

SAN DIEGO STATE COLLEGE SERVICE MEN'S  
NEWS LETTER NO. 8

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(Check your name, rank, and address and also those of your acquaintances. Send us the corrections immediately.)

We are now guaranteeing return postage so the "returns" cost us money. The same is true of the Aztec which uses our mailing list.

Write for the directory number (No. 7) if you did not get it. Back numbers are still available.)

To the Aztec Service Men:

For the eighth time we go to press, and this time with the biggest News Letter to date--twenty-one full pages of letters and a title page. Lack of space has necessitated more pruning than ever so hardly a letter was printed in full. Many cards, especially from parents with their son's addresses, were not printed at all, but we are glad to get the addresses, and they are receiving the News Letter.

All of the Aztec service men can well be proud of the great spirit which their letters show in the places of training in this country and also on the fighting fronts. There certainly is a lot of fine work going on, and that spirit actually has been contagious here on the Home Front. It is really the kind of spirit that wins fights. After you read these letters, you will feel the San Diego State College Spirit which you are generating through your work and your letters.

Long ago we put in a rule about not referring to marriages, engagements, etc., so if yours was omitted, so were others. This is a war sheet, not a society page. I am sure you see the reason why. For the same reason, leaves or furloughs are never referred to.

As to the order of the letters, there isn't any except that Wally MacAnulty usually comes first. The letters always get mixed up, and the dates are purposely left out.

Keep the letters coming. Keep sending us the new names, addresses, changes and promotions.

And again, Best of Luck, L. C. P.

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HATS OFF TO THE CLASS OF '46. THEY SPONSORED THIS NUMBER.



From: 1st Sgt. Wallace McAnulty, Btry D, 251st C. A. (AA) (San Diego's Own) A.P.O. 913, % Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif. (Passed by censor) Well, this certainly has been a "bank night" for me --- twenty letters and you in first place. I received the original draft of a News Letter (the Jan Russell number - not bad) two other News Letters, and the two "Del Sudoestes." .... I guess you already know how much I appreciate it all so I find it kind of hard to truly express myself or true feelings, anyhow, "Thanks Doc." .... The whole bunch of us have no end of enjoyment reading the News Letter, Del Sudoestes and clippings. You know, after reading all of them I'd be willing to bet that State is as well represented or even has more representatives than any other school we have.... Looking over No. 5 I find a few changes you might make. Capt. Bryant Kearney, A.P.O. 958, c/o Postmaster, S. F. and Sgt. H. D. Phillips, Btry C, 251st C. A. (AA) A.P.O. 913.... I think you have a swell idea about getting up some sort of book after this is all over and the data we could get from practically every front would make a book well worth reading. As for keeping a diary, when we left the last rock we had to get rid of our stuff so most will have to come from memories, I guess.... All of the fellows from the outfit celebrated their second anniversary the 15th of this month and the 5th of November will mark the end of the second year of tropical service. Golly, but it seems like 10 years.... I guess it is not too bad in this part of the world. The water is always warm and when we can get leave we can go swimming if we can bluff the sharks out of their home, and I am pretty well convinced that they are the guys to swim in their part of town. We have plenty of swell fruit at our convenience so we will always have something to eat.... Most of the fellows keep themselves in a fine state of mind by talking of when they are going home. All say Christmas and if they should be sent out before, they would refuse to go... Oh! well, whatever comes, I know this outfit of ours will give them more hell than they ever bargained for.... Mom was certain pleased to have you drop in for a visit, "Thanks Doc." I don't believe you have to worry about my not being proud of her as I really am. I hope some day I can repay her for all that she has done for me. Will have to call it "pau" for now. Aloha, Wally Mac.

From: Lt. Jack F. Biery, 314th Sqdn, 21st Bomb. Group, MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla. (Formerly on the 1938 Frosh squad with McAnulty) I got my wings last August and am down here in this state of Florida which is supposed to run California so much competition. Why, I wouldn't give a shovel full of dirt from the Quad for the whole state of Florida. But I am being transferred soon and I am pretty sure it will be out of this part of the country. I think I have a fairly good chance of being sent to California so keep your fingers crossed for me, will you?... I'm flying B-26's. They are about the fastest and hottest bomber in the world. I wanted to get into Pursuit very much when I graduated and I think I have a chance to transfer to that as soon as I am moved from here... Remember the Frosh team of 1938? The swellest bunch of guys that I have ever known. That is another reason why I enjoy the News Letter so much. Almost all of that old club is in the service somewhere and I can tell just about where all of them are.... I often think of the days of dozing in the Quad, sleeping through Dr. Nasatir's history class, beating my brains out on Mr. Livingston's analyt geom. and calculus, and then going out and getting my teeth kicked out in football practice. Those were the days and I would not trade them for all the dough tied up in the bombs that the Axis will soon see. I light up like a green "go" signal every time (censored). I sure would like to have H. Billy Miller's address and also Bob Wade's..(change Bob's to A.P.O.).... I guess that you know that my old running mate, George Kimball got his wings in the Navy that same time I got mine in the Army. What do you hear from Al Thomas, another buddy of mine. Sure glad to hear that Bud Wight is in Pursuit. I would also appreciate it if you could give me Don Peck's address. I have lost track of him since he left Advanced at Moore Field, Texas. Incidentally, there is another state that you can wrap up and give back to the Indians. However, I do have some swell Texan friends.... Wally McAnulty is certainly a faithful writer, isn't he? And his letters are full of interest from start to finish too. I remember the way that he used to ride the opponents in those Frosh games of ours. "Com on, run your next play through me, you #\$\$%&' )(\*"#'s," and



then he's pile up the whole works wherever it went.... Gotta crawl into my sack<sup>3</sup>  
now Doc, as I roll out at sunup, so I will close with best regards and a wish for  
all the luck in the world to all our Staters who are in this scrap, and who are  
going to do their best to get it over in a hurry, so we can all go back to doing  
the things we want to do. How about it fellas? (Can't you hear those football  
cleats chopping the cement floor as you and 999 other State College Aztecs take  
battle stations? L.C.P.)

From: Lt. George W. (Killer) Kimball, U.S.N.T.S., Meacham Field, Fort Worth, Texas  
(Formerly on the same 1938 Squad. By coincidence this letter came on the very day  
that Biery's letter came.)

..... Well, they finally figured that I was ready to fly so they gave me a pair  
of wings and a commission in the Marines. Believe me, I am certainly proud to be  
in this outfit; they are tops. I am now attending a school sponsored by the Navy  
and operated by American Air Lines. Here we qualify as first pilot in 30 days. It  
is pretty rough as we must master instrument flying and radio navigation. It  
ain't no cinch.

..... I have received all of the News Letters, and I can say that all of the  
fellows from State that I have met think that they are tops. We are pulling for  
them more and more. When I left Corpus there were a good bunch of Staters there,  
and they were all doing well.

..... Where is Lt. Cotton Gilliland (Camp Elliott - see directory) and where is  
Frank Whicham (Bremerton - see directory). And here is Lt. John Burdette Binkley's  
address: A. P.O. 3026 - 154 - OBS - Sqn. N.Y. He is probably on his way... Sorry  
to make it so short but I am on the grindstone... (George, do you remember the  
Marine game in '38 when you and Frank Diamond got knocked out? Dr. Harbaugh had me  
tickle your toes to help bring you to. I worked hard for 30 minutes before I  
could even get you to talk. Can you imagine that? L.C.P.)

From: Pfc. Chas. W. Hilliard, 301 Ord. Regt. 2 Bn. HQ Co. Camp McCoy, Sparata, Wis.  
We got here last Wednesday from North Carolina. The camp here was just built and  
it is swell. It is 12 miles square and will hold between 50 and 75 thousand men.  
The barracks are all steam heated and well insulated -- a little better than living  
in tents. There is a large gym and also a theater on the camp. They are something  
new to me.

..... I want to tell you that I am thankful to you for sending me the News Letter.  
I never receive any letters from any of the fellows so the News Letter is just like  
getting a letter from all of them at the same time. (How about it Omega Xi's L.C.P.)

From: Benson L. Slavin, C. Sp., 58th Batt. 31st Reg., U.S.N.T.S., Great Lakes, Ill.  
..... address changed to above .... Thanks, etc. Am still at the Great Lakes in  
the same capacity as a company commander. My work is interesting and as yet the  
novelty of a new experience hasn't worn off.

From: Lt. Chester DeVore, 12th R.O.C., Co. E, M.C.S., Quantico, V.----- Thanks, etc.  
My class finishes December 5th and I am praying that I'll be sent to San Diego  
even if it is just to get on a boat to shove off. I was commissioned on the  
26th of September. You may inform the boys who are planning on going through  
O.C.S. that it is no cinch course. Mostly physical work of one kind or another --  
running obstacle courses, bayonet practice, thrashing around through the boon  
docks (back country), practicing extended order exercises, etc. We have Map  
Reading (contours, coordinates, terrain, physical features, etc.) I like it because  
it is put to you in a very practical manner.

..... Jack Doyle is here as you know. He was in the same barracks until I was  
commissioned.... Doc. Post, if there are any fellows who are undecided as to what  
branch of the service they want, send them to the Marines. The fellows are ready  
to fight and the sooner the better.



From Sgt. Owen Asberry, ASN 39162441, Sig. Team C., % Post Master, New York, N.Y. 4  
(Passed by Censor - This letter came by V-Mail and is our first letter to come via that method)

Dear Dr. Post: Your very welcome News Letter reached me in India! I am sorry to say that it is No. 4 and my first, but I suppose that is my fault for not writing to more students telling them my address. After seven months overseas without seeing anyone from home (it is a year since I left San Diego) it is a great help to hear about old friends and to learn their addresses. I was glad of the opportunity to read Torres' letter and I found several other addresses that I shall make use of soon. -- We went to Australia first where we were given a warm welcome by those most hospitable people. We found Australia to be quite homelike, but India is a bit different. The people here, their customs, food, dress, etc. are all so strange. At first the strangeness was interesting and curious, but we are getting accustomed to them now. The "Star of India" is not quite as romantic as I pictured it in the past, but we did not come here hunting romance. My job, to me, is the most interesting of any in the army, and I would not trade for any other branch of the service. Our quarters are exceptionally good, and the food is plentiful and nourishing. I often think of my two years at State, recently more often than usual, but (with apologies to the academic portion of the school) I must admit that my thoughts seem to wander down to the Training School cafe! This war isn't being fought on corned willie and beans, but oh! what Mrs. Dawes couldn't do to our morale! Thanks again for the News Letter and please keep me on your list in the future. Sincerely, Owen P. Asberry.

From: A/S Henry Holt, Co., B.A.F.T.D., Ryan Field, Hemet, Calif... In No. 6, I enjoyed the letters from Wally McAnulty and Lt. Archie Johnston, of "D" Btry. 251st C.A. (AA) of which I was recently a part. I hope they are getting to burn a little powder at the slant-eyes, as I know they would like to. I got here a week ago.. and I have already picked out my P-38.... I know the News Letter is enjoyed by the Aztecs "on the other side."

From: Ens. Ralph McQuaid, Jr., Patrol Sqdn. 24, Fleet Post Office, San Francisco. (Passed by Censor) Just received No. 5 which is the first I have gotten... if you have any copies of No. 4, I would appreciate same...(I have just mailed you complete set. L.C.P.) ... I see Dan Fitzek every once in a while... Please tell Dr. Barnhart "hello" for me.

From: A/C John Macevich, Cadet Regt., U.S.F.A.S., Corpus Christi, Texas.... As for myself, I am in my "C" work, "acrobatics," boy! are they fun!! I hope to complete this flight training some time after Xmas. "I hope." By the way, how is my friend Dean C. E. Peterson these days? Why not have him write a letter to all of his old track men through the News Letter. (O.K. by me) And how are chances of getting the Aztec this fall? (Johnny is now commissioned L.C.P.\*

From: Pfc. A.H. Gallup, U.S.M.C. Unit No. 170 % Postmaster; San Francisco. (Passed by censor) News Letters 3 and 4 arrived in the last mail... All seem to be doing their best to "Nip the Nips." We have things well in hand here (I wonder where??) I am writing to some of the boys that were in State when I was there. They are all over the world no. My greetings to Montezuma.

From: Mrs. Andrew Davis came a not with the address of her son, Pvt. Alex D. Regas, 404 Sch. Sqdn. Bks. 393 Sheppard Field, Texas. Alex Regas is known to us as Alex Rogers, running guard who played on Bob Breitbard's 1941 Fresh team. He left us to join the Air Corps. Mrs. Davis' son-in-law, Cpl. James J. Tsacharis, is still in the Panama Canal Zone.

From: Fred W. (Bill) Jones, Co. E 1st Plat., Cadet Regt. Edgewood Arsenal, Md.... also interesting to see how well the Aztecs are coming along. I am attending the Chemical Warfare Officers Candidate school... Hope to graduate Oct. 31st.. Please send me No. 4. Also please put "Bill" in my name as no one knows me there as Fred.



From: Lt. Don R. McVeigh, A.A.F.- F.D.A.T.C., Army Air Base, Long Beach, Calif. 5  
As you know, I am in the Air Force Ferrying Command and I am flying B24's to all parts of the U.S. and the world, and with the News Letter, I am able to contact many of the "old gang" that I would otherwise miss. I would like to visit San Diego, but we are very busy 7 days a week and I often return from a delivery and leave on another one the same day. Incidentally, how about our "gal Aztecs?" Haven't we any nurses or WAACS? (Why, Don!! See Miss Esther Elizabeth Pease, Miss Katherine Pyle and Joyce Dunningham next time you stop in Des Moines, Iowa.)

From: Sgt. Ellis Evers, F.A.S.Det. (W) Fort Sill, Okla... was just finishing my period of cadet teaching at Euclid school when induction called, but supreme fortune has ridden with me since and again I am pursuing my vocation as a teacher at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla. I have met but one other Aztec here - Duross O'Bryan - who is now somewhere in New Mexico... The Boys in the South Pacific, Iceland, etc. have nothing on us here when it comes to weather... incidentally, the gals here in Oklahoma do wear shoes... Fort Sill is one of the most beautiful posts in the country.

From: 1st Lt. Leon H. Fish, Blackland Army Flying School, Waco, Texas. The following thoughts came to mind as I read the News Letter No. 6: First, thanks, etc... Second, Glad to see that Archie Johnston is still banging away with his Ack-Ack guns - Surprised that Joe Avoyer has not convinced the Navy that he is a Tarzan - When I last heard of Scofield Bonnet he was in the Ferry Service as a service pilot - Agree with T. S. Walker that the A/C's are trying harder than the Japs to knock us off - Glad to see that J. W. Wallace is now in another branch of the Air Corps - That is now part of my business, very interesting - Glad to know that location (approx.) of old Thach-puss (Phil Thacher) -- If the S/Sgt. Bernard Carroll, Jr., is the one who is an Ep, then I have a fond recollection of him at a 90 degree angle about to receive a paddle. He is in very interesting work. We flyers cannot learn enough about the weather. - I notice he mentions Walter Bugg. He is an old crony of mine, and I think he was called back into the Air Corps for training as a bombardier, I had often wondered where he was. His rank must be 2nd Lt. - Glad to see that Tom Hart is still kicking. I saw him last just before Xmas at the Kelly Field reception center. I also spent a good deal of time with Fred Smith, Gene Erdman, Don Peck (where is he now). Fred is at DeRidder Field, La. Sorry to hear that Vic Talbot and Bill Shropshire had to pay for America's mistakes. I saw quite a bit of Vic when I was a cadet at Randolph and he was at Brooks. Those two fellows should and will give us all more steam to help wade into this mess.... Would like to have been along and laid an egg with Griff Williams and Royden Stork on Mr. Moto's little island across the Pacific (So solly please) Jack Hayes has been transferred to Goodfellow Field. He went to 4 engined school and then went to some field in Idaho. Incidentally, could you send the News Letter to my father. He has always been a quiet booster of State and he would be interested to know about the various fellows. Proud to have known Ed Overend. Those boys have really done a job. - John Thiele is in the Navy and can be contacted through his family at 2929 Front St... Say hello to Herb Peiffer.....

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From: John Davidson, 2727 Presidio Drive/ San Diego - We have just received our first copy of the News Letter, No. 6. Thanks. We would appreciate having a complete file. These will be valuable documents for future reference. It is a fine work that you and your staff are doing; the receipt of the publication must be a bright spot in the lives of the men who are doing the work we are denied on account of age, disability, etc. ... One of our most valuable collections is the file of letters and diaries of members of the Mormon batallion who came into San Diego, in the Mexican war of 1846. Think how valuable, from an historical point of view, the Service men's News Letters will be to the coming generations. Dr. Owen Coy, of U.S.C. has urged us to assemble data on the impact of the war on our community. I believe we are one of the first historical societies to take this line. Many Aztec students have done research at our museum so we feel a personal interest in your work... More power to you.



From: Cpt. J. W. Wallace, A/S, 2nd A.A.F. Glider Tng. Det., Tucumcari, N.M.  
 A very nice long letter telling about dead stick landings and some other things about glider training which he likes. He has been living in the Hotel in Clovis, New Mexico, and is going to the above address. (Thanks, Willard, but I am cutting down on space this time. L.C.P.)

From: Pvt. John (Jack) Chandler, Radio Co., Class 6, Signal Bn. Marine Corps Base San Diego, Calif..... I have been a marine three months and I find that I am in a fine place. We are all here for a purpose and we intend to do a job before we take off these uniforms. I'm not trying to sound heroic, but just trying to show the spirit of the Marine Corps. I spend seven hectic weeks in bott camp trying to become a Marine but I guess I failed. They say that one is not a good salty Marine until he has been court martialed three times and busted once. I have not even been called up yet, and I can't be busted -- any lower than I am.... Am going to Radio School. Imagine having 92 Marines in your bedroom!.... get up at 5:30 and turn in at 10... I am amazed at the food.... It looks as though football season is about here... are you going to publish the results in the News Letter?? (I am going to try to help get the Aztec mailed to you - at least I can furnish the addresses for them to stick on them. L.C.P.) Pvt. Chas N. Ables is in the Intelligence Section, Hq. Co.2nd Marine Div., F. M. F., San Diego.

From: Lt. Henry R. Hammond, Btry. K, 69th C. A.(AA) San Diego, Calif. (Formerly with the 251st C. A.)..... As you probably didn't know, I have been stationed in the very outskirts of San Diego since I received my commission. However, I am out in the field in tactical position, and although close to town, it is pretty complicated to get in on leave or even on a pass.... I have been in the Army now for almost two years, and it is one year since I left the old 251st. From there I went to the Hawaiian Department Hdqts. where I did white collar work in the Intelligence Office, then to Camp Davis where I worked for my commission, then to San Diego.....In the 251st and at Camp Davis I ran into nearly all of those whose addresses you have, and as far as I know, your list is complete.... I often think of the 251st and wonder how they are doing now that they have traded one Pacific Island Paradise for another. I also wonder what I have done to deserve this privilege of operating search lights around San Diego while the others, after almost two years of absence, are getting farther from home instead of closer..... Of course I don't expect to be here forever.... I hope I have the chance to actually see you.... and I'll continue to read the News Letter from cover to cover.

From: Ens. Lynn Kemp, Asst. Postal Officer, U.S.N.T.S., San Diego, Calif....  
 It's always a pleasure to receive the news letter for obvious reasons. We can hear about the fellows we've known, and the great work they're doing in this war. Sometimes it makes me feel that State is just about running the whole show. At any rate the Aztecs are in on a good bit of it...I'm happy that I 'm happy that I can send a few addresses. If any of the men have been through this Station, I can send forwarding addresses; at least. As you know I'm in charge of the Post Office activity on this Station. I can see at first hand how important the mail is. It might be of interest to the parents who are receiving the letters that the Post Office Department is asking that Christmas mail to the forces abroad be mailed between Oct. 1st and November 1st, that all parcels be plainly labeled "CHRISTMAS PARCEL" and it is requested that they limit the size to that of an ordinary shoe box, and the weight to 6 lbs. Christmas cards should be sent before Nov. 1st, also. Best wishes to all our friends around the globe. Perhaps I'll run across some of them before too very long.

From: 1st Sgt. Robert Harer, Btry D., 251st C.A.(AA) A.P.O. 913, San Francisco  
 Surprised.. what a memory... what a memory.. yes, the time has come for me to drop an old friend a line from this far corner of the earth... I believe the most important thing that has happened which would interest you, is that old Mac made another step forward. He has gone to Officers Candidate School and if he does a little better than he did in your Geography class, he will come out a 2nd Lt....



(cont'd) Upon Mac's appointment to the school, yours truly got the job of being 1st Sgt. Since taking over the job things have gone fine---at least there have been no complaints. That's a good sign...I don't suppose Wally will be able to keep up his correspondence as they keep them busy at the school. When I see him I'll remind him to write you as I figure he owes you a letter---he owes one to nearly everybody...Have not had any trouble with the leg. Doc Harbaugh did a good job on it. I see that he is a Lt. Col. in the Medical Corps now...All the boys in the outfit look forward to the arrival of the latest News Letter. It is hard to realize how far away we are in time and distance---the Aztecs are spread to the extreme points of the earth! (Bob Harer is another of those 1938 Frosh ends, Just a plug for the old squad. L.C.P.)

From: Lt. John H. Murphy, 93rd Gp. 328th Sqdn. A.P.O. 1297, c/o Postmaster N. Y. Just a note to tell you that it seems we are leaving the U.S. soon. Hearing from some of your friends "back home" would be very welcome correspondence. (John was our tall badminton player at State last year. Bon Voyage, John)

From: Ens. Paul Fern, N.T.S.L.D., Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif. Please send me a copy of the News Letter. I happened to run into Lisle Bresslin in San Francisco the other day and he showed me his copy. I certainly enjoyed reading some and would enjoy having it mailed to me...

From: A/C Lionel Chase, 42-I, Echelon 4, Army Flying School, Reswell, N. M. (A note about Tom Cozens that did not appear in the newspapers) He was flying in flight formation patrolling the edge of a bad storm so that the rest of us could fly in safety. The ship got in too close, and it was picked up about a hundred feet and then half-rolled and went straight down...I asked for the privilege of escorting him home, as he was with me in college, but as my flying time is low, one of his room-mates is escorting him.. He was a good soldier, Doc, and the rest of us will remember that he went while protecting us. When we get "over there" the little yellow men who caused this mess will have to "square up"....Bill Goodchild got out of here in 42-G; I am to finish September 29; Don Lindstrom, a Delta Pi Beta, is here as a Bombardier Cadet, and Willard Wallace has moved to Tucumcari. He is at the Vorenberg Hotel there.

From: 1st Lt. Ted Leroy Fox, Communications Officer, Hq. 33rd C. A. Brig. (AA) San Diego...A note and the above address.

From: J. "Pinny" Parks, (HOD) (U.S.M.C.R.) U.S.N.A.S., Corpus Christi, Texas..... Would like to say hello to some of my old friends; Earl Allison, Gene Erdman; Hal Hovener, and all of the boys from the HOD's....I am being transferred from Corpus to Kingsville for my advance training in Dive bombers....was also selected from my class to be commissioned in the Marine Corps. Feel that it is a great honor to be a Marine and will graduate in about two months...would like to say hello for "Milky" Phelps and Clair Berdel who are both training in advanced torpedo flight squadron down here---we all hope to get transitional training in San Diego so "keep the fingers crossed."

From: Cpl. R. A. Wade ASN 39022529, 437th Bomb Sq. (M) AAF. 319th Bomb Gp., Harding Field, La.....I have no defense except to plead laziness --- brought on by the tropical climate here. Just what part of this state did you come from? As you know I am at Baton Rouge and the climate here is definitely on the tropical side. Strangely enough I like Louisiana, although only two of us do. The other guy was recently confined to the hospital for observation...It rains twice a day at 11 and 3. The air is always damp or humid and our clothes perpetually damp. The only thing that keeps us from melting away completely is the tons of salt tablets that we devour. (Your observations seem to be correct. L.C.P.)..The water is contaminated, we drink only from our Lister bags, which give the water a terrible taste until you get used to it---then it is merely awful. We live in tents right over a swamp. We don't take calisthenics any more --- we get plenty



(contd) of exercise swatting mosquitoes... But just the same, I like it.. This is <sup>8</sup> the army that I thought I was getting into when I joined. We are really training for a definite job, and we are actually rounding out into a combat unit... I always wanted to see England... A couple of other Staters are in the outfit but their jobs are better than mine. Griff Williams rolled in last week to join the ( ) and I've been intending to drop around to see him. Another Aztec in my outfit is Lt. Chas. B. Read with whom I used to pal around during my first two years at State. Certainly seems funny to be saluting him now. Unfortunately he is being transferred out because he didn't have the required amount of flying time before combat duty. .. Thanks a lot for the News Letter.. It means quite a bit to me. I'll see that Glory gives you my A.P.O. number.. Say hello to the gang.. P.S. How about slipping the word to Dorothy Ferguson that I am entitled to be put on the Aztec mailing list?

From: Lt. Charles Perry DeLong, U.S.M.C. Corps 315, % Postmaster, San Francisco  
Came an official card saying, "arrived safely at my destination beyond the seas."  
Mr. Leib heard from Perry. The story was a little too "hot" even for the News Letter, but you may get it later. L.C.P.

From: Tom McGraw, Ph.M 3/c, Marine Corps Unit, 530, % Postmaster, Fleet Post Office, San Francisco. .... Finally getting a chance to see and do the things we have been preparing for. Keep sending the News Letter; I'll need it where I'm going. Tell George Kimball I couldn't make it.

From: Mrs. Alice M. Ringley Roth came a note saying that she forwarded the previous News Letters to her son, Major Orin H. Ringley, Jr., Hq. and Hq. Sqdn., 5th Bomb Group, A.P.O. 953, % Post Master, San Francisco... "I have read the letters and want you to know how I appreciate them. They must mean much to all the wonderful men from State scattered all over the world." (Thanks, Mrs. Roth)

From: Mrs. Frank Bauder (Mother of A/C Bob Bauder, U.S.N.A.S., Corpus Christi) came a note of thanks saying, "It seems State has done a great big lot in supplying young men for the fighting forces.... " (Thanks, Mrs. Bauder)

From: Jack Lamon, SK 3 cl. Navdato, San Pedro, Calif... I have received all of the News Letters but No. 5 and would like to have it to complete my set., Thanks, etc. (It has been mailed, L.C.P.)

From: Lt. Clarence G. Osborn, Civilian Personnel, 11th Naval District, 502 S.Kettner, San Diego, Calif., came the above address and a note of thanks.(Thanks, and I'm still hoping to see you in that new uniform with two stripes, L.C.P.)

From: A/C Howard E. McBride, Sq. A, Gr. IV, Maxwell Field, Ala.... was transferred Saturday... Thanks, etc. will be looking forward to getting the next one.....

From: A/S Paul W. Casad, U.S.N.T.S., College Station Texas.... Although there are no other Staters here, the News Letter is read with great interest by all the men in my section... We are deep (and how!) in radio theory, and in about 2 weeks I'll pass on to another base and school... Fred Eisert is an instructor at an Army field in Arizona - address: 1647 E. 4th St., Tucson, Arizona. Ralph Frisbie is at an army medical school at Luke Field, Arizona and Forrest Brown is at St. Marys Pre-Flight School. Will keep on the lookout for the "missing" names. Give my regards to Dr. Harwood.

From: Ens. J. R. Gabrielson, U.S.N.A.S., San Diego, Calif.. The News Letter went from San Diego to Corpus Christi and then back to San Diego. Am now stationed at North Island, living at the Hotel del Coronado which is a step up for me. (Hope that doesn't make the rest of the Aztecs envious! L.C.P.)



From: Mr. Houser came these interesting addresses: Pilot Officer A. Warren 9  
Chatterley, R.A.F.V.R.(U.S.A.) American Eagle Club, 28 Charing Cross Road, London  
W.C. 2, England. Ensign Fred Meiers, CINCPAC Staff, Fleet P. 9, San Francisco.  
(Mr. Houser is now in the army himself)

From: Capt. William F. Grund, Box 49, Luke Field, Arizona... Thanks etc.. have  
been here over a year and am now working with the Chinese cadets flying P 40's.  
The weather hasn't been so hot but I still wish you were here instead of me.

From: Pvt. Chas. V. Harrington, Recruit Det., Med. Dept. Luke Field, Arizona.  
Last spring in your geography class I watched you gathering names for the News  
Letter.... it is now my pleasure to add two more names to the list - my own and  
that of Ralph Frisbie... we are here in the same company and spend many hours side  
by side in drills and field marches.. Jack Hartshorn was company clerk of one of  
the outfits back at Fort McArthur in San Pedro. I am with the A.A.F. medical  
department, It offers excellent chance for service and advancement... Offer my  
thanks to Alph Phi Omega for that little publication ----- the College Handbook  
Ralph and I found good use for it, and I have the only one available. The Aztec  
would also be welcome in spite of all of the complaining that is done about it on  
the campus. Say "hello" to Dr. Jordan for me....

From: Lt. Clelland A. Wharton, 29th Evacuation Hospital, Camp Livingston, La.....  
and I have looked forward to getting it ever since. It reminds me of the old HOD  
chain letter eight of us used to write and which spread all over the United States.  
Another Stater would like to get the News Letter, A/C Don C. Gow (see address  
elsewhere) No, I didn't get stuck at O.C.S., can hardly wait until I get back to  
California...

From: Midshipman, Orville Wahrenbrock, Duane E. Wilson, and George R. Crowmingshield  
came three nice long letters telling of the rigors of the U.S.N.R. Midshipman  
School in New York. Unless those fellows are ganging up on us and just telling  
about it, they are really putting in the hours as the time for the course is cut  
down and they are getting it poured on them. They sent the addresses of Bill Kruse  
and Robert Noel who are also there. Thanks men for the nice letters and pardon  
the economizing in space. Keep the addresses rolling.

From: Mrs. S. R. Mobley came a note about her son, Bill. It happened that we had  
had his address but he has been promoted to First Sgt. with the Band of the 251st  
C.A. (AA) A.P.O. 913 % Postmaster, San Francisco. (Thanks, Mrs. Mobley)

From: Mary Verduco came a letter saying that her brother, Lt. Frank R. Verduco,  
10-725382, A.P.O. 2107, % Postmaster, New York, N.Y. has gone across after  
getting commission and also some advanced training. (Good luck, Frank.)

From: Sgt. Pilot I. Shelby Best, RL01481, R.C.A.F., American Eagle Club, London, Eng.  
(Passed by censor)

.....for which I thank you. I have often wondered where a lot of the old crowd are..  
So far I have not heard of, or run across any of the men from State over here; how-  
ever, I am sure that there must be a lot of us, especially now that the Air Corps  
is going operational on this side.

There is not much I can tell you other than that I am in the Canadian Air Force at-  
tached to the R.A.F. and that I am flying Spitfires.

Dr. Post, there is one special favor I would like to ask of you. Will you kindly  
have lovely Jane Russell deliver the next News Letter in person?...Well, cheerio  
and my best regards to everyone on the Home Front.

From: Mrs. Howard E. McBride, 10 June St., Palm City, California

.....I wonder if you could send me the five previous copies to complete my file.  
I would like to save them for my husband.....Howard is in PreFlight Training....  
Best wishes, etc. (Thanks, Mrs. McBride.)



From: Lt. Harvey Wright, Btry A, 69th C.A. (AA), San Diego

For example, in a two-day period I get about ten hours of sleep.....and if I get home once a week I am lucky even though my address sounds as though I am at home.....expect to go-----..... Thanks for the News Letter.....it keeps me in the old World.....(Dick's address was given in No. 7.)

From: Lt. Richard Allphin, O.T.S., Army Air Corps, Miami Beach, Fla.

.... No. 6 received.... interesting and informative. Please keep me on your list. As I will be moving along shortly please address future copies to my wife who will forward them to me.

Inasmuch as speed is the essence of this war, one doesn't have much time to reflect on our former activities and acquaintances, so the News Letter serves an expedient purpose. You have conceived a purposeful vehicle and are executing it well.

From: Lewis J. Yapp, AMM 3/c, Ground School, U.S.N.R.A.B., Glenview, Illinois

.....should apologize for not answering your card and News Letters sooner..... But I do have at least a weak excuse. When I received the first one I was in the throes of being transferred, and after several false alarms I decided it best to wait until I did receive a permanent address..... It is quite nice here...about 20 miles north of Chicago and 10 miles west of Evanston. The plans are to make this the biggest air base in the country.

I was very lucky when I reported here as I was given the opportunity to instruct cadets in navigation. It really is not a pleasant experience to leave one Air Corps as a pilot and come back to another as a ground school instructor, but then I consider myself darned lucky to be back in the arms of Uncle Sam and the education I'm getting here as an instructor is invaluable. I'm taking a practice teaching and methods course from a former methods instructor from the University of Chicago..... it's the Frankenstein of all ground school courses.

I can't tell you how much the News Letters are appreciated. Here in the school we have quite a few university instructors and I showed them the Letter. They all agreed it was quite a swell idea.

While I was at Great Lakes I ran into Buzz Smythe, Ben Slavin, and John Grenfell. They are all chief specialists in charge of recruits. They all agree as I do that it doesn't take long to appreciate California once one gets away for a while.

It was interesting to hear that Wally McAnulty was sent to Officers School. That line in his letter about appreciating the U. S. is oh so true. Even after the short nine months that I was in Canada there never was a more welcome sight than the day I saw the American flag waving from the Post Office in Detroit while I was boarding the bus to come back to the United States. It really is a swell old country.....

I would like to find out where Bob Thomas is now. And where are Johnny Jensen, Harry Hodgetts, Temp Robinson, Don Rex, and oh so many others??

.....and if I can help I'd be more than proud to. (Lewis was, as you can see, formerly with the R.C.A.F. I'll get after some of them to write to you, Lewis.L.C.P)

From: Sgt.Olin K. Lipscomb, 96th Serv. Hdq. Gp. and Hdq. Sq. T.A.F.S., Tuskegee, Ala.

.....received the Aztec and was very glad to see that State opened with a bang. Since you last heard from me a good deal has happened to not only me but to my whole family. First of all, Ira, my oldest brother, had graduated from Officers Candidate School, and is now a Second Lieutenant. My middle brother, Wendell (also a former Stater), is instructing flying here at the Tuskegee Army Flying School with the 99th Fighter Sqd. and is to be commissioned soon. I have been transferred from the 99th so that I might enter O.T.S. the latter part of the year. I have yet to run across any Staters outside my own brothers which was purely coincidental.

I would like very much to hear from Staters both in and out of the service. It is nine months since I was at State but it is as fresh in my memory as if it were only yesterday. Give all my former classmates and instructors the regards of me and my brothers.



From: Wendell R. Lipscomb, Flight Instructor, 99th and 100th Pursuit Squadrons, Tuskegee, Ala., to President Hepner:

.....Thanks, etc., for the requested letter of recommendation.... As you probably know, I am simply one of the many Staters engaged in some type of military aviation. I am a Primary Army Flight Instructor to the all-Negro 99th and 100th Pursuit Squads. I am very fortunate to hold such a position and thank my stars that State College gave me my first opportunity to break into Aviation (C.P.T.)

I receive the News Letter monthly and look forward each month to its arrival. Believe me, that commendable little publication has made many an ex-Stater's heart warm .....

From: Willard Wallace, a note telling of the beginning of night glider training and the possibility and hope that he will be sent next to Twenty-Nine Palms. H also sent the Glider Pilots' Song.

From: Ohan Kerian, Air Force Gunnery School, Army Air Base, Las Vegas, Nevada

I received a copy of the News Letter and believe me, I appreciate the news it contains. I am continually amazed at the large representation of State College men in the various services and it warms the cockles of "ye olde heart" to know that they are in there pitching.

I am stationed at the Las Vegas Gunnery School at present and although a qualified gunner I have been retained as an instructor. However, I hope I may get into action soon.

Recently heard from Ben Slavin and Ralph Varnacchia (thanks to the News Letter) and enjoyed a short period with Lt. T.S.Walker at Mather Field. It's sure swell to see and hear from old college buddies. By the way, Pvt. Stew Harder (Sgt.-to-be), former State College man, is down here with me. He's jealous of my receiving the News Letter and would like one of his own.....We are all hoping to get into the zone of action.....hurry with the next News Letter.  
(I just mailed Harder the whole set.-L.C.P.)

From: Lt. Ira Lipscomb, Btry. H, 100th C.A.(AA), Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

.....I noticed in the last News Letter that Wally McNulty is going to C.A.O.C.S. I went through that school.....I know Wally will find it tough but after reading his writings in the News Letter I know he will make it.

From: Mrs.Margery Lippincott Robertson came a note with the addresses of her two brothers, Lt. David A. Lippincott, Fighting 459th Sqdn., El Paso Air Base, El Paso, who graduated from Lubbock, Texas, and A/C Daniel Lippincott, U.S.N.R., Bldg.2, U.S.N.A.S., Kingsville, Texas. (Thanks, Mrs. Robertson)

From: Capt. Harry W. Webster, Department Signal Office, Fort Shafter, T.H.  
(Passed by Censor - This is our third V-Mail letter.)

Thanks many times for your News Letter No. 4.....Every time I get one of those Letters I look up my fraternity brothers, Ralph Small, Ernil Thompson, and I even look for good old brother Paul Pfaff. Tell Paul I am expecting to hear from him real soon.

I'm sorry I can't tell you what I'm doing in this man's army but when the squabble is over I'll have a few interesting tales to add to the mixture.

From: Mr. Chester R. Cleator, a note in response to a card about his three sons.  
"Gordon was at the N.T.S. until yesterday when he was transferred to Camp Kidd in the Park after passing his examination for QM School. Bob is at North Island awaiting orders. Roy is attached to the Lighter-than-air Base, and left S.F. by boat for parts unknown some six weeks ago. (Thanks, Mr. Cleator.)

From: James H. Blethen, Co.R, 2nd Engr.Sch.Reg., Fort Belvoir, Va.

Glad to receive the News Letter and see where all the lads are doing their tours of duty. Recently arrived back from the Yukon and am now at O.C.S.

From: Mrs.J.A.Harlin, a note of thanks .....her son, Ensign Walter Harlin, has been gone since .....and she hopes he is getting his mail. (Thanks, Mrs. Harlin.)



UNITED STATES MARITIME SERVICE  
ENROLLING OFFICE

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From: Charles Byrne  
U. S. Maritime Service  
451 Spreckels Bldg.  
San Diego, California

Dear Doctor Post:

You already are aware of my interest in the San Diego State College Servicemen's Newsletter and I am glad to have been able to help out in a minor way. I had a well-founded idea all along that it wouldn't be long before I would be sending in my own name to add to the list - so here it comes.

The United States Maritime Service, which is primarily engaged in enrolling and training seamen, engineers, cooks and bakers, radio operators, and licensed officers for the American merchant marine, was transferred from the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard on September 1 and is now under the War Shipping Administration.

As chance would have it, when enrolling office was opened here September 1 the entire personnel (three men) consisted of former San Diego State College students. Ensign J. W. Rudrauff, U.S.M.S., was transferred from Los Angeles to be Enrolling Officer. The other two are Victor A. Howard from El Cajon, and yours truly.

In the short time I have been here we have enrolled one former Aztec in the Maritime Service for training at the Port Hueneme training station and we have another on the list to go soon. If any more come through I'll keep you informed. You will find the first list of addresses herewith.

Best regards,

(Signed) Charles Byrne

(Thanks, Charlie. Those fellows appreciate what you are doing for them also. A good many of them get the News Letter because of your efforts. --L.C.P.)

From: Lt. S. L. Chambers, 8th F.A.Bn, A.P.O. 25, San Francisco (Passed by censor)

....fine to see how fine State is represented in the Armed Forces...rather a surprise after some of the "stuff" that used to appear in our paper a couple of years back ..... keep them coming.

From: Pedro C. Siguenza, Pvt., Radio Co., Class III, Signal Bn., Marine Corps Base, San Diego

Keep sending them.

From: Frank F. Whigham, CM 2c., Receiving Ship, Bremerton, Washington

Have been in San Francisco one week and am proceeding to temporary station at Bremerton..... carry on.....

From: Edward A. Dieckmann, Detective Lieut. Internal Security Detail, San Diego

Re. your post card, Edward A. Dieckmann, Jr., U.S.A.(Regular) has just returned from foreign duty. His present address is C.A.Officers Candidates School, Btry A, 1st Plat., Fort Monroe, Va. I will keep you advised of any address change.

(Thanks, Mr. Dieckmann.)

From: James D. Wood, HA 2c, Bldg. 13, U.S.Naval Hospital, San Diego

....My year of college at least helped me get the first rating and the branch of service I wanted. I would appreciate it if I could be put on the mailing list for the paper and the News Letter.

From: Pfc.Chas. W. Hilliard, 301 Ord. Regt. 2nd Bn.Hq.Co., Camp Sutton, N. C.

.....It's swell feeling to see the names of all the fellows that you know that are in the service and doing their part. In the long run it will be worth the sacrifice. I have written a lot of the fellows (Thanks to the News Letter.) - Dan Fitzek, George Kimball, Bob Cozens, etc. I got a few answers - one from Squirt Wilson who is in New York. Tell the Omega Xi's to write to Squirt and his side-kick.



From: Frank Braisted, Sqg. B., Gp. 1, A.A.F.C.C., Nashville, Tenn.

A card with the address of Lt. Lee B. Williams, 922nd Engr. Regt. (Avn.), Geiger Field, Washington

From: C. sp. Vernon C. Fox, 2nd Reg. 9th Batt., Great Lakes, Illinois

Thanks..... I am a company commander and like it very much in that it is like coaching or teaching. We surely are working hard - in fact, we may soon have to handle two companies.

From: Bill Schinleber, Pfc., Co. C, 47th Armed Med. Bn., A.P.O. 251, N. Y.

(Passed by Censor) (This is our second V-Mail letter.)

My only regret concerning the News Letter is that it was not started sooner. I saw a number of the boys at Northwestern University when Roland Watson visited me in Chicago last summer. I have been trying to contact Wallace Labisky. Could you help me?

Perhaps you can recall some of my geography troubles. Well, believe it or not, I am getting plenty of map reading and liking it over here in northern Ireland. The whole country is made up of little roads, hills, etc., that could give any figures a headache. Here's hoping to get back real soon .....

From: Ensign Wm. S. Miller, 16 Story St., Cambridge, Mass.

.....I noticed that Joe Hurwitz was wondering about Bill Ross. As I passed through Chicago a couple of months ago I ran into him at the Navy Pier. He hadn't seen any home towners for an age so we had a fine exchange of info. ....Last week Charlie Stooke arrived .... living at 12 Story St., Cambridge.....Looks as though Bud Thompson will be the next to enter the Supply Corps...Please extend my best wishes to Dr. Hopner, Deans Peterson, Durland, Dr. Dotson--well, in fact, all of State's "swell" faculty.

From: Lt. Richard E. Bate, Btry D, 461st C.A. Sep. Bn (AA), Camp Haan, California

.....Thanks, etc....graduated from A.A.O.C.S. at Camp Davis...assigned to Camp Haan...first assignment in the new battery was mess officer...potential duties will be much more...

Was delighted to hear from Al Scott, A.P.O. 913, S.F., about 4 months ago. I wrote to him after I read Capt. Rodney's letter saying where the gang could be reached ..... will send forwarding address when I leave here...

From: Midshipman William R. Kruse, U.S.N.R. Midshipman Sch., Johnson Hall, N.Y.

.....also would like to enter my application for the back issues of the News Letter. Am in N. Y. now at Columbia ..had two weeks of indoctrination at Notre Dame... they keep us busy.....700 of us came from Notre Dame....had our first liberty last Saturday and Sunday...worse than any bunch of sighteers... my mother sent me a clipping saying that State would have a football team and schedule....seems funny to me that school is starting and that I won't be there (I am in the toughest school right now.) for the first time in so many years that I don't want to remember it.... and also say hello to Clarence and Andy.

From: Mrs. John P. Faddis came the address of her son, Pvt. John W. Faddis, F.S.1, Sec. 1, R. 12 E, Bks. 51--M.A.D., N.A.S., Jacksonville, Fla. She writes: "He is studying radio---having a course in Code, typing, etc...really very interesting.... but, please, more letters from home. (Thanks - L.C.P.)

From: Lt. Charles Alfred Carr, Box "G", M.C.B., Guantanamo Bay, Cuba  
(Passed by Censor)

Your fourth and fifth News Letters followed me from Philadelphia to the land of the banana trees, sugar plantations, and dusky senioritas. (Quote, Havana Chamber of Commerce, Unquote) As so often happens in reality, things are a bit different. The only trees I see here are covered with thorns, the sugar is made into rum so fast one never sees it in the growing stage. And the senioritas (?)



are not only dusky but dusty, and .....

I was happy to read that Griff got in on the ground (or top) floor at Tokio. But the Army hasn't done all of the work in this war. Seems as though I heard a few rumors about a few Marines who became bored with inactivity and decided to pay a social call on the Japs in the Solomon Islands..... Such manners!

I see that <sup>the</sup> Omega Xi gang is well represented in the present fracas. They always did have the faculty for getting around. I would like to hear from some of them... Chester DeVore at Officers Candidates Class... my brother at the Naval Hospital, as a medical corpsman... Sellwood at San Diego.....If Sellwood and DeVore ever hit Japan at the same time, the jig is up. Chet will have the entire female population chasing him and Sellwood will have the entire island reorganized and taking special exercises for flat feet....

From: Gordon Cleator, Co. 486, U.S.N.T.S., San Diego

Things at State College just wouldn't be complete without all of the Cleators in on it. Please put my name down as the third Cleator to join the Navy....Here at the station I have had my first chance to compare a college man with the rest of the boots and let me say that there isn't any comparison. Whether it's the Army, Navy, or the Marine Corps, State College has produced and will produce the finest of fighting men.

I am writing this from the office of Andy Echle, a frat brother, and now a ship-mate. But we are not the only Staters that grace these grounds. Walt Harvey, Tom Downey, John Sellwood, and many others are around. State College has her own private war with the Axis .....

From: Lt. A.F.Brindley, Btry A, 448th A.A.Batt., Fort Bliss, Texas

..... I finished my Officers Training Aug. 14th and received my commission as 2nd Lt....Haven't met any Staters yet. Am especially interested in reading about the boys in the 251st.....

From: Mid'n K. Simpson, R. 3052 Bancroft Hall, U.S.Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

.....This is my last year here and I'll soon be out pitching...We have a new bunch of plebes and if there are any from San Diego I'll try to round them up. It seems that most of them have taken a more direct route to their commissions and their fighting careers.....Several men back from the Pacific told us something of the war, and they all, including Admiral Halsey, told of the courage and resourcefulness of the enlisted men.....and we won't let them down.....

From: Mid'n LaVerne W. Brown, Jr., Rm.4010 Bancroft Hall, U.S.Naval Academy, Annapolis

....Have a change of address for you. Daniel Walker has entered the Academy and now is a full-fledged midshipman.....Thanks...proud to be an Ex-Stater.....

From: Harry C. Steinmetz

Dear Post: You've become a pillar of morale with this two-way service; faculty members at Purdue University, where I taught and researched last year, were quite impressed and it would not surprise me if other colleges were widely to emulate this kind of reporting.

I learned to fly last winter, becoming a guinea pig in an experimental pilot selection and training program of the National Research Council. My few hours have been pretty full of confidence maneuvers but I loved it; was an officer of the Lafayette Civil Air Patrol, best squadron in the Hoosier state.

Now that I am back at State am still interested, especially in flight vocabulary, the first solo flight, and ideas for improvement of flight instruction. Should appreciate hearing from fliers on these topics.



From: Ensign J.M.Kendrick, Jr., U.S.S. New Mexico, c/o Fleet Post Office, S. F. 15  
(passed by censor)

.....I feel a little self conscious about my lack of eloquence. Yesterday I received the 5th and 6th editions .... so here goes.

Like the others... my mail is censored and that gives me two strikes at the outset. Pfc. Laurence L. Scott is entering officer training school. Address Marine Barracks, O.C.S., Quantico, Va., and I know he would enjoy the News Letter.

Stanley Mather will soon be in training for Naval Officer somewhere in the middle west. His parents' address is 2465 A St. in San Diego. They would be glad to forward the News Letter to him.

Dr. Post, would it be possible to put my parents on your mailing list? They are interested in what's happening to my friends and it would save me the trouble of mailing my News Letters to them. (Yes, we have put them on.)

Tell Mr. Paul Pfaff that I expect him to answer my letters as soon as his right arm heals so that he can write again. Also tell Dr. Harwood that I received his letter yesterday and will answer it at the first opportunity.

I would like to say again, for myself and all of the other recipients of the Aztec and the News Letter in the Armed Forces "Thanks and carry on this much needed and much appreciated service."....Thanks...and keep 'em coming. (Thanks a lot for the nice letter, J. M. I purposely omitted the names of the other Staters mentioned because their names were associated with ships in the directory. Just playing that angle safe. Mr. Pfaff is up at Santa Ana as an instructor and therefore he himself is on our mailing list. Shall show Dr. Harwood your letter in its entirety. Drs. Harwood and Osborn (now Lt.), among others, still find time to carry on a heavy and much appreciated correspondence with former Staters in the armed forces. A brief personal letter in these times may be the very thing a particular fellow needs at a particular time. Who knows? ---L.C.P.)

From: C. C. McCorkle, Assistant to the President, California Polytechnic School, San Luis Obispo, California.

May I thank you for your excellent explanation of the plan which you are following in developing the News Letter for the service men who attended San Diego State College. I was certainly interested in the way you have handled this matter and appreciate the effort which you must have put forth in developing this fine program.

I am going to discuss this matter with one or two individuals here who have expressed an interest in this type of thing and you shall hear from us when we are able to get some sort of program into operation.

We have now received the six editions of your News Letter. Again, let me thank you for your time and interest in answering my inquiry.

From: A/S Gordon C. Chamberlain, South Plains Army Glider School, Lubbock, Texas  
(The following is taken from two letters from Gordon. He is another whose address changes oftener than the News Letter appears. I wish some others would keep us informed of the changes in address. Remember, we have to pay two cents to the Post Office for each Aztec that fails to hit the target. Let's have more bulls-eyes and fewer kickbacks.--L.C.P.)

.....certainly enjoyed it. By the looks of the roster, it looks as though I am the only guy from State in glider training. (See J. Willard Wallace.) I might be near the first but I won't be the last.

Please see if you can find the address of John Danna whom I believe is somewhere in Florida in the Army. According to Shoemaker, he and my brother-in-law, John McCulley, are living a rather pleasant life while they can at Minter Field.

We are soon to have a large complement of heavy transport gliders of the type used for transporting commando units. It's scheduled to be the largest such school in the country. (It was in the paper so I suppose it is no secret!)

I guess State is practically a girls school now.

We have occasion to beef now and then but when I read about Wally McAnulty and those guys out there in the Pacific, and the guys who were on Bataan, then I realize how well off we are. We live in tents and eat out of mess kits but life could be a



dammed sight worse. Thanks, Doc, and tell the guys still at State that Uncle Sam wants glider pilots.

I would appreciate it if you would tell Dean C. E. Peterson and Doc Osborn hello for me.....

From: Lt. Ralph Thompson, Jr., 82nd Chemical Bn., Fort Bliss, Texas

.....got quite a kick out of reading about some of the former State chaps. Have run into two or three since my entry into the service almost a year and a half ago. Hear frequently of some outstanding service rendered by a former Stater..... was amazed to find myself on your mailing list....Regards to all old friends out San Diego way.

From: Lloyd Nelson Sanford, CM3c, HQ, Co., 8th Naval Constr. Bn., U.S.N.A.S., Dutch Harbor, Alaska (Passed by Censor)

.....was amazed to receive your very informative News Letter. I have been trying to figure out how you discovered I was in those remote parts. Needless to say, I spent a lot of time reading of the whereabouts and activities of other Aztecs now in the armed forces.

(Right here the editor might add that he gets addresses each day from his students who bring them in; from the faculty; he gets them from the local newspapers; from parents who write them in and also phone them to the college and to his home. He gets a few from fellows who are lucky enough to get furloughs; and from a very conceivable source. Sometimes the editor spends a great deal of time trying to chase down the address of a buck private whom he does not even know, but buck privates and colonels are all the same in the News Letter. Just keep sending the addresses. -- Just happened to think there are 33 letters yet to be edited and before they are finished there will be another dozen or two to go over. But just keep them rolling. -- L.C.P.)

.....Like others in the News Letter, I have seen many interesting things up here that I would like to tell about but, of course, those things have to wait until ----the door of the palace in Tokyo. This outfit is doing a swell job in construction and, if given the chance, will build a bridge to Tokyo, march over it and take the place by themselves....Thanks again.

From: A/C Donald C. Gow, Class WC 42-16, Av. Cadet, Det., Albuquerque Air Base, N.M.

.....Surprised and please...had no idea you were carrying out such a splendid idea until I received Nos. 5 and 6 which were forwarded from Santa Ana.

Graduation is set for November 28th and am certainly looking forward to winning my wings at that time...the only other Stater I correspond with is Lt. Clelland Wharton who is now at Camp Livingston, La.

From: Cpl. J. C. Torres, 7 Sig. Co. A.P.O. 7, U.S.Army, Desert Maneuvers, c/o Postmaster, Los Angeles

.....Been out here over two months. It is really tough. The heat has been about 130 on the average. We do not have to go far to find the worst desert in the world. This is it. We have had many distinguished visitors viewing the maneuvers, but none like the British officer fresh from the Libyan Desert who first complained of the conditions and then ended up in the hospital. Yes, the Mojave is the toughest of them all.

My duties are still those of a clerk in the signal office. It is tough when one has to do his work in the terrible dust and wind. Tough, too, when you have to drive blacked out in the mountain passes. The actual maneuvers and meeting the "enemy" are hard sometimes due to the fact that our supplies are "captured" and we are left without food and water. Please give my regards to Dean C. E. Peterson and could you give me some information on Frank Galindo?

From: A/C Robert R. Romaine, Class 10A, Cadet Rept., R.S.N.A.S., Corpus Christ,

.....it was the first mail I received after I arrived....the home office is on the ball. State is well represented here....Time is precious here.....



From: S/Sgt. Bernard G. Carroll, Base Weather Station, Langley Field, Va.

.....We have quarters here on the post at Langley Field and I must say that they are very nice and big enough to house quite a mob. The latch string is always out, so any of you Staters who might come to Langley should drop in and see us.

.....Walter Bugg probably made 1st Lt. before going across as about all of the fellows in his flight did ..... Well, I must get back to this business of being a wind man.

From: Mdn. William Kruse, U.S.N.R. Midshipman Sch., Johnson Hall, Rm. 601, New York City

..... Rumors are that a lot of us are going to Amphibious School and others to Torpedo Boat School. I have applied for the latter. Hope to be commissioned Dec. 2.

Certainly was sorry to hear about Tom Cozens. He was such a swell fellow, and it was too bad that he had to be in that spot..... Duane Wilson and Orville Wahrenbrock are still at Furnald Hall and since that is about three blocks away I have little time to get over there..... How are football prospects?..... best wishes for a successful season. Last week I went into town and saw a show and went over to Times Square..... managed to get into the subway station... I guess I just don't belong in New York and wish that I were back in "sunny California".

From: Lt. George B. Worthington, Trans. Train. Sqdn. (F.A.R.U.), N.A.S., San Diego

..... Thanks, etc. Page Tulloch, Ens. U.S.N.R., is now at Newport, R.I. for training as a motor torpedo boat skipper having recently finished a course at Northwestern.

..... I am now the officer in charge of Fleet Aircraft Recognition Unit and under TTS (P). Also, the rank is now Lt. without the (j.g.). Am still hoping that actual sea duty will come soon.

From: HA 2c James D. Wood, Co. 42-560, U.S.N.T.S., San Diego

Our company just had its boot training and it may interest you to know that we have stood Captain's and Admiral's inspection. The "Admiral" was President Roosevelt!!!!

From: A/C William (Bill) L. Buehlman, U.S.N.A.S., Corpus Christi, Texas

..... Everything is going fine in this end of Texas but I miss that California Climate..... and don't let anyone tell you that Texas has the most beautiful women in the world. It's just propaganda.

From: Ens. Geo. A. Lee, U.S.S. New Mexico, c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco  
(passed by censor)

..... Contact with old friends is more and more difficult... Thanks, etc.

From: Master Sergeant Ray W. Fellows, 28th Co. 5th Bn. 3rd Tng. Regt., Fort Benning/  
Ga.

..... the old, lazy, carefree days on the Quad.... I spent two years in Hawaii..... They advanced me to first sgt. of a battery there only 16 days after I had joined as a buck private--a new Hawaiian record. I now expect to get my commission Dec. 12.....

Give my regards to Dean Peterson and Dean Perry.....

From: Eugene Bowman, Pfc. H.Q. Btry A.A.T.C., 2nd Band, Camp Haan, Calif.

..... just as I used to write those geography notes.... Have applied for officer training and should leave in a month or so. It will be in Air Corps Communications. The waiting is what makes it hard..... patience is a great virtue though, or so I have been told..... hope to find use for some of that geography.. Thanks, etc.

From: S/Sgt. Jas. Willard Wallace, A/S, 5th A.A.F.G.T.D., Wickenburg, Arizona

..... moved again--sorry I'm such a gypsy.... start the actual glider training Monday.... thought Dean Blake's meteorology was tough... I guess we are going to use the meteorology a great deal..... our whole student body got to go to the Grand Canyon, our only cost was transportation.....

We are about 17 miles west of Wickenburg and it's windy and dusty as hell.. aside from the weather the rooms are grand... they are like fancy auto courts... we go swimming every day... have to swim 3 lengths with full uniform.. obstacles.. Lionel Chase graduated from Roswell and he is now a 2nd Lt..... Thanks.



From: Frank (Bill) Johnson--- came a note some time ago saying that he was expecting to get shipped out. "So the Lord knows where we will land---Will write later to give you the new address".

From: Thomas J. (Joe) Davies, U.S.N.A.S., Anacostia, D. C.

Thanks, etc..... My first orders directed me to the N.A.S. here to act as assistant to the Commissary Officer until Nov. 23 when I will report to Harvard for Supply Corps training.

I made the trip from San Diego by plane. At Los Angeles I met Lt.(jg) Sheridan Gorton and we traveled together to Cleveland where he board a plane for Columbus.

This assignment is even better than I expected and though I have not met any Staters here I'm continually finding fellows from California, some of whom are fellow alumni of U.C.

From: Lt. Howard Niederman, Btry C, 51st C.A., A.P.O.851, c/o Postmaster, N.Y.  
(passed by censor)

.....they usually arrive about two months after publication because they apparently follow me from pillar to post. (You mean Post to pillar to post.--L.C.P.) I notice you have never listed my brother: Capt. Jerome Niederman, 433rd Sep.C.A. Bn., Ellington Field, Texas. Although I censor my own, it's impossible for me to say anything without giving details that can't be published, so the details will have to wait until after this mess is over.

Please give my regards to Messrs. Moe, Walling, Baird, etc..... and thanks.

From: Pvt. Chas. Harrington, Med. Det. Station Hospital, Williams Field, Arizona  
.....the next best thing to a real bull session. Best wishes to Montezumamen everywhere.

From: Pvt. Noburu Takashima, Camp Robinson, Arkansas

I met a Stater here, Tadashi Tokuda, and his address is the same as mine. He works with me as life guard at the swimming pool. Shoji Date is here also. He works in the laboratory. I have been on different jobs. First I worked at the Post Office Directory, then I worked with the camp gardeners, and at last I am at the pool. Keep up the good work with the News Letter and we'll do our best to win this war.

From: Pvt. George T. Forbes, Btry C, 53rd AA Tng. Bn. 1st Plat., Camp Callan, Calif.

Don't pay any attention to the stationery heading--- I am just out at Camp Callan.....Maybe I'm crazy but I like this army. No complaints whatsoever..... Roy Booth (graduated around '31) and I are in a platoon of Officer Candidates and are due to go to Camp Davis any time. We have a lt. just back from there and he is trying to prepare us for the 3 months' course. Larry Devlin also will be leaving for Camp Davis.....Don't let "Monte" get on the warpath because they need him more at State than in the Army.

From: Lt. John E. Fitch, 430th Signal Const. Co. Av., Langley Field, Va.

.....was commissioned at Fort Monmouth in August.....am finishing up a year in the Army this month...my work is interesting. The company is a newly activated unit and is an all colored outfit except for officers. I am Plans and Training Officer and Personnel Officer and keep quite busy trying to plan the training and then seeing that my plans are carried out.

..... and to the former Aztecs, "Good hunting".

From: 1st Lt. James Stacy, Hq. 20th Tng. Bn., Fort McClellan, Ala.

.....Was made 1st Lt. one year and 12 days from the day I became a draftee. If I get a chance I intend to stay in the army for it is good training and I enjoy working with men. When the WAACS get started, perhaps I'll change my mind, but I really like it for the present. Thanks, etc.



From: Capt. Franklin L. Moore, Box 836, Barksdale Field, La. came a note thanking us for the News Letter and the Aztec and telling any of the fellows that drop around that way to look him up.

From: Frank Whigham, CM2c, Receiving Ship, Bremerton, Washington

.....Tom Cozens was my best friend. We were always together at school. Our interests were the same and we shared the good fortunes and the bad. Tom was a friend of everyone who knew him. He was the finest fellow I ever knew. This occurrence by itself has wakened me to the realization of what is before us and I hope that some day I can feel that I have avenged the loss of a true friend. I am sure many others feel the same way.

From: Clair Berdel, A/C, U.S.N.A.S., Corpus Christi, Texas

There are a lot of Aztecs here receiving and reading the News Letter but they make up only a small per cent of the readers. Time after time other cadets who read it express the wish that their colleges would do something similar. A couple of the past issues have been relinquished to be sent to schools as samples. (And I bet you fellows pour it on a little telling them how many Aztecs are in the service, etc.--L.C.P.)

You seem to keep track of all of the fellows that come and go from here. Elky Phelps and I have been together since we went to Long Beach. We room next to each other and are in the same advanced squadron. Bob Anderson will probably join up with us in another day or two.

We'll get our wings (if we make the team) in about six weeks.....and we are certainly anxious to get in our licks on the "yellow fellow".

Phelps and I had Dick Webb as our instrument instructor--- he really is moving up the line. He is a Lt.(jg) and has lots of special responsibilities. And besides, he will be a father in a couple of weeks.

Received a letter from Bill Miller (former Student Body president) and he is to graduate from the Supply Corps course at Harvard on November 6.

Frank Graham is still at Hawaii. We heard that among his accomplishments was the getting of one of those "two-man subs".

Doc, give my regards to Dean C.E. and to Clarence and Andy. And thanks for the greatest News Letters written.

From: 1st Lt. R.S. Davis, A.A.F., A.P.O. 3239, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco

Just a note to thank you....and to give you my new address. Give my regards to Dr. Robinson.

From: Lt. Mason W. Harris, Co.C, 705 Tn.Des.En. A.P.O. 255, c/o Postmaster, L.A.

Thanks, etc. At present I am writing this in the middle of the Mojave Desert while on maneuvers and waiting for information as to whereabouts of the dear old Reds (the enemy).

.....would certainly enjoy seeing the Quad and the people that go with it. Heard that Clarence and Andy are due for the draft. Sure wish that they could get in this Bn. so that I could get their special talk on what goes on. Have to go now as we are due for action soon. Keep it coming. It's tops....Just a desert rat at heart.....

From: Cand. William Mohler, Co.E, MRTC, OCS, Camp Barkley, Texas

Thanks, etc....the new address.... and "all of the luck in the world to the Aztecs for the coming season".

From: Mr. Robert W. Richardson, 1960 Biltmore NW, Washington, D.C., who is now working in the field of Geopolitics under Nelson Rockefeller, came a nice long letter. Lack of space will rob our readers of two full pages of choice literature.

"...none of the government cafeterias are serving meat on Wednesdays at present--- the fame of Georgia for its peaches has not been substantiated by the miserable specimens we have seen---16% of my salary is amputated at the source---the full meaning of Sherman's words the while we stuff our piggy banks for the March deadline, etc....



From: Lt. (jg) Harry Miller, U.S.S. Ramapo, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco  
(Passed by Censor)

.....Thanks, etc. Any way I can be of assistance out here on the Pacific, just let me know. Good luck to the football team this year.

From: Lt. B.D. Shoemaker, U.S.C.G.C. Haida, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco  
(Passed by Censor)

.....had no contact with anyone there for quite a number of years. I take it that my kid brother and his letter that was published in this issue brought about the receipt of mine. Thanks a million and I should be most happy to receive the previous issues and any subsequent ones.

I attended State back in 1930, '31, and '33. I was appointed as a Cadet in the Coast Guard and attended the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn., graduating in 1938. Since that time I have been on sea duty here and there and everywhere. Have seen a goodly portion of this world of ours, northern Europe and South America on Cadet cruises and most of the coast line from Maine to Pt. Barrow, Alaska - all intensely interesting. Naturally enough, I can't tell you where I have been, what I have seen, or what I am doing since that eventful day of December 7th. Life since that day has been filled with many "odds and ends", sometimes exciting and at other times very monotonous.

There are very few names I recognize in this issue. The only men that I know are Kent Bush, Clyde Breen, Richard Goodbody, Ed Overend, and Jack McCreery. I understand that Ed Overend is back in town now after quite a career with the A.V.G. They apparently had quite a time for themselves.

Wish you would extend my regards to Dean C. E. Peterson, Charlie Smith, Dr. Robinson, and Mr. Messner. Spent most of my time under the wing of the latter two and have often wished that I had finished up my four years of chemistry. Thanks again for the News Letter, and you are doing a mighty swell job.

From: Donald L. Peck, 2nd Lt., A.C., 46th Fighter Sqn. A.P.O. 959, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, (Passed by Censor)

....Also thank you for Gene Erdman and myself. He is with me. We have not been here long but they are sure whipping us into the swing of things. Would like to hear from Earl Allison, Fred Smith, and H.L. Hevener if they can find time to write. Will you please try to find Jack Biery's address since he left Lake Charles, Louisiana?

We'll have the hell kicked out of those on this side in a short while and then we'll go clean up the other side.

From: Rober Regenovich, CM3c (LC), U.S.M.C. Unit 375, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco  
(Passed by Censor)

.....It makes me feel mighty proud to show your letter to some of the boys here from other schools because our Aztecs are so well represented in Uncle Sam's fighting forces.

I joined the Navy last February. In the first two months I traveled a distance of more than half way round the world. Since that time I have been stationed at a base that seems to be a thousand miles from nowhere. As the old timers leave and the boots come I look at every face to see if I might see someone from the old home town. So far I have seen no one from State but I keep looking. Thanks a million. I hope to get back to the old country soon and when I do, I won't miss dropping out to the old school.

From: Lt. Arthur W. Tuttle, Port Signal Office, N. Y. Port of Embarkation, 1st Ave. and 58th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

.....the new address above.....Thanks, etc.....Aztecs scattered all over the face of the globe.....they are doing a grand job, getting in some splendid licks.....



From: Pvt. Shoji Nakadate, Med. Det. Sta. Hospital Lab., Camp Grant, Ill.  
Thanks, etc, I feel close to San Diego and all of the friends there despite the great distance. Also I feel as if I'm with the soldiers there on another continent when I read their letters, though I'm still in the good old United States of America. .... I heard from a friend the other day: William J. Sebrell, Co. A, 1st Tng. Bn., C.W.S.-- R.T.C., Gadsden, Alabama. I believe he was in your class.... I surely would like to meet or hear from more Aztecs.... Best regards to all and good luck.

From: Robert Cleator, SK 3 cl., Disbursing Office, U.S.N.A.S., San Diego, Calif.  
Just a line to say hello and to let you know that I am still alive. I am now at the Disbursing Office over here at the island. I like pay work, it is very hard, but I believe it is the best duty aboard ship. You learn to pay, keep accounts, and carry all the different kinds of accounts, both officers' and enlisted mens'. The pay work is quite different from just paying so much money; you figure out a man's length of service, his rate, if he gets flight pay, or sea pay, all this enters into a man's account. This is done twice a month.  
..... I guess that you know that Roy has been shipped out. His address is: Roy M. Cleator, SK 1cl. Navy SSA, Post Master, S. F..... I see that John Holloway is here and that he is going to Columbus, Ohio, to Ohio State University as instructor in Airplane Mechanics.  
..... Bob Peterson is at the Naval Training Station. Oh yes, Doc., now and then some of the fellows come in the office and say hello. And do we get a kick out of talking about the fellows that we read about in the News Letter!

From: Alex D. Regas, (Known to us as Alex Rogers - and as a Frosh on Bob Breitbard's team in '41) 768 Tech Sch. Sq. (Sp) Bks. E522, Buckley Field, Colo..  
I don't suppose you remember me but I played on the Frosh team last fall under Bob Breitbard. (Yes, we remember you) I graduated from San Diego High before I went to State.... From what I read in the papers from San Diego, the personnel has been changed quite a bit!  
..... The field is a pursuit armorers school. The bomber school is at Lowry Field about five miles away. Before coming here I went to Sheppard Field, Texas where I went through basic training.  
..... I'm up at four in the morning and school begins at 5:30. At two in the afternoon school is over but then drilling, exercises and obstacle courses fill in our time. I finished my third week in this school yesterday and should graduate in about four more weeks. That was tough about that tie with Pomona. A former Aztec  
A present soldier, Pvt. Alex D. Regas. "Our Inspiration is from the Past--  
Our Duty is in the Present--  
Our Hope is in the Future!"

From: Sgt. H. R. Pierce, 30th Obs. Sqn., Army Air Base, Tullahoma, Tenn.  
The thing had followed me all over the country. I noticed that my brother's name was in the "addresses wanted" list. Here it is: 1st Lt. Francis E. Pierce, U.S.M.C. Unit # 560, % Post Master, S. F.  
..... It is no military secret that his squadron got its share of Jap planes. At the present time I am engaged in maneuvers in Louisiana as a member of a combat crew in my squadron. My duties are those of radio operator and aerial gunner. As such, quite a bit of my time is spent in the air.  
..... How you were able to get my address keeps me guessing. Even my own family has a hard time keeping up with me the way I am bouncing around the country. The above address is my correct one and the mail is forwarded to me down here in Louisiana.

From: A/C Gabriel Ferazzi, Class 42-17-FHC Cadet Det. A.A.F.B.S., Big Springs, Texas.  
We expect to graduate December 17th. They are keeping us mighty busy but this bombardiering is mighty interesting and I am really enjoying it greatly. Saw Dr. Lesley and Mr. Pfaff while at Santa Ana. Was in hopes of seeing Charlie Smith but left before I got the opportunity. The weather here in Texas is much like that in California and the people have been very nic.-- Speak kindly of New England in your lectures, Doc.....



From: Lt. (Jg) Ken Bojens, Naval Section Base, Astoria, Oregon.

(The following is a paragraph from a long letter sent by Ken Bojens, who never attended State College but who was the friend of many Aztecs in his visits to the campus while he wrote sports for the San Diego Union. The least we can do is to make Ken an honorary Aztec--- and also wish him the best of luck. I am sure that I am speaking for hundreds of Ken's friends.)

.....This time I won't hesitate in extending my thanks. Inasmuch as I never had the privilege of attending State, and my sole contacts there were those developed through my work as a sports writer for the San Diego Union, I consider it a real treat to be on a mailing list with so many of the fine young fellows with whom I became acquainted during the years 1929-1941. Because I spent so much time with Aztec athletic teams and numbered many members of the coaching and teaching staffs among my friends, I almost felt as though I were an alumnus myself. That's why I, like the bonafide ex-Aztecs on your mailing list, can enjoy reading names I hadn't seen in a long while and learn where the fortunes of war are taking so many former State students.

From: J. Philip Bromley, Lt. (Jg) Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif. (Passed by Naval censor) Thanks, etc.... As a matter of fact, from July 27 to Sept. 26 was a busy period for many of us at Northwestern. Seemed like all of my spare moments were spent "running fixes" or learning naval nomenclature.

..... I'm certainly tickled with my new assignment. I'm on one of the best ships (the best one to me) afloat. Doesn't look as though I'm going to do anything along the channels I've been working the last few years at State College. During the last few summers I've milked cows, ushered at race tracks, done bookkeeping, punched cattle, worked as an airplane mechanic, and farmed. So I guess the Navy thinks that it is time for me to do something different. Therefore they are making a gunnery officer out of me.

..... I think I recall shooting a gun once in my life before I went back to Midshipman's School. Back there they gave us rifle practice and the damned bull's eye kept getting in the way of the bullets. But then you could hardly miss the way they strapped those rifles on you. After they get the rifle strapped around your arm and shoulder, you inhale real quickly and the trigger goes off from the suction.

..... The mechanics and appearance of the News Letter have certainly improved since the first one my typing class ground out for you.

..... Did you hear about the 7 pound 11 ounce graduation present, named Ray Patrick, Mrs. Bromley gave the week I finished up at Midshipman School?

From: Gilbert Fitzell, A/C, Group I, 42-17-2, Hondo, Texas. As yet I have not been able to fully realize that we are in a war, but when I read the letters from the boys I used to know who are over there getting in their licks, it makes me very impatient to get in mine.

..... After this whirlwind navigation course, going back to school would be a grand vacation. I've never worked so hard in my life. We are in school  $9\frac{1}{2}$  hours a day and four hours on Saturday morning, besides drill and sports for an hour each, daily. However the instructors are a bunch of "regular" fellows and the course is immensely interesting. My best regards to you those who help you in this service.

From: Cadet Marston T. Westbrook, Co. B-2, U.S.C.C., West Point, N.Y..... The other day when I sat down and read it through from cover to cover..... a treat to know where all my old friends are.... many flying overseas. Hope after my graduation in June I'll have the good fortune to be with them.