there so much excitement over an election as on November 7th when Franklin D. Roosevelt was re-elected for his fourth term. It was a bitterly fought campaign but now that it is over we are relaxing and back in the old routine again with everyone carrying on as usual.

Corp. Walter Gouak has been reported missing since an army engagement in France on September 19. Lt. Benjamin Bell, stepson of Judge Harold G. Knight was killed on October 8 while fighting with a battalion of Marines of the First Marine Division in the Pololui Islands. Pvt. James Shelly, son of Dr. and Mrs. James A. Shelly, spent the weekend of October 28th with his parents. "Jimmy" is attending V.M.I. at Lexington, Va., where he is studying engineering under the A.S.T.R. program. He entered the Army on August 2. Miss Caroline Shelly of Wellesley College, and her fiancé, Robert Mack, of the Harvard National Research Laboratory, Boston, spent the same weekend at home. Corp. and Mrs. John Shoemaker have been spending two weeks with relatives in this vicinity. John, who is in the Marine Corps, is stationed at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station, Texas. S/Sgt. John J. (Mickey) McFadden of the Personnel office, Hendricks Field, Fla., with the exception of four days at a recreation center, has spent his entire life at one

Hendricks or another. He was born and lived at 40 Hendricks Street, Ambler, until he went into the service. Since then he has been at Hendricks Field for 2½ years.

Lt. Carl E. Lorenz, senior surgeon of a special U.S. Naval Construction Battalion, who has been serving in the Aleutians, is now in this country and is expected to arrive at his home in Plymouth Meeting soon for a short leave. He has a young daughter, Carol, whom he has never seen. The older daughter is three years old. He left the United States in April 1943 for service at Dutch Harbor. Later he was transferred to Adak near Kiska.

Pvt. Gilbert Huber was home from Penn State on furlough for 10 days before being transferred to Parris Island, S.C. Donald Meng was one of 22 officers from Pennsylvania who recently graduated from the Eastern Signal Corps Training Center, Ft. Monmouth, N. J. S/Sgt. William Marsden has received the air medal and Oak Leaf Cluster. He has flown 12 missions over the continent and is now serving as waist gunner and assistant engineer on the B-24 Liberator "Arkansas Cultivator". Sgt. Sam Dailey, with the Mustang Fighter squadron, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Sam repairs, maintains and loads the 50 cal. machine guns, lining the wings of the high altitude fighters in his squadron. Marine Sergeant Frederick A. Serral, who has spent 19 months overseas, is now enroute to a Pacific Base with a field artillery unit. When he thinks of his buddies who were killed near him at Tulagi and Guadalcanal, he feels that he has a bill to pay for them. He wears a Presidential Unit Citation ribbon, an American Defense ribbon and an Asiatic Pacific ribbon with three stars. The new officers of the Ambler Legion Post are as follows: Commander, Walter P. Dickinson; first vice commander, Edward Cope; second vice commander, William Knoblauch; Adjutant, Alexander Willox; finance officer, Henry K. Faust; Chaplain, Ensley Graham; executive committee, Bernard Windenfeld, Norman Taylor, Samuel Wright, George Knott.

You may be assured that you will receive the News Letter for several more months at least since Mr. Ralph H. Drew of The Paper Manufacturing Co. has been able to obtain a fairly large supply of paper for us. Because of the shortage it is very difficult to buy it so we greatly appreciate his kindness and cooperation.

On November 14th the Ambler Youth Council held its second annual banquet in the Assembly Hall of the Ambler Presbyterian Church. Miss Elizabeth Howell of the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education was the guest speaker. The group was led in fun by Mr. John Saffin of Philadelphia and Mr. Raymond

Mottshaw had charge of the singing. Miss Betty Boehner was the soloist and Mr. Earl Brooks and Robert Stuart entertained the group with piano and Hawaiian guitar selections. Sixty young people attended the banquet and a grand time was had by all.

On October 29th the Ambler Youth Council Worship was held in the Church of the Brethren at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. Ralph Davies was in charge of the service and presented a picture interpretation of Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane. The next worship will be held November 26 in the Episcopal Church. Miss Shirley Klein will be in charge.

On Sunday, October 22, the Senior Choir of the Ambler Presbyterian Church presented an Autumn Cantata at the St. Stephens Methodist Church of Germantown. Following the Cantata the choir was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mottshaw, organist of the Presbyterian Church.

NONSENSE

It's tough to find
For love or money
A joke that's clean
And also funny.

Dentist: I'm sorry, but I'm all out of gas.

Girl in Chair: Heavens! Do dentists pull that old stuff, too?

"May'nt I be a preacher when I grow up" asked the small boy.
"Of course, you may, my pet, if you want to," his mother replied.
"Yes, I do. I s'pose I've got to go to church all my life anyway, an' its a good deal harder to sit still than to stand up an' holler."

Speed Test

"Is it true wild beats in the jungle won't harm you if you carry a torch?"

"That all depends, my friend, upon how fast you carry it.

Overheard at the station: "You need a tonic, Rabun. You're beginning to look like the picture on your ID card."

"I just left a deposit on a new spring hat", said the little bitd to the other as they flew over the village.

Here's more News:

Captain Robert R. Smith, former Ambler Physician, is a Flight Surgeon and enjoys his work very much which of late has taken him into France and Belgium. He thinks Brussels is a swell town and

among other things was fascinated by the beautiful crystal glassware and lace work which he found there. He has received the Presidential Citation for work done in connection with Troop Carrier on and around the Normandy Campaign and has also been awarded a Battle Participation Star to be worn on his European Theater Ribbon for participation in the campaign against Germany. Elmer H. Ott, Jr. S2/C is at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Sanford, Fla.

Jeanne S. Rile and Nancy J. Wilson have enrolled in the freshman group at Penn State. Pvt. William MacEwan is a draughtsman with an Engineer's Construction Battalion in New Guinea. 2nd Lt. William Huber has been assigned to a B-24 Liberator.

Lt. John J. Hatch, Thunderbolt fighter pilot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hatch of Whitemarsh, who was previously reported missing, was killed in action on August 5th. He held the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster and was credited with the destruction of four enemy aircraft. The following have been inducted into the army: Joshua Gaskins, Joseph Gigliotti and Edward Catanzaro. Bertram Johnson has begun his training in the Marines. Pfc. Norman Mortimer has been wounded twice in the past four months while serving with an infantry division in France. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in Italy.

Pvt. Michael Lepore, who was born in Italy, recently became a naturalized citizen of the U.S. in a ceremony in which 94 soldiers took the oath of allegiance and citizenship at headquarters of Lt. General Mark W. Clark, Fifth Army Commander, in Northern Italy. The new citizens consisted mostly of infantrymen, tankmen and artillerymen who a few hours before had been fighting a bitter German enemy in the rain soaked Apennines. Michael has been in the army nearly a year and has been overseas two months.

Sgt. John Amey, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., Ruth Wood, Y3/C, Cape May, Pfc. Earl Wood, Orlando, Fla., Corp. George Lightcap, Ft. Benning, Ga., Mary Dickinson, Y2/c, Washington, D. C., Cadet Howard J. Dager, Jr., West Point, Franklin Wright, A/S, Pvt. Samuel Jago, and Pfc. John Smith have recently visited their families in Ambler.

Pvt. "Dick" Rohrman is in the Ashford General Hospital, West Virginia. Adolph L. Lindquist has been home on furlough from Keesler Field, Miss. Before arriving he had crushed one finger very badly and had it in a splint. Sgt. and Mrs. Raymond T. Aures of Florence, S. C. have been spending a few days in Ambler visiting his mother, Mrs. Hazel Jane Aures.

Mr. William Sailer has a position as guard at the Montgomery County Prison Farm at Eagleville, Pa. and likes it very much. Pfc. John (Jack) Schoenberg who is overseas is in a hospital recuperating from injuries received in a bad fall. Hugh Bullard is home on a 12 day furlough from Warrington, Va.

2nd Lt. "Ed" Sage is out of the hospital and back on the job probably flying. Major and Mrs. John E. Stewart are visiting his family in Ambler. He is stationed at the Army Air Field, Casper, Wyoming.

Pfc. Alfred Kirk is a new name on our list. Capt. T. E. Henderson, former Ambler Physician, is still stationed at a hospital in Italy. Richard Gump, PhM2/C is attached to a US Naval Unit somewhere in China. The marriage of Lt. (jg) Heber T. Meyers and Miss Elizabeth Evelyn Slesman will take place at the Calvin Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, at 7 P.M. on November 18th. A reception will be held immediately following at the Walnut Park Plaza.

Two new names on our list are John Spears, Jr. who has begun his "boot" training at the Naval Training Center, Sampson, N. Y. and A/C George D. Morrison who has recently been home on furlough from the Bainbridge Army Air Field, Ga.

M/Sgt. Charles King has arrived safely in the southern part of England. Pvt. William T. Weir, a new name on our list, has also arrived in the southern part of England. Capt. George Lutz and Corp. John Robert (Bob) Lutz, recently met in France. They had not seen each other for a long time. Pvt. Charles "Bill" Camburn was recently transferred from the Infantry at Ft. Jackson, S. C. to the air forces at Keesler Field, Miss. He arrived home Nov. 7th for 19 days and will then leave for California. Pfc. James Ward who has also been in the Infantry at Ft. Jackson, S.C. along with "Bill" is now with an Engineering Combat Battalion on the West Coast. Pvt. Donald L. Gerhart is in France. His brother, Robert S1/C is on a USS Blimp assigned to the Atlantic Fleet.

A/C J. R. (Bob) Simpson, 3rd, who has completed his training, is in pre-operational school for 3 weeks at Pensacola Naval Air Station, Fla. "Bob" has been picked for dive bombing. Pvt. Franklin B. Smith is recuperating from an operation and is in the hospital at Camp Wheeler, Ga. Pvt. Gordon Dudley Deck and T/5 Thuxton Deck are both in Belgium. "Tuck" is driving a jeep for an officer of the First Army. Dudley writes that he is following Tuck's footsteps and the distance between them is getting shorter all the time. He recently rode in one of the famous Forty and Eight Box cars (he doesn't think it had been cleaned since the first war) and he writes that it can now be told that he was at Valognes and Granville. William Hough, A/S is receiving his "boot" training at Bainbridge, Md. His twin brother, Charles, who is in the Navy V-12 School, has recently transferred from the University of Pennsylvania to Swarthmore College. "Bill" Williams has been promoted to RDM3/C. He is still on the USS Niobrara with the Pacific Fleet. Sgt. James (Jim) Williams has moved from Charleston, S. C. to Richmond, Va. He is in the Base Finance Office. Corporal Richard W. King is back in the combat zone of the ETO with a signal company. John F. Keator, A/S was home recently after completing his "boot" training at the Sampson Naval Training Center.

Pvt. Herman Ashton is traveling about in France with a general service regiment. Geraldine Spears and Jean Garritt, members of the Methodist Church and new names on our list, have joined the WACS and left Nov. 11 to begin their training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. The Girls Club entertained Geraldine at a dinner and theater party in Philadelphia on Wednesday evening, November 8th in honor of her induction into the WACS.

Pfc. Frank King is in Luxembourg. J. Gordon Jervis, who is on the USS Benion with the Atlantic Fleet, has been promoted to GM3/C. J. Gordon (Jack) Meyers Sl/C has finished the Fleet Service School at Norfolk, Va. and is now back on his former ship the USS Nelson of the Atlantic Fleet. His Brother, James S. Meyer better known as Sheldon, is now a Sergeant in the Infantry somewhere in the Pacific. Another brother, Carl, USMarine Corps has been promoted to private first class. Lt. George Sandiford is on Saipan with the 6th Marines. He has been going to a school for aerial observation. He writes that Betty Hutton entertained them out there recently.

Pvt. Edgar King was home Nov. 8th on a 12 hour pass. Three new names on our list are Pvt. Thurman M. Wright, Jr., who has arrived in England, Sgt. Alfred L. Renner, who is with the Army Air Force Base Unit at Sheppard Field, Texas, and Pvt. Joseph Del Conte who is at Camp Gruber, Okla. Ralph Vandegrift CM2/C has moved from San Diego to Albany, California to the Naval Landing Force Equipment Depot. 2nd Lt. Donald Betts is at home on leave from Warrensburg, Mo.

The USS Coral Sea on which "Bob" Davies AMM2/C is stationed has been renamed the USS Anzio since the other name is being given to a new supercarrier. Pvt. Albert C. Fluck has moved from Aberdeen Proving Grounds to Ft. Bliss, Texas. Ensign David K. Hellings, Jr. has been assigned to the USS St. Croix with the Pacific Fleet. Pvt. Richard Craig, a new name on our list, has moved from Ft. Warren, Wyoming, to Ft. Benning, Ga. where he is training for a paratrooper. Pfc. Harold Moore, who is in a hospital in France, writes that he is up and around. He has received the Purple Heart. Harold was wounded in action in France on September 17. He has an eight months old son, John, who he has never seen. Sgt. Ralph B. Slutter is in a hospital in Australia. He has been overseas 27 months. "Bob" Cassel, quartermaster 3/C is at Norfolk, Va. where he will attend school the next 4 months. Harvey Eisenhard, who is somewhere in the Marshall Islands, has been promoted from FM1/C to EM3/C. Eddie Wind, U.S. Coast Guard has been promoted to F1/C. He is on the USS Emporia, a patrol frigate, somewhere in the Atlantic. Pfc. Richard A. Harris, USMC is with the Fleet Marine Forces somewhere in the Pacific.

Mrs. William Erhardt is visiting her husband, William Erhardt, S2/C at Memphis, Tenn. The engagement of Miss Marion H. Maxwell, PHM3/C of the WAVES, U.S.N.W.R. of Blue Bell, to Mr. Bertram Nelson Abramson of Philadelphia has been announced. After graduating from

Germantown Friends School, Miss Maxwell spent two years at Mills College, Oakland, Cal. before enlisting in the WAVES. Mr. Abrams, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania in 1937 is an aeronautical engineer at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Mrs. Elmer Ott of Ambler and Mrs. Mildred Osborne of Fort Washington, attended the wedding of Lt. Helen V. Michael and Lt. T. P. White at Ft. Meade, Md. on October 7. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ott and niece of Mrs. Osborne. She is an army nurse stationed at Camp Lee, Va. Lt. White is an instructor in the infantry at Fort Meade, Md. Helen graduated from the Ambler Schools and is known to her many friends as "Mike". She is a graduate of Abington Hospital where she worked until she enlisted.

Ambler's efforts to prevent post war unemployment through a thorough study of both the needs of employers and future employees were recently described by Edward Foulke, chairman of the executive committee of the Ambler Planning Council, at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club. The members of the committee were chosen from Ambler Borough and the adjoining townships. Letters have been mailed to you folks in the service in regard to future plans so that the Council will have some basis on which to work. Already many replies have been received. An industrial committee has been appointed to report on the probable number of positions that will be available after the war. A detailed survey of each large plant is being made. Information is also being solicited on a house to house canvass. After all the information is obtained, the Council will do its best to take care of the unemployment situation. If there is an excess of jobs to be filled it will try to find a way to attract labor into this area.

Miss Clara Spencer, Y3/C, US Coast Guard, has completed her training at Palm Beach, Fla. and spent 10 days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ott before reporting at Norfolk, Va. on Nov. 1st. T/5 Robert Anderson III has been promoted to Master Sergeant in Operations of the 148th Infantry, U. S. Army. Corp. Donald Lapetina has completed the course in flexible gunnery at Harlingen Field, Texas, and is expected to arrive home soon on a seven day "in-transit furlough". James Stevens S2/C, who is stationed aboard a ship in the Atlantic Fleet, has been spending a week with his parents.

Lena and her 23 puppies owned by Lt. Com. W. Newbold Ely of Gwynedd will make their first public appearance at the Golden Anniversary Dog Show to be staged by the Kennel Club of Philadelphia at Convention Hall on November 18. They are unique in dog annals because they are the only litter of such size to survive.

Robert B. Kleinfelder ARM 3/C has left the Hawaiian Islands and is now aboard a carrier with the Pacific Fleet. "Bob" is with the logistic section of the 7th Fleet.

The residents of Lansdale had quite a thrill one day recently when a 135 lb. four-point buck ran wild in the Lansdale movie theater. Apparently frightened from the woods by small game hunters

on the opening day of the season the buck ran through the town, crashed through a plate glass door of the theater, damaged seats, wrecked the organ console after falling into the orchestra pit and then locked itself into a small dressing room under the stage when it knocked over a table closing the door. The Police called the game warden who shot the buck. The damage was estimated at \$500.

The October meeting of the Couples Club of the Presbyterian Church, was, as predicted, a Hallowe'en party. It was held in the basement at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long's on October 27. The guests were met at the driveway by a ghost and led past a mechanic man who lighted a flashlight and rang a bell, just by way of groce. The basement was decorated with the usual corn shocks and pumpkins and the evening was spent playing games, bobbing for apples and of course eating.

The costumes were unusual and varied. It was worth money to see Mr. Dunsmore dressed as a baby. He had on a wig and pink bonnet and a pink sweater, a short white petticoat trimmed with lace and long white panties also lace trimmed - quite a picture! Mr. Mottshaw, the new organist, was dressed in his wife's clothes even to the girdle - he looked cute but spent a most uncomfortable evening. A young naval lieutenant came in civilian clothes and seemed to enjoy his costume more than the others. There were clowns, tramps, Spaniards, gypsies and all the traditional Hallowe'en characters. Maybe next year some of you will be able to come to our party so in your spare (?) time try to think of something very unusual to wear and maybe you'll win a prize, - who knows?

HIT PARADE

Oct. 21

1. I'll Walk Alone
2. Dance With a Dolly
3. The Trolley Song
4. Is You is Or Is You Ain't?
5. Together
6. How Many Hearts Have You Broken
7. It had to be You
8. Always
9. Let Me Love You Tonight

Nov. 11

1. Dance With a Dolly
2. I'll Walk Alone
3. The Trolley Song
4. Always
5. Together
6. How Many Hearts, etc.
7. It Had To Be You.
8. Strange Music
9. I'm Making Believe.

Now for some Sports News: - Football

On Sunday, Oct. 15th, Holy Cross defeats Villanova 26-0. Villanova had won three games this season. This was their first loss. Holy Cross is unbeaten this season. Minisi, Penn's 17 year old star half-back, has received an appointment to the Naval Academy and expects to play on the Navy team next year. Bainbridge beats Camden Blue Devils, of the Eastern Professional League 47-7. It is announced that many of the star players and 15 outstanding football coaches will tour the fighting fronts.

After the games of Oct. 15, Notre Dame ranked first, Army second, Randolph Field 3rd, Ohio State 4th then Iowa Pre-Flight, Great Lakes and Penn 7th.

Penn State on Oct 18th loses 7 of its starting players and 8 others of the squad. All Marine Trainees, they are transferred. In a night game Oct. 20th Temple ties Syracuse 7-7. It rained all night and only 500 spectators watched the game in the Temple Stadium. On Oct. 21st, Georgie Tech defeats Navy. What a thriller! Lead shifts 6 times. First, Jenkins Navy H.B. ran the opening kick-off 83 yards to a touchdown. Try for the extra point failed. No more scoring in first quarter. In second quarter Geo. Tech. made touchdown & extra point. Navy carried ball to 2 yard line but Tech. held and first half finished Geo. Tech 7 - Navy 6. Early in 3rd quarter Navy makes touchdown and point. Score Navy 13 - Tech. 7. Then Tech. scores touchdown and point. Score Tech 14 - Navy 13. No more scoring this third quarter. Fourth Quarter begins and Navy gets to 5 yd. lines, fumbles, recovered by Tech, then Navy smears Tech. player in end zone for safety, 2 points. Score - Navy 15, Tech 14. Then Dinkey Bowen, 17 year old Tech. man kicked a field goal - 3 points. After that Navy worked the ball 58 yards to Tech's 4 yard line for a first down. Navy in the first three downs plunged their way to the 6 inch mark. On the fourth plunge Tech held. Soon, the game was over, Final score - Georgia Tech. 17, Navy 15.

Other October 21st games:

Ohio State 26 - Great Lakes 6
Notre Dame 28 - Wisconsin 13
Villanova 7 - Muhlenberg 0
Bloomsburg Teachers 20 - Drexel 6
Illinois 39 - Pittsburg 5
Lafayette 44 - Lehigh 0
Lincoln U. 2 - Aberdeen 2
Penn State 6 - Colgate 0
Army 76 - Coast Guard Academy 0
Brown 24 - Holy Cross 24
Cornell 13 - Sampson 6
New London S. B. 7 - Worcester Rly. 7
Purdue 26 - Iowa 7

On Sunday October 22nd - Bainbridge defeats Camp Peary 7-0.
Bainbridge still undefeated.

Friday, Oct. 27 in night game Temple & Bucknell tied at 7-7.

Oct. 28th. - Navy 26 - Penn 0. Notre Dame 13 - Illinois 7.
This was a close call for Notre Dame. They trailed 7-6 until the fourth quarter. The great Claude Young, colored sprinter, scored for Illinois running 74 yards for a touchdown, the first time he got the ball. He was injured and taken out of the game on the last play of first half.

Drexel 13 - Lehigh 6
Boston College 19 - Syracuse 12
Colgate 6 - Columbia 0
Dartmouth 14 - Brown 13
Army 27 - Duke 7
Lafayette 19 - Rutgers 6
West Virginia 28 - Penn State 27
Great Lakes 40 - Wisconsin 12
Michigan 40 - Purdue 14
Ohio State 34 - Minnesota 14

November 4th games:

Michigan 41 - Penn 19
Navy 32 - Notre Dame 13
West Virginia 6 - Temple 0
Haverford 13 - Drexel 7
Lafayette 34 - Ursinus 7
Swarthmore 28 - F. & M. 0
Bucknell 26 - N. Y. U. 0
Duke 19 - Georgia Tech. 13
Coast Guard Acad. 20 - Brown 0
Cornell 25 - Columbia 7
Yale 6 - Dartmouth 0
Iowa 27 - Nebraska 6
Northwestern 14 - Minnesota 14
Ohio State 21 - Indiana 7
Purdue 35 - Wisconsin 0
Randolph Field 68 - No. Texas Aggies 0

West Point team, unbeaten, now ranks first. Ohio State 2nd, Navy 3rd.

Friday night, Nov. 10th, Atlantic City Naval Training Station defeated Villanova 25-6.

Saturday, November 11th games:

Penn 35 - Columbia 7
Army 59 - Notre Dame 0
Penn State 7 - Temple 6
Ursinus 2 - F. & M. 0
Swarthmore 21 - N. Y. U. 0
Lafayette 39 - Rutgers 0
Drexel 30 - Bloomsburg Teachers 0
Bucknell 78 - C. C. N. Y. 0
Princeton 16 - Muhlenburg 6
Ohio State 54 - Pitt 19
West Virginia 71 - Lehigh 0
Coast Guard Acad. 19 - Dartmouth 0
Navy 48 - Cornell 0
Yale 13 - Brown 0
Duke 34 - Wake Forest 0
Georgia Tech 34 - Tulane 7

The government officials are expected to permit the Army-Navy to play their football classic in a big city this year. Phila. is trying to get the game. The proceeds, which will be large, will undoubtedly be used for benefits of the armed services.

Baseball

Pepper Martin the star of ten and fifteen years ago was brought back this year to help the St. Louis Cardinals. He played in 40 games, batted .279. He was considered very helpful in winning the pennant. He was released at the end of the season at his request. He will manage San Diego of Pacific Coast League. The American League drew a paid attendance of 4,798,158, a million more than 1943. Detroit in the pennant race until the last day drew more than any other team. Major league baseball teams give \$329,555. to National War Fund & Red Cross. Sixteen games were played for the benefits and every one, umpires, club presidents and players paid admission fees.

Horse Racing

Twilight Tear is declared the top 3 year old of the year. By Jiminy second. Ex-Bullfighter, Teodilo Espejel, turned jockey and rides three winners. One of his wins was the featured Agua Calientes Handicap in which he rode Busy Maid. His other winners were Border Gal and Keene Jack.

A mysterious lady in red visited the tracks with a system that so far has worked. With plenty of cash she plays \$25,000 on the favorite to show. Winning about \$2500 for the risk. So far she has made several such bets and collected every time.

More Nonsense

Hotel Proprietor: - Do you want the porter to call you?

Guest - No, thanks. I awaken every morning at seven.

Hotel Proprietor - Then would you mind calling the porter?

Observation of the Week (From South Pacific GI's letter to his pal in the states:

"They're neither too young nor too old - there just ain't any."

Marine veteran: "And then the bullet hit my helmet and went careening into space."

Bluejacket bystander: "That I can believe!"

A sailor suspected of turning in a false alarm at San Diego, Cal. gave police this explanation:

He was standing on the street minding his own business when an attractive WAVE walked by. She was so beautiful, he added that he swooned and fell against the alarm box setting off the siren.

This Week's Definition: Shot - - - that which, if some people have more than one, they are half.

A soldier who recently was transferred to a carrier pigeon outfit was busy cleaning out the cage. He sang as he worked. A passing captain commended, "Good heavens, don't tell me that you enjoy doing that."

"Sir," the soldier replied, "before I came here I was in the cavalry."

Another definition: Adam, the first man to be awarded an Oak Leaf cluster.

Correspondence Column

Paul B. Jones, S 1/c, is back in the Disbursing Office of the 10th Naval Construction Battalion, out in the Hawaiian Islands. He has been moved around lately and really liked his work with the 3rd U.S. Naval Const. Regt. At his present base he has liberty once a week and must walk half a mile to the bus for town. However, he plans to pay Ted Dailey another visit and will try to locate Albert Snyder and get acquainted with him. Once again Paul sent us a novel Seabee V-mail letter showing two Seabeas in the good old American pastime of playing baseball and counting "STRIKE 3!" on a Nazi. When we were just about to close this Newsletter we received two more novel V-mail letters from Paul. We wonder where he gets them. One is entitled "How to get into a Cocoon in ten easy lessons - using the Seabee Method.", and the other is a Thanksgiving Greeting.

Pvt. Calvin Ashton, "Somewhere in the Pacific", received his September Newsletter in fourteen days which is exceptionally fast for that area. He reports the weather is just about the same, and in addition to the lizards he wrote about in his last letter, he has seen some pretty large frogs. Calvin reads his Newsletter very carefully and has decided that practically all of his old school mates and friends are in the Service.

Donald Paul Roberts, MoMM1/c has been in Australia one and one half years. He is a Motor Machinist Mate at a U.S. Navy Motor Pool, on a wharf, working on the Navy cars, jeeps and trucks. He is quite busy and the time passes very quickly. However, he is waiting for a leave "in the good old U.S.A. and dear old Ambler". Donald has made many friends at the Church he attends. "In fact," he wrote, "all the Australian folks are very kind to us. Rev. Butler is our minister and a wonderful man of God. He speaks from the depths of his soul. The Church is always crowded, A.M. and P.M." Donald wrote a very fine letter and may we give you his closing--"May His love and blessing be and abide in your hearts, while we are all absent one from the other. And may everlasting Peace not be far distant."

Wilson S. MacIntire, A.R.M.2/c certainly gets around since returning to the States. As you know, he returned from his Pacific duty and was home. He reported to the San Diego, Cal. base and was sent back to the East Coast. He is now at a Naval Air Station at Banana River, Fla. He is in a Training Unit and will instruct Radio and Radar, flying about 125 hours a month. Wilson is very happy to be here as he is planning to have his wife and young son, Dick, come down there and live near him. He says Dick has two teeth and can say Da-Da. After they get settled, they hope to do some sight seeing and Wilson is "looking forward to some fine bass fishing." At the time Wilson wrote this letter, the entire base was preparing for a hurricane, which was moving up the coast. He wrote, "Give my best to every one."

Pvt. Michael Angelillis, Jr. is still with a Searchlight Battalion of an Anti-Air Craft outfit, and is now at Camp Haan, Calif. Angelo Bruno is with him and they are hoping to meet some of the other Amblerites who are in California. Mike has been to Los Angeles and the Hollywood Canteen and enjoyed the entertainment. He says the people are very kind and have treated him well. He also likes the Mexican food. He wrote, "Tell all the boys in the Service, I was asking about them." Just before closing this Newsletter we received another card from Mike. He had moved again, from Camp Haan, California, to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. He is no longer with the Searchlight Bn., but is now a Rifleman with the Infantry. While passing through Arizona they were treated by the ladies of a Red Cross Canteen. Mike says, "Very good coffee, too." He writes further, "My arm is very sore as I just got three needles and was interviewed. The recreation is swell, and also the girls. Plenty of beer, too. Tell all the Ambler boys I was asking about them and hope we can all be home soon."

Thomas C. Hughes, A.R.M.3/c, on the Admiralty Islands, writes "We are living in the jungle again right down with dear ole Momma nature. It's what I call really roughing it, but all in all there's lots of fun living that way." Tommy just celebrated his 21st birthday and said he never worked so hard in his life. "An extra pair of arms would be a delightful Christmas present". We recently sent Tommy the song, "Behind the Swinging Doors" and he reports it is getting very popular. They sing it all the time. Now, he asks for the French words of the French Marseilles and they are being sent to him.

Sgt. Thomas E. Weaver, somewhere in the Pacific, writes, "This place here is really something. The tents and the wooden floors and the mud outside. There are twelve foot holes drilled all around the area and almost every night someone or something falls into one. When the water is really deep it is hard to tell just where these holes are and a lot of fellows have fallen in when the hole is filled with water and do they get wet--man, oh man. So far, I've been lucky.--The swimming and boating are still

the only things to be done around here. The Red Cross girls are surrounded six deep, so all I can do, is look over at them." Tom says he has not met anyone from Ambler at this location. However, Bob Broughton had been stationed there before Bob's recent return to the States.

T/S Herbert J. Luxton, Jr., stationed in New Guinea says the other fellows in Service would call his daily routine and manner of living "a rest cure." It is really soft. "Work begins in the shop at 7:00 A.M. and ends at 4:00 P.M., with a full hour for lunch." When working hours are over, they "could go in town, but there isn't any." Sunday is a day of freedom. The boys take advantage of this and scatter in all directions in everything from a jeep to a 4-ton wrecker. Herb has done some hunting, but "the natives are usually a jump ahead of him. In his off time he goes swimming or takes a trip to the Air field. Their only diversion during the week is the movies shown three nights a week at the ORD-PHEUM, the local open air theatre for all Ordnance Companies. Herb says he has noticed they get the new pictures before we get them here at home. However, they have a few disturbances like film breaks and frequent rain. Their Company Area is said to be one of the best at the Base, and they are very proud of their construction and cleanliness; electric lights; cots; wooden floors in the tents; cement floor in the mess hall; shower room; radios and a Company laundry. They are also very proud of their Basketball team. In a league composed of teams from all companies at the Base, "the 915th finished on top." Herb sends the following: "You've no doubt heard about the New Guinea mosquito. Well, one just crashed, destroying two tents and the rear end of the Mess Hall. Good thing it wasn't a big one."

Warrant Officer Samuel P. Worthington stationed at the Woodrow Wilson General Hospital, Staunton, Va., sends the following: "In our daily bulletin or hospital newspaper the first item stated that 'Fire Rehearsal will be held in the Chapel at 7:45 P.M. All Civilian and Military Personnel are invited to attend.' I had never heard tell of such a gathering so inquired around around that through someone's error it was thus published. What was intended for, was 'Choir Rehearsal.' When I called up our Chief Chaplain, Col. Titus, to kid him about it (the notice originated in his office) he told me the following story: - 'General Blank had returned to this country from active duty in the European Theater of Operations. He visited in his home town and the little daily newspaper recorded his visit thus: - General Plank, a battle-scarred veteran of the European campaign is visiting relatives here. The general was enraged when he saw this item and demanded that a correction be printed in the next edition. Accordingly the next day the news carried the following item: General Blank a battle-scarred veteran of the European Campaign, etc. etc.' All of which goes to show you, you can't win!" Sam was home recently and expects to make another trip up this way about Nov. 19th.

Pvt. Earnest T. Smith, was home on a pass recently and stopped to call on us. He looks wonderfully well. Earnie is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and at the present time, is doing personnel work in the Office of the Paratroop Regiment. He is still interested in athletics and is a member of a Basketball Team. They are practicing in the evenings and Earnie has promised to tell us more about their progress.

Anne E. Burton, Y3/c stationed in Washington, D.C., and living at the Waves Quarters, Arlington Farms, Va., is a new member on our mailing list. She has received her first Newsletter and wrote a very nice letter of appreciation. We are very glad to receive these notes, for we are then sure the boys and girls want us to continue these letters.

Lt. William M. Hayward, somewhere in England wrote us a very interesting letter and didn't say a word about himself. On a recent leave, he had gone over to see Dick Hoyt and found that Dick was no longer there. Bill was told that Dick is now an instructor at a Technical Training School. Bill also reported seeing Bob Gerhart's name in the American Red Cross' State Address Register in London. Now, for some news of Bill. The following news appeared in our home town papers, The Gazette and Ambler-White-Marsh Valley News and had been sent directly to them from the War Department. "1st Lt. William M. Hayward, a member of the Eighth Air Force Fighter Station has recently received commendations from higher headquarters for their meritorious work. This section is part of Col. Joe L. Mason's high-scoring Mustang Group which has accounted for close to 500 enemy aircraft in the air and on the ground. A radio location section serves an important function in modern aerial warfare. Its prime duty is to guide aircraft back, after a mission over the continent. It also relays messages from airborne commanders to headquarters and provides extended communications for rescue of pilots floating in the North Sea or the English Channel. When Secretary of War, Henry L. Stimson, visited this fighter group, he praised its high ratio of ten enemy aircraft destroyed for the loss of each one of its own. He attributed this record partially to the high degree of teamwork between ground and air personnel."

Sgt. George R. Fertsch, somewhere in England, has been on detached service to Southern England. The trip was made by truck which gave George an opportunity to see parts of the country he otherwise would not have seen. While down in southern England, he visited London for a weekend. George says, "The lights are definitely not on in London! This I learned by bitter experience pulling over innumerable objects and colliding with innumerable people!" However he had a very good time and visited many places of interest--Westminster Abbey. St. Paul's Cathedral, Parliament Buildings, 10 Downing St.--"which, in spite of the important events taking place there, is just a little 'hole-in-the-wall' on a little 'two-by-four' street." On his way back they stopped at Stratford-upon-Avon for the evening and George reports that the American Red

Cross Headquarters there are beautiful and one of the best over there. George was glad to get back to his own base and is convinced that as far as living conditions go it is the best base in England. "And also," George writes, "the street lights are on in town here!" Bing Crosby was at George's base a few weeks ago and put on a very good show. Also, about two weeks before Bing's visit, Glenn Miller brought his G.I. band to the base. "It was a solid treat for the "Jive fans. He played all his old tunes that we used to hear on the Juke box at Hustle Inn." George sends this--"Please send my regards to everybody in the Services from the old Home Town--and may we all be back there very soon!"

Pericles Della Loggia, S.M.3/c somewhere in the Pacific with the Amphibious forces on L.S.T.66, writes, "if any of the home town boys ever see those numbers on an L.S.T. tell them to have the Signalman on their ship buzz me with the flags or the light." Perk is now "sweating out" his eighteen months down there. He closes with this--"Say hello to the boys for me."

Benjamin Burr Camburn, A/S is receiving his boot training at the Great Lakes, Ill., Naval Training Center. He says they are doing a lot of work but it keeps them healthy and in trim. They were firing .22 rifles which have no kick. Then they were given .30 caliber Springfields which have a kick and everyone had sore elbows and shoulders. Benny says they have had row boating, chemical warfare, lookout and ordnance. He was hoping his Company would win the next drill competition. Benny would like to say Hello to Robert and Donald Gerhart, and was remembering some of his "old school day pals, such as Edward West, Herman Ashton, Calvin Ashton and many others."

Pvt. Winfield N. Stong "Somewhere in England" writes that like everyone else he has been very busy. He finished his course at Sheet Metal School and started on that kind of work. However, he was soon called back to his old job of welding which he prefers. Winny says they have been issued heavy fleece-lined, leather jackets, trousers and boots, which "really break those damp chilly winds that come from nowhere." Winny had the job of painting the fellows' name and state on the jackets. Many reunions resulted from this. Winny had the surprise of finding he had been living in the same barracks for nearly eight months with a fellow from Chestnut Hill. One recent evening the Special Services on his base arranged a dance in one of the hangars and Winny "went up to hear the music and do the heavy looking on from the side line." They had three bands, playing in turn, which gave them continuous dance music. Football is in full swing on the base and basketball practice is starting.

Lt. Andrew Dressler, Jr., sends us the following news about himself:- "As to my orders, they couldn't have been better. 30 days

leave, 3 weeks of damage control school at San Francisco, 3 weeks of school in cargo handling and fire fighting at San Diego, and then a new APA (attack transport), the U.S.S. Clinton at San Pedro." We are quite thrilled to hear this good news and feel that Andy deserves every bit of it. We certainly congratulate him sincerely. He reports having a long talk some time ago in Pearl Harbor with Lt. Comdr. MacCurdy, formerly of MacCurdy and Sholly on Butler Ave. Andy also asked for the address of all Amblerites who might be stationed in San Diego, Terminal Island, Long Beach, San Pedro and San Francisco. We shall try to do this and hope that Andy will contact as many fellows as he did while out in the Pacific on the U.S.S. Kankakee.

Robert J. Broughton, A.M.M.F.3/c is stationed at Alameda, Cal., with the Naval Air Transport Service. He is making three or four training flights each week and by the end of the year he expects to be checked out as first engineer. He will then start making regular trips. Bob is checking addresses with us, so some of you may be seeing Bob before long.

A/C Wm. R. Lunn, stationed at the Army Air Field, Decatur, Ala., writes that he is still extremely busy. He passed his 60 hour check on Nov. 6th, and is now through with his first part of primary training. However, some time during the next six weeks he must obtain twenty-five more hours. Bill says, "This is one swell base, if it only were in the north.--It will be some time though before I will be home. No furlough for at least seven more months. Oh well, there are G.I's in worse positions.--My usual best wishes to all in the Service from Ambler. Just say hello to them all for me and good hunting." Bill still heads his letters, "644 Club."

Theodore A. Williams wrote to give us his new address and rating. He is now S 1/c and has moved from New Guinea to somewhere in the Admiralty Islands. He writes, "I received the Newsletter today. It gives me news from home. Most of the boys like to read the Baseball scores. I sure get a kick out of reading the jokes and the other boys do, too." We are always glad to receive letters like this, as it tells us what you want to hear and helps us keep the addresses up to date. We appreciate it very much.

Pvt. Richard C. Schuler has been moving again. This time he moved from Sardinia back to Corsica and then on to Italy. Since his return to Italy he has moved three times. Dick writes, "I have moved lock, stock and barrel so often that perhaps I should seriously consider being a competitor of Rutherford's moving service." He considers it worthwhile as he has been able to see so many parts of the countries he has been in. Dick comments, "If traveling actually makes one broad minded, then I

should be quite a 'broadminded' person when I get back home. Of one thing I am certain, I didn't have to join the Navy!" Dick says it has been raining for four days and no sign of letting up. Even if Italy has nothing else, it has "plenty of mud, mud and then more mud. Our whole camp is a sea of mud and 'Camp Mud' would be an appropriate name for it." Dick asks us to "send each and everyone of my friends, my best regards." We understand Dick has recently enjoyed a furlough in Rome.

Pfc. James L. Cole, Jr., is Somewhere in the Pacific Area and believes that Bob Kleinfelder is close by. He says it is very hot, "as usually it is." Jimmy reports seeing Pughsley Lane in Honolulu, but doesn't know where Pughsley is now. In his present unit, Jimmy says there are two fellows from Philadelphia and one from York, Pa. He has been in the Marine Corps for one year this past October and in this time he has learned a lot and considers it a great experience. Jimmy added this P.S. to his letter--"Merry Christmas."

John S. Hughes better known as Jack wrote a very interesting letter. You may remember that last month we told you Jack was in a hospital at Camp Blanding, Fla. His left arm had been injured in civilian life in 1940 and had incomplete function of the left elbow. Jack tried very hard to get into the Service and after five trials at Allentown he was accepted and sent to Camp Blanding for his basic training. Later he was sent to Camp Dix, N.J., and was given a Section 10 Discharge. This means he is likely to be called within 24 hours and is rated 1-C with the Draft Board. As a result of his brief Army life, Jack has gained 7 lbs, added another inch to his height and feels fine. He is now back at work in the Leeds and Northrup Company War Plant. Jack is very interested in all his friends who are in the Service therefore, we shall continue to send him the Newsletter.

Following is a message from Rev. Dunsmore:

After taking my space last month for the Seaman's Version of the 23rd Psalm, this month I have an Air Force Version.

"The Lord is my Pilot; I shall not crash. He maketh me to fly in clear skies; He leadeth me down to smooth landings; He keepeth my chart. He guideth me through the pathless ways of the skies for His name's sake. Yea, though I fly through the storms and tempests of life, I shall dread no danger, for Thou art near me; Thy love and Thy care, they protect me; Thou preparest an airport before me in the homeland of eternity; Thou emblazoneth the skies with Thy beauty; my plane flies gracefully. Surely sunlight and starlight shall favor me on the flight I take, and I will abide in the presence of my God forever."

This paraphrase was written by a Presbyterian, Chaplain Edward H. Jones of the Air Transport Command. I would still like to have someone try his hand at a ground forces version, and send it to me.

In closing, may I ask you--wherever you may be and whatever you are doing--to think a moment of that for which you can be thankful to God?"

Sincerely,

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS

Helen R. Macomber



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NEWS LETTER NO. 27

92 Bethlehem Pike,
Ambler, Pa.
December 13, 1944.

Dear

We are so proud of you Ambler folks who are in the service that we just cannot help from singing your praises in every letter and telling you how often we think of you. We on the home front who are reading Ernie Pyle's new book "Brave Men" feel more grateful to you than ever. He has endeared himself to you and to us alike and because he has lived and experienced war with you we know that the things he tells us about you are true. He has given us a deeply human portrait of the men and women in action which makes us feel even closer to you folks in the service. When he says "We will have won this war because our men are brave" we know it is true.

As always at this season of the year there are many activities at the high school. The football season has ended once more. Ambler defeated Quakertown 34-0 on November 16th. On Thanksgiving Day the Ambler Trojans won their fifth and last game by defeating the Souderton Indians 25-0 on the latter's field. Not since 1941 when Ralph Bishop and his associates won 13-6 has Ambler turned in a victory over Souderton.

On December 5th the first team played the second team in a 6-6 deadlock. Ambler won third place in the Bux-Mont League. Frank Carter led in the scoring for Ambler with 66 points. The total number made by Ambler was 175; the total for the opponents netted 98. Springfield High won its third straight Bux-Mont Championship. On December 1st at a high school dance, Kay Bresl was crowned Queen by the football captain, Albert D'Elia. Michael Zollo has been elected captain for 1945.

The first basketball game of the season will be played with Hatboro on December 13. A squad of 30 reported for the first practice.

The High School Students have set a goal of \$30,000 for the Sixth War Loan Drive. It began November 27th and will last four weeks. A minute-man flag will be awarded to the home room which has 90% participation. The school contributed \$565.30 to the United War Chest Campaign.

The play "Junior Miss" will be presented on December 14 and 15. Ann Hickey has the leading role.

The following service men and women have visited the High School recently: Pvt. Bernard Engle, Pfc. Alvin Neigut, Robert Willis, S2/C, Pvt. Bruno Pacos, Lt. Harold Maskery, Lt. James Betts, Lt. Donald Betts, Robert Ambers, S 1/C, Pvt. Edward Zerbenski, Walter Heacock, S2/C, Robert Willis, S 1/C, Elmer Ott, S 1/C, Pfc. Lambert West, William Erhardt, S 1/C, Herbert Smith, S 1/C, Cpl. Donald Lapetina, Ruth Wood, Y3/C and Sgt. John Amey.

Everything in the old home town seems to be running along as normally as possible in your absence. Even though some of you write as if the town had changed we think that upon your return you will find it the same as ever. We are trying to keep it that way. And now for some News of your friends;

Mrs. Willis Ware of Cincinnati, Ohio, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin S. Hoffer. Charles Henry Dager has received an appointment to the U.S. Merchant Marine Midshipman's School which is located at King's Point, Long Island, N.Y. He will begin his training in the near future. Sgt. William Bowers, stationed with the Army Air Corps in Newfoundland, is spending a 10 day furlough with his parents. Cpl. Ralph N. Priest, Jr., USMC and Miss Lillian Nelson were married at Gwynedd Valley on Friday, November 17. Ralph returned to Klamath Falls, Oregon, a few days later.

Oscar H. Stillwagon, Jr., RM2/C, has arrived home on leave. He landed on the West Coast and flew to Chicago. From there he went to Ohio to visit his sister who accompanied him to Ambler. Sometime ago he wrote that he would welcome a chance to shovel some snow. A few days after his arrival we had quite a storm for this time of year so apparently the elements staged it for his benefit. Oscar is a radio mate on the submarine U.S.S. Bonefish in the Pacific area. He left the states approximately two years ago.

Pvt. Walter E. Dummeldinger has completed his signal training course at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. and is in Miami, Fla. awaiting assignment. Sgt. Ralph B. Slutter has arrived in the States after spending 27 months in New Guinea. At the present time he is in a hospital at Mitchell Field, L. I. Pfc. Charles has moved from Ft. Bragg to Camp Ord, Cal. Two new names on our list are T/4 Walter L. Dietrich, stationed at Ft. Snelling, Minn. and S/Sgt. Charles Flanagan, who has arrived in Italy. Charles has been assigned to a B-24 Liberator Group of 15th Air Force. He is a radio operator-gunner and will begin flying combat missions soon. The group of which he is a member has twice been cited by the President of the U.S. for outstanding achievement. Each member of the group is permitted to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge with one Oak Leaf Cluster.

Pvt. Robert G. Kern has arrived in India with the I.C.D.A.T. William Erhardt, S2/C A.O.M. arrived home on leave the first of December after completing his course at the Naval Air Technical

Training Center, Memphis, Tenn. Pvt. Robert Parker who was in training at Ft. Belvoir, Va., at the same time as Pfc. Herman Ashton, was sent to Italy from which place he returned to the States the last of November.

S/Sgt. John (Bud) Siegler, Jr., is now in the Philippines. He reports that the natives were thrilled to see them. He is with the 49th Air Force--in seven days they bagged over 500 planes and are now shooting for the 600th. Pfc. Allan H. Burroughs U.S.M.C., a new name on our list, is at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Col.

Lt. Clifford H. Martin, Jr., who was sent to this vicinity on a mission, was able to spend the week end with his parents, also his wife and son who are visiting in Ambler at the present time. Due to bad weather his plane was grounded at Bolling Field so he spent the night of December 8th with Lt. (j.g.) and Mrs. Oakley F. Hoyt of Washington, D. C. On December 9th he landed at the Willow Grove Air Station and returned to Alabama on Sunday, December 16th on a 15 day leave after which he, accompanied by his wife and son will return to Selma, Alabama. Garland Childs is stationed at Livingston, La., in the same camp with Sgt. Charles A. Willox. Pvt. William T. Weir is with the 9th Army in Germany. A/S Roscoe O. Brady U.S.N.R. is continuing his medical studies at Harvard University, Boston. The name of Sgt. Melvin James, Jr., has been added to our list. He is with the Signal Service Co.

George Berry, son of the late Edward Berry died on December 4th at the Jeanes Hospital, Fox Chase, where he had been confined for six months. His sister, Ida, is serving with the Army Nurse Corps in England and a brother, Frank, is in the Marine Air Corps stationed at Edenton, N. C.

The following have recently spent leaves and furloughs at their homes: Jack M. Meyers, F.C. 3/c, Second Lt. Raymond Betts, Ft. Meade, Jack Luskin, S.K.3/c, Corp. James Betts, Ft. Benning, Ga., Second Lt. Donald Betts, Warrensburg, Mo., Pfc. Albert Walters, Rhode Island, Corp. A. A. Cuifo, Pvt. Horace D. Hoffman, Camp Mackall, N. C., and Pvt. Martin Morris.

M/Sgt. Charles F. King and Pfc. Frank J. King recently met in Belgium and had a grand time together. Frank, who is in Germany had a long, cold drive down to Belgium where he spent the night with Charles. They had not seen each other for two years. Lt. John Hoffa, U.S.N.R. is now stationed in Jacksonville after returning recently from 18 months duty overseas. He was in the African campaign and Italian invasion and was flown back to the states via Eire where he narrowly escaped internment. James Stevens, U.S.N. is somewhere in the Pacific area. Lt. and Mrs. Charles Deuchar and baby daughter are visiting his parents. Charles, who is an engineer with the A.A.F. has been stationed at Alamagordo, N.M. where he has been working with a B-29 combat crew. He has a 16 day leave.

Mrs. Arthur Iliff was made an honorary member and "Daughter of the Regiment" at the annual meeting of the officers of the Eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania volunteer Infantry of the Spanish American War Association. The honor was conferred because as a girl of Cumberland Valley in 1898, she and three other girls collected money to purchase a regimental flag for the Eighth Regiment of volunteers, which was at the time without a flag. The Regiment fought in Cuba, then along the Mexican Border and were finally sent to the Philippines. The flag was placed in the archives in Harrisburg.

Sgt. Walter Dotts, Jr., of Gwynedd Valley and Miss Isabella Algeo of Mt. Airy were married at Greenville, S.C., on November 27. He returned to the states in August after serving 28 months in the Southwest Pacific. The bride is living with her parents while her husband is at Ashville, N.C. awaiting further assignment.

Pvt. William R. Wallace, Jr., and Pvt. Thomas Lutz have won their Paratroop Insignia. Pfc. Harry W. Wood, Jr., is a member of the 614th Ordnance Ammunition Company which has been awarded the Meritorious Service Plaque. His company is with the 14th Army Corps in the Southwest Pacific. Major G. Bickley Stevens, son of Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd P. Stevens, has arrived in India after flying 13,000 miles from Miami. He has been assigned to active duty in the C.I.B. theater with the U.S. Army Engineers.

John F. Keator, S 2/c U.S.N.R. was transferred to the Seabees and sent to Camp Endicott, R. I. after finishing his "Boot" training at Sampson, N. Y. From there he moved to Camp Parks, Cal., where he is now stationed.

S/Sgt. William S. Little now has two Oak Leaf Clusters in addition to the Air Medal. On November 19 Bill was fortunate in contacting his brother, Capt. James Spencer Little, who has recently arrived in England and they had a grand chat together. They are making plans to meet in the near future. J. Harry Cullingford S 1/ arrived in the Hawaiian Islands. Pvt. Edgar King has arrived England.

J. Robert Simpson, III, was commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve at Pensacola, Fla., on November 21st and is now a dive bomber pilot. He arrived home December 1st for a 28 day leave. On Sunday December 10th at 6:30 P.M. he and Miss Mary Rosalind McKinney were married at the home of the bride's parents in Wyncote, Pa. They will spend Christmas at home after which they will leave immediately for DeLand, Fla., where he is to report.

Here's some Nonsense:

One reason a dog is a friend: his tail wags and not his tongue.

There ain't no 'appiness in this world, so we must just be 'appy without it.--A Charwoman.

He swore that he loved her, that he would go through hell for her--and now that they're married, he's keeping his promise.

Pop: Son, be good while I'm out.

Son: I'll be good for a nickel.

Pop: Son, you will never be a real son of mine until you are good for nothing.

Nobbs: So you are undertaking to keep bees during the emergency?

Farmer: Yes, I don't want to miss anything and I've been stung every other way I know of.

1: I met my wife at a dance.

2: My! How romantic.

1: NO! Embarrassing. I thought she was home.

And now back to the News:

Pvt. Michael Lepore is acting as an interpreter at a hospital near Florence, Italy. Cpl. Charles MacPhail is at home on furlough after serving overseas. For more than two years he has been doing ground crew work at an army air field in New Guinea. On December 26th he will go to Virginia to await further assignment. Pvt. George Charlton, with the combat engineers, has arrived in England. We were glad to see W.O. Sam P. Worthington in church on December 3rd.

Lt. Richard P. Slayton, Jr., a co-pilot on a bomber, has arrived in Italy. Soon after his arrival he met Lt. Stewart Davis who is a navigator on a bomber. Sgt. George Charlton has arrived in England.

Pvt. John T. Mortimer recently met Pvt. Thurman Wright, Jr. at an army post in England. Pfc. George Erhardt, Jr., has graduated from the Army Air Forces Central Instructors' School at the Airfield, Laredo, Texas, and is now qualified to become an instructor at one of the Nation's seven aerial gunnery schools.

When Leo Senese who has been in England for sometime, recently left there, his bride, an English girl, came to the United States. At the present time she is living with his parents. Pvt. Gordon Bradley Deck, in a recent letter to his parents, told how he and a small group were isolated for days without food or shelter while fighting in Holland. They were cut off from their contingent and surrounded by Germans. The men had to lie in water filled trenches in order to escape discovery. When rescued they were suffering from hunger and exposure and badly swollen feet and legs. After being sent to several different hospitals, the men were finally sent by airplane to a base hospital in England. Lt. (i.g.) and Mrs. Alexander Knight are being congratulated on the birth of a son

born November 11th. The engagement of Miss Emily K. Ainsworth, Lexington, Va., to Ensign Jack E. Watson has been announced. Jack's name has been added to our list. He is in Miami for subchaser training. Theodore A. (Son John) Williams, S 1/c is in the Admiralty Islands. Sgt. John Dailey and his brother, Sgt. Sam Dailey who are both stationed in England, recently met and had a grand reunion.

Pvt. Robert F. Della Loggia at the Army Air Field, Courtland, Ala., accompanied by his wife is visiting in West Chester at the home of her parents. Sgt. Frank Ferla who has been in England for more than 2 years, recently spent a furlough in Manchester visiting friends. He is attached to Headquarters of the 3rd Bomb Division in England. T/Sgt. Paul Raser has received an honorable discharge from the Service. He completed 50 missions over North Africa and Italy and has been decorated with the Presidential Citation, the Air Medal with eight Oak Leaf Clusters and the A.E. ribbon with two stars. He was credited with one enemy plane shot down while serving as a flight engineer gunner on a B-17. At the present time he is employed at the Navy Yard loading ammunition boats.

Miss H. Paula (Helen) Flower will leave for Palm Beach on December 14th to begin training in the SPARS. S/Sgt. and Mrs. Edward Jensen have been spending a 14 day furlough with his parents. He is stationed at Scott Field, Illinois. Pvt. Robert Rainey, attached to a line company as an aid-man with the 29th Infantry Division has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy.

Miss Catherine Luxton and Mr. W. Gordon Wille were married on November 25th at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Pvt. Charles "Bill" Camburn is with a base unit at the Lemoore Army Air Field, Cal.

We have learned that the French sailors whom we have been seeing around Ambler are members of a crew of a French submarine which is in Philadelphia for repairs. All are wearing citation cords. For the past two months they have been living at the Cox Estate in Penllyn. They expect to be here approximately three more months.

Pvt. Alfred Kirk has arrived in England. Pfc. Frank DiNario who arrived overseas 29 months ago is a member of headquarters squadron of Air Service Command, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in England. Lt. Carl E. Lorenz, who has returned from the Aleutian area, has been transferred to the Fourth Naval District and has been assigned medical officer for the Navy V-12 units at Villanova and Ursinus Colleges.

Mr. Charles Dorrance Jones of Ambler Highlands died suddenly on November 24th after being stricken with a heart attack. He became ill Thursday evening following a large family reunion on Thanksgiving Day at which his two sons, who are in the service and his daughter were among the guests. Mr. Jones has always

been active in civic affairs and will be greatly missed. Major John E. Stewart, stationed at an air base in Casper, Wyoming, has received the Presidential citation for taking part in the now famous Floesti raid staged in Southern Europe early this year. Richard Craig is taking paratroop training at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Capt. George Lutz, Jr., a new member on our list, is now located in France. His brother, Bob, is in Holland. Both Bob and Harry Landis are in the 102nd Infantry. It was Brigadier General Frank A. Keating's 102nd Infantry which in the midst of its preparations to embark for France was called to Philadelphia to help settle the August transit strike. It was one of the divisions which supported the opening of the Ninth Army's drive to the Roer River.

Among the new names on our list are: Thomas Benzenhafer, A.M.M. 2/c with the Pacific Fleet; Cpl. Tech. John Hays Hoffman stationed at Camp John T. Knight, Oakland, Cal; Edward Wesley Kerns, S.M.3/c who is on a U.S.S. LST 127 with the Pacific Fleet; Pfc. Alvin with the Airborne Engineers at Camp Mackall, N.C. and Sgt. Walter C. Sobers, Ft. Sill, Okla.

Pfc. Jack Huber has been spending a few days with his family at his home in Gwynedd Valley. Franklin Wright, A/S of State College visited his parents recently. Charles Kepler, Jr., a new name on our list, left November 24th for Bainbridge, Md., to begin his "boot" training in the Navy. U. Grant Buchanan, 3rd, A.M.M.3/c has been given a part in the play "George Washington Slept Here" which is being given by the Pensacola Little Theater Guild. Merrill Godshall, S 1/c who recently returned from the South Pacific and Pvt. Norman Godshall of Camp Butner, S.C. are visiting their parents.

We congratulate "Chic" Wilcox on his promotion to Sergeant. He is now attached to Headquarters Co. I.A.R.T.C., Livingston, La. He was perviously located at Camp Wolters, Texas. Col. Donald Metina is spending a 12 day furlough with his parents after which he will report to Lincoln, Nebraska.

Major James Dufur, Jr., has been transferred from the A.A.F. Convalescent Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., to the Army Air Forces, newly activated convalescent hospital at Fort Thomas, where he now serves as a member of the Post's permanent party personnel. He entered the Army in 1942 and served overseas as a station commander and adjutant during which time he made five missions as an observer for which he received the Air Medal. Pvt. W. Ronau has been home on a furlough. Ruth Wood, Y 3/c recently spent a week end at her home.

Pvt. Martin Morrison has been enjoying a 21 day furlough at his home. Pfc. Stewart B. Rorer, Jr., was wounded seriously in action in France on November 8. Stewart, an infantryman has been in service since February, 1942, and has been overseas since August.

Cpl. James Pulli has arrived in England. Considerable excitement reigned at Wings Field on November 17 when the landing gear of a twin-engined plane on a routine check flight became stuck and the plane was unable to land. It was piloted by Gene Geuther, Gwynedd Valley. As it kept circling the field it sent down S.O.S. messages periodically. Workers about the field prepared for a crash landing and summoned the Ambler Community ambulance and volunteer nurses as well as medical assistants. Wissahickon Fire company was standing by in the event of a fire if the plane crashed. Mr. Geuther circled the plane to use up as much gasoline as possible so as to lessen the danger of fire after the landing. His two occupants kept trying to put down the landing gear but one of the wheels remained stuck. Finally after taking the plane up to 5000 feet and diving down in another effort to unloosen the landing gear they managed to get the wheels down and the plane landed without any further difficulty. The fuel supply would have lasted about 20 more minutes.

We recently read that the food industry is waiting to snap up into jobs a lot of ex-servicemen with good sound K.P. training. Restauranters and others in the field are especially interested in men trained in dehydrated food preparation in the Quartermaster Cooks, Mess Sergeants and Mess Management School at Camp Lee and other centers. Vincent Ferla A/S is home on a 9 day leave from the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

Mrs. George E. Brumbaugh and infant daughter, Janet, of Three Runs have left to join her husband Lt. George Brumbaugh who is now stationed in Alexandria, La. Cadet Howard J. Dager and his roommate, Cadet Rolfe Hillman of West Point recently spent a weekend with the former's parents.

The American Legion Post observed Armistice Day with an impressive program on November 11 at 7 o'clock. Judge Harold G. Knight was the principal speaker. National Legion Gold Star Certificates were presented to the nearest of kin for the following who have been in service: Pfc. Donald I. Stott, Cpl. Peter Keane, and Pfc. George L. Cottrell.

Lt. Joseph P. Cassidy who is in France has received the Silver Star medal for gallantry in action. He is platoon leader in an Armored Infantry Battalion. He was recently wounded in action.

A new name on our list is one of the former high school teachers Charles J. Shearer, S/c (y) A.T.B. (The Flag) Coronado, Florida. The Navy Cross has been awarded to Lt. (j.g.) William E. Davis, 3rd. Bill, Navy combat pilot, was decorated with the D.F.C. on the same day. He also holds the Air Medal. The citation with the Navy Cross read as follows: "Flying through intense anti-aircraft fire, Lt. Davis made an aggressive attack on a Japanese carrier, first strafing and then dropping a well placed bomb from low altitude. After this attack the carrier was left burning and subsequently sank."

He is a member of Fighting Squadron 19, part of Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitcher's famous carrier task force. He personally accounted for two Jap planes on October 23 when the enemy attacked U.S. forces near the Philippines. Pvt. Norman Urbach recently enjoyed a furlough at his home after spending two years in the Aleutian area.

Miss Mary Labanc and Pfc Thomas F. Collier, Jr., were married on November 14th at the St. James Methodist Church, Phila.

Capt. Warren S. Patterson better known as "Pat" is home on leave. He is a fighter pilot and has been on 99 missions in the M.I.O. In one bombing he was so near a train that the explosion blew a set of underwear onto the wing of his plane which he carried back to his base and didn't discover until later. He has been given many decorations.

Cpl. Richard (Dick) King has been brought back from the front lines to a rest area in France. Pvt. Thomas Moll, who has been overseas for two years, has been reported a prisoner of war in Germany. We were delighted to have a call recently from Pvt. Bruno Pacos who has been enjoying a furlough in Ambler after having spent 4 years in the Pacific area. Needless to say he seemed glad to be back in the States. He reported to Richmond, Va., on December 4th for further assignment.

More Nonsense

Home Sweet Home is where you can scratch any place that itches.

Mrs. Meow: I got big-hearted this morning and gave a bum \$5.00.

Mrs. Cat: What did your husband say?

Mrs. Meow: Thanks.

Waitress: Anything else, sir?

Sailor: Yes, bring me coffee and while you're away you might send me a postcard now and then.

Wife 1: Which would you desire most in a husband--brains, wealth or appearance?

Wife 2: Appearance, and the sooner the better.

Have you heard these latest song-hits:

"Lay down that Juke Box, Grandma; you're too old to Carry a Tune."

"Don't hit your girl with a shovel; You're Liable to make a bad Impression." or-- "Run into the Round house, Nell; He can't corner you There!"

Some people have no respect for age unless it is bottled.

"I shall now illustrate what I have in mind," said Ensign Quinn as he erased everything from the blackboard.

Advertisement: Send your clothes to the laundry and get to know the names of your shipmates.

HIT PARADE

Nov. 25

1. The Trolley Song
2. Dance With a Dolly
3. I Walk Alone
4. Together
5. Always
6. I'm Making Believe
7. The Very Thought of You
8. How Many Hearts Have You Broken
9. I Don't Want to Love You

Dec. 9

1. The Trolley Song
2. I'm Making Believe
3. Don't Fence Me In
4. I'll Walk Alone
5. Dance With a Dolly
6. Always
7. Together
8. I Dream of You
9. Let Me Love You Tonight

High Lights in Sports

Football

In a night game, Nov. 17th, Bucknell uncoiled too much power for Villanova and won 27-6. Haverford, undefeated this season, won the Interac Title. Penn Charter and Espicopal Academy tied for second place. Here are scores for Nov. 18th. 65,000 watch West Point beat Penn 62-7. Nine touchdowns by Army. Late in the first quarter, with the Army leading 7-0 the alert substitute end, Bill Schuman scooped up an Army fumble and raced 51 yards for Penn's only touchdown. Schuman, a 19 year old Navy V-12 trainer is from Olney high. This was Penns worst defeat since 1885 when Princeton triumphed 76-10. Army has won all its games this season and Penn with Army's defeat of Notre Dame 59-0 in mind, had some consolation out of scoring the one touchdown.

Other Nov. 18th scores:

Navy 32
Yale 13
Michigan 14
Notre Dame 21
Cornell 14
Alabama 19
Camp Peary 19
Swarthmore 3
Tennessee 27
Indiana 47
Lafayette 64
Penn State 34
Brown 12
Harvard 12
Syracuse 43
Great Lakes 32

Purdue 0
No. Carolina 6
Wisconsin 0
Northwestern 0
Dartmouth 13
Mississippi State 0
No. Carolina Navy 7
Princeton 0
Temple 14
Pitt 0
Lehigh 0
Maryland 19
Columbia 0
Tufts 6
Colgate 13
Marguette 0

Iowa Navy 51
Minnesota 46
Randolph Field 54
Duke 34

Missouri 7
Iowa 0
Southwestern 0
So. Carolina 7

On Nov. 19th Bainbridge beats Camp Lejeune 33-6. Bainbridge now has 15 straight victories, eight of them this season.

In professional football the Green Bay Packers lost to New York Giants 24-0. The Packers however have won the Western title. The Giants are still in the fight (Nov. 19) for the Eastern title of the National football league. In this league the Detroit Lions walloped the Chicago Bears 41-21 and the Boston Yanks beat the Brooklyn Tigers 13-6. The Phila. Eagles defeated the Wash. Redskins 37-7. The Eagles haven't lost a game so far (Nov. 19) and are favorites to win the Eastern title.

After the games of Saturday Nov. 18th the Associated Press rated Army football team, first, Navy, second, Ohio State, 3rd, Randolph Field, 4th, Bainbridge Naval, 5th. Notre Dame and Penn fell below the first ten.

Now all look forward to the Army-Navy game, to be played in Baltimore on Dec. 2nd at the Municipal Stadium seating 70,000. Georgia Tech. and Tulsa will play the Orange Bowl game on Jan. at Rose Bowl, Southern Calif. vs. Tennessee. Cotton Bowl, Texas Christian vs. Okla. A. & M.

Bucknell winds up its football schedule on Nov. 23rd by defeating F. & M. 6-0.

Football scores of Nov. 25th:

Penn defeats Cornell 20-0 scoring 6 in 3rd quarter and 14 in fourth quarter. Penn made two long runs for touchdowns in the first quarter but the scores were nullified and penalties inflicted, and Penn lost the ball on fumble when within 7 yards of a touchdown, Cornell got the ball.

Haverford 0
Swarthmore 13
Pittsburgh 14
Rutgers 15
Dartmouth 18
Brown 32
Yale 6
So. Calif. 40
Atlantic City N.A.S. 31
Illinois 25
Indiana 14
Iowa Navy 30

John Hopkins 0
Ursinus 0
Penn State 0
Lehigh 6
Columbia 0
Colgate 20
Virginia 6
U.C.L.A. 13
Princeton 6
Northwestern 6
Purdue 6
Iowa 6

Minnesota 28	Wisconsin 26
Ohio State 18	Michigan 14
Nebraska 35	Kansas State 0
Duke 33	No. Carolina 0
Mississippi 13	Miss. State 8
Notre Dame 21	Geo. Tech. 0
Oklahoma A. & M. 28	Oklahoma 0

The unbeaten and untied Bainbridge Naval Training Commodores beat Camp Peary 21-13, for their 16th straight victory. Peary boys gave Bainbridge their toughest struggle. Twice in last quarter Peary rushed to the 5 yard mark but Bainbridge's terrific goal-line stands held and insured their victory.

Phila. Eagles (professionals) lost to Chicago Bears on Nov. 26 score 28-7. The Eagles were tied 3 times in 12 starts but this was their first loss. They are now in 3rd place as Washington beat Boston 14-7 and New York downed Brooklyn 7-0. On Dec. 10th Eagles beat Cleveland Rams 26-13 but N. Y. Giants defeated Wasl Red Skins 31 to 0 and take Eastern Championship of the League. Phila. Eagles finish in second place. On Dec. 17th the Giants (Eastern Champions) play Green Bay Packers (Western Champs) for league title. On Nov. 28 the Associated Press sports writers rate football teams as follows: Army 1st, Navy, 2nd, Ohio State, 3rd, Randolph Field, 4th, Bainbridge, 5th. Ohio State finished season unbeaten and untied. Champions of big 10 conference. Chosen for Rose Bowl game but not permitted to go.

Dec. 7th games:

Army defeats Navy 23-7. Army had perfect season winning all 9 games played. All by big scores. Today's game with Navy, produced their closest score. They beat Penn 62-7 and Notre Dame 59-0. Dick Walterhouse of Army known as extra-point specialist, kicked 47 goals after touchdown, during the season, in 57 attempts.

Geo. Tech. 44	Georgia 0
L.S.I. 25	Tulane 6
Notre Dame 28	Great Lakes 7
Oklahoma 31	Nebraska 12
Virginia 26	No. Carolina 7
Southern Methodist 9	T.C.U. 6

Final standing, at season's end of football teams: Army, 1st, Ohio State, 2nd, Randolph Field, 3rd, Navy, 4th, Bainbridge, 5th, then Iowa Pre-Flight, So. Calif, Michigan, Notre Dame and 4th Air Force in that order.

On Dec. 10th undefeated Randolph Field beats the football team of the Fourth Air Force of March Field.

Baseball

Government's ban on travelling remains. Therefore big league teams will train in the North next Spring. Harold Peck, outfielder,

and Jim Pruett, catcher, of Milwaukee, American Association purchased by Athletics, says Connie Mack.

Martin Marion short stop of the 1944 World Champion St. Louis team is named National League most valuable player.

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis Czar of baseball, for past 25 years died Nov. 25. On Dec. 10th he was named to baseball Hall of Fame.

Hal Newhouser, brilliant Detroit south-paw pitcher was named most valuable player in American League. Detroit was in race for American League pennant until last day of season.

Ford Frick, president of National League since 1934 was re-elected to another 4 year term.

Miscellaneous

Ben Rose of Phila., a league bowler, rolled 698 for 3 games scores 243, 247 and 208.

Two-ton Tony Galento, who once floored Joe Louis; says he's going to make a come back and be heavyweight champion. On Dec. 5' he knocked out Jack Suzek, of Chicago in 3rd round of 10 round box .

Basketball getting underway. On Dec. 9th Temple beats Holy Cross 54-38. Univ. of Utah 65- St. Joseph's College 40. This was a double header, played at Convention Hall, Phila. Penn Univ. opened its season with a game at Valley Forge General Hospital. Valley Forge 44, Penn 32. Princeton beat Swarthmore 50-42.

189 days of racing in New York meet ended Nov. 15th. 410 million dollars were wagered. The State of N. Y. gets about 25 million through taxes, the tracks about 20 million of this money. War R. benefited to the extent of about 2 million dollars. The total wagers in 17 states of Horse racing was over a billion dollars this season.

Playing against many stars, Staff Sgt. E. J. (Dutch) Harrison of Wright Field, Ohio, won Miami Open Golf title on Dec. 10th. His score, 274 for 72 holes. Henry Picard 275, Johnny Revolta 276. The first prize was \$2500.

At Oakland, Calif. Dec. 10th, Sgt. Jim Ferrier from Camp Roberts. Calif. wins Oakland Open with 277 for 72 holes. Ky Lafoon, second with 278 and then the great "Jug" McSpaden of Phila. 279 and Sam Byrd 280--some golfers, our soldiers.

Correspondence Column

Greetings to Sgt. Victor Romendio, first in the column this month. Victor sent us his new address, as he was transferred from the Aleutian Islands to Anchorage, Alaska. He says this post is a paradise compared to the "Islands". The temperature was zero and he understands it will go to 30 or 40 below during the winter. Victor writes, "I was fortunate to get a week's vacation at Mt. McKinley Park. It is a wonderful place and they treated us G. I.'s like civilians. It was great to be out of the Army routine even for such a short time. The mountain "Denali", better known as McKinley, looked like a king compared to the other part of the range. Now I know why they say Alaska is so picturesque." Victor has been sharing his Newsletter with other Amblerites and now asks us to send the letter to Cpl Anthony Palermo, in the Alaskan area, and Cpl. Ralph Del Conte, with the Paratroopers in the Southwest Pacific area.

Pfc. Hugh Bullard, completed a course at a school in Virginia, and was returned to Camp Crowder, Mo. He is with a Signal Training Bn. and waiting for an assignment. Hugh enjoyed a Delay Enroute furlough in Ambler. We appreciate receiving his new address so promptly.

T/5 Wilbert H. Landes returned to the States after serving more than two years in Alaska and enjoyed a furlough in Ambler after which he returned to service at Camp Shelly, Miss. He is now stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C. where he expects to stay for some time. This is quite a contrast after spending so much time in Alaska, and Wilbert is not sure that he will like the South at all.

Ralph E. Vandegrift, CM2/C, moved from the Naval Base, San Diego, Calif. to a Naval Equipment Depot, Albany, Calif. This is in the San Francisco Bay area, and Ralph can see the Golden Gate Bridge from the base. When he has liberty, he goes into San Francisco and does a little sightseeing. At present, Ralph is repairing small wooden landing boats and likes this work very much.

We received letters from the Dailey brothers on the same day. Sgt. Sam Dailey, who has been in England more than a year, is still working with his Fighter Group. Sam sent us a small picture of himself standing beside the prop of his plane. He says he has a new ship and has painted the name of a girl friend on it. Sam had a furlough the first of November and planned to go to London and the southern part of England. Later, we learned that Sam and Bud met and spent a day together. They had some pictures taken and have promised to send us one.

Sgt. John (Bud) Dailey, also in England, writes, "I'm with the Ninth Troop Carrier Command. In the past, they've set up a pretty fine record and it will take a lot to match it." At the

time Bud wrote this letter, he was working away from the base. He said the details were few and the hours long and hard. The living conditions were not too bad. His tent had a floor, a stove and lights. The only bad feature was the mud outside. Bud writes, "It's so soft and deep that it isn't humorous anymore. No kidding, - I've walked in it so much, that my toes are beginning to grow together." He ends with the following: "Say hello to everyone for me, please."

On Nov. 28th, Cpl. Harley Smith, called on us. He looks wonderfully well and we extend congratulations to him. He graduated from Radio Gunnery School at Yuma, Arizona, and received his wings. He was home on a Delay Enroute and is now in Lincoln, Nebraska, awaiting assignment with a Bomber crew.

Pvt. Thomas J. Elder is with the ASTV at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va. He is back in the mountains of western Virginia where the scenery is very picturesque. However, it is continually windy and there is plenty of snow. Tom hopes the climate is not characteristic of the "sunny south." The people of the town are very nice and friendly and carry out a tradition, whereby everyone speaks to everyone else as he passes him on the Campus or street. Tom says "That was a pleasant surprise and I think it should be more generally adopted."

Franklin P. Wright, A/S, U.S.N.R., received his first Newsletter and wrote a very nice letter of appreciation. He also sent us his new address. He was at the University of Penna., Philadelphia, Pa., but is now with the Navy V-12 Unit, at State College, Pa.

Sgt. Alfred L. Renner is also a new name on our mailing list and has received his first Newsletter. He sent his appreciation. Alfred is stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas, with a Base Unit.

Paul B. Jones, Sl/C, continues with his "good deeds". Whenever you find yourself in the Hawaiian Islands, we urge you to contact Paul and learn the latest news. He is stationed with the 10th Naval Construction Battalion and works in the Disbursing Office. Not so long ago, Oscar Stillwagon, enroute from the Pacific to the States, reached the Hawaiian Islands and called Paul on the telephone. They enjoyed talking things over. Paul is having trouble getting around. In order to get transportation, he needs a dispatch. He can't get that as he needs a battalion license and only one has been issued for the office. Paul reports that Hugh Lynch was packing up his office goods and expects to move very soon.

1st/Sgt. William Taylor, sent us a card with a change of address. He has been stationed in Boston, Mass., for some time. We appreciate having these new addresses as it insures delivery of the Newsletter to you. Occasionally, we have the letters

returned to us when you make so many changes, the Army or Navy Postal Services cannot trace you. Then we find it difficult to get new addresses here. So, if you wish to continue receiving these Newsletters, just send us a card like Bill did.

We were very glad to hear from Earl J. Stone, Jr. A.M.1/C on the U.S.S. Sangamon, with the Pacific Fleet. As usual, he could not say very much about his work. However, he hoped to be back in the States quite soon but did not know whether or not he would get to Ambler. Earl has only met two fellows from home. One was F. E. Degry, Jr. from Fort Washington and the other was Tommy Hughes.

Benjamin Burr Camburn, A/S, U.S.N.T.C., Great Lakes, Ill., reports that his Battalion won the Drill Competition and they were getting ready for their "9 day boat leave". Benny left the Base on Dec. 5th and reached Ambler the next day. On the 14th, he must be back in Great Lakes and then he will be assigned to Out Going Unit. He has been classified as General Detail.

Sgt./T James Sheldon Meyers, has been receiving the Newsletter since January, 1943. He has not been in Ambler for three years, and has spent 32 months of this time overseas. He has been in the Hawaiian Islands, Guadalcanal and is now in the Island of New Britain. For the past two years, Jim has served as an Army cook. He says the climate is very hot down there and that the natives on the Islands are very friendly with the soldiers. Jim has never met anyone from Ambler, but now, that we know where he is stationed, perhaps someone may contact him. Don't forget to write to us, if you do.

More co-operation from the wives. We knew that Sgt. Daniel Signore had returned from the Pacific area, but we did not know where he was stationed. Recently, Dan's wife sent us his new address. He is now at Drew Field, Florida, with a Signal Bn.

We have a Thank You note from our two new WACS, Pvt. Jean Garritt and Pvt. Gerry Spears. They are very fortunate to be receiving their Basic Training together at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

Pfc. Herman L. Ashton, "Somewhere in France", with a General Service Regiment, writes that he is glad to hear about Jim Cole and asks us to tell him wherever he is that he wishes him and the rest of the Class of '43, the best of luck and hopes that they soon will be able to see each other. Herman also wishes to be remembered to his friends, the Lanes.

Cpl. Franklin C. Walker, has a new APO and has been promoted to Corporal. He writes, "We are now operating as a Hospital for the first time and the morale of every one soared greatly as we feel we are doing something worth while at last." He is now in the Netherland East Indies. Frank says they had a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner - turkey dressing, cranberries and all the rest, but hopes "next year will be different."

Cpl. Winfield N. Stong, "Somewhere in England" writes, "I see where the Sixth War Bond drive is on again. When they had the Fifth War Bond drive, the Eighth Air Force put on a campaign of its own to purchase a Victory Squadron. Well, I'm still not over that, because I figured a little too steep and bought just a little too many. But it was for a good cause and will come in handy later on. Then I just got to thinking, maybe I'll be able to get a few small ones on pay day because Uncle Sam is going to have to dish out with a little more cash to Stong on the pay roll from now on as of the 30th of November." Winny means by this, that he has been promoted to Corporal. "Congratulations." He has been in England thirteen months. Winny says that one of his friends received a small Recordio-gram from home, which they played on the combination radio-phonograph in the day room on the Base. This was a real Christmas treat. The tobacco shortage we are experiencing here at home, is being felt by our boys in England, also. However, Winny is prepared as he has four pipes and a couple packages of pipe tobacco to keep him going.

Charles E. Kepler, Jr. A/S, is receiving his Boot Training at Brainbridge, Md. He received his first Newsletter and wrote a very nice letter of appreciation. He added this postscript to his letter, "Please remember me to all my friends in the service."

Paul Ferla, Mus. 3/C on the U.S.S. South Dakota, somewhere in the Pacific, writes that it was five weeks after leaving the states before they boarded their ship to which they had been assigned. They received no mail until they went aboard and then, Paul and the other fellows, found mail waiting for them. Like the rest of our boys, Paul can tell us very little. However, we are always glad to receive their notes.

Major Alfred S. Martin, with an Engineers Construction Group, is now in the Phillippine Islands. He writes, "Managed to sneak in on this fracas on D day again. This makes my third such foray. I should be getting old enough to know better, but it gets in the blood. This was the most interesting and exciting operation that I have been in so far. And, for a change, it is rather Nice to see a gleam of intelligence on the faces of the 'liberated'. This, of course, is nothing by way of seeing women in dresses, which was a welcomesight indeed. I hate to admit it, but this is much more pleasing to the eye than New Guinea. It was good to get out of there after so long. Among other places, I tarried in Goodenough Island, Finchaffen, Tami and Hollandia. Al reports "plenty of rain" and wonders "at the process by which so much seems to come down and then get back up in time to come down again." Al says that his "losses by marriage and engagement are on a sharp decline" He seems to have an idea that there is only a very few unmarried fellows and girls left. We can assure him that such is not the case - we know and see many good looking, unattached girls. Al says the boys have "wonderful schemes and beautiful dreams" and a favorite expression is "one of these days." When he returns to the States, Al ought to have an interesting time, as we have heard the girls say, a man is not interesting until he has a few gray hairs and

he says of himself, "Already I am far on the salt side of salt and pepper."

Pvt. Earnie T. Smith has moved to Camp Mackall, N. C. Shortly after reaching this Camp, Earnie contacted his friend, Horace (Danny) Hoffman and they enjoyed a talk of "The good old days." He is now planning to see Alvin Neight, who is also at Camp Mackall. Earnie is a member of the Basket Ball Team. They played the 555th Airborne Infantry and "lost to a very good team, score being 22 to 16." Earnie says the 555th Team is a very fast one and should go places in the league. However, he believes his team "should shine fairly bright, too". His team played a practice game against a group of officers and "took the honors to the tune of 30 to 19." Earnie has promised to report the progress of his Basket Ball team. We wish him lots of high scores.

Robert J. Broughton, AMMF 3/C with the U.S. Naval Air Transport Service, Alameda, Calif., writes that he is still flying three or four days a week. He has completed his necessary minimum of training. At anytime, he may be called for a week of school. This will be followed by an assignment to make regular trips to Saipan, Kwajelain, The Admiralty Islands, Australia and New Zealand. Bob says, "Sounds interesting to me, and I am ready to go at any time."

A/C William R. Lunn, Army Air Firdled, Decatur, Ala., reports "As for this end of the line, things are all under control and going quite well." He has eight more hours of flying, but due to weather, it will be delayed a week. He has started his finals in ground school and expects to complete that in a week. Bill believes they will leave Decatur on the 28th. He will spend Christmas down there - "no passes or furloughs from this base. "Oh well", Bill writes, "at least we will have a nice warm meal and a clean place to sleep." Speaking of weather in the "sunny South", Bill reports that, "Believe it or not, we had two to three inches of snow last night. Yes, I said snow!" Apparently it snowed all night and when Bill woke up in the morning, - "there it was, all over the ground." Bill reads the News Letter quite carefully and sends special greetings to Dudley Deck. He says it makes him feel funny at times, to realize so many of his classmates and friends are all over the world in combat areas and he is still trying to get there. Bill sends his "best wishes to all. The best of luck, wherever you are and God bless you all. We all will meet again soon in our own little home town."

Thomas C. Hughes, ARM3/C, "somewhere in the Southwest Pacific", received the Sheet Music of the tune "Dancing with a Dolly", and says, "Our quintet, ranging anywhere from deep cellar to off pitch attic, like it and sing it all the time. Though we have no band, the fellow plays the mouth organ and another the accordin, so the old tent top really rocks and jives with the give out of these old senders. In the language of a hep cat, it just digs from

flat top to flat feet." Tom writes, "The honorable sons of guns have been paying frequent visits. Can't say I like it either, as it costs us some poor nights of sleep. Yesterday we piled rocks sky high on our fox hole (Something cut out by censor)--you should see our fox hole. I don't think even a bull dozer could get mad enough to knock it in." Tom also tells us that Charlie Wagner, stationed in England, has written to him. Charlie is enjoying his visits with Tom's English cousins.

We certainly appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending us so many beautiful Christmas cards and messages. There is a varied assortment and they have come from all parts of the world. We thank you for your kindness.

Rev. Dunsmore sends the following message:

Christmas comes again, and we sing "Immanuel," which means, "God with us." The light of joy and gladness cuts through the darkness of sorrow and war, and in our hearts we may hear the great message of the Christmas angel, "Fear not! For I bring you good tidings of great joy."

May your attitude and faith at this Season be that expressed so well in Longfellow's words:

"And in despair I bowed my head;
'There is no peace on earth,' I said;
For hate is strong
And mocks the song,
Of Peace on earth, good-will to men;

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;
God is not dead, nor doth He sleep!
The wrong shall fail,
The right prevail
With Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Sincerely,

The King's Daughters

Helen B. Macomber