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# Campus Comment

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AT BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS  
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## New Members Taken Into Kappa Delta Pi

Epsilon Iota chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society in education, formally initiated fifteen new members at a meeting held in Tillinghast reception room on the evening of November 17.

### Selection of Candidates

Juniors and seniors who are in the upper quartile of their class are eligible for membership. The rules for admission, according to the constitution, allow only a certain number of the eligible group to be actually taken in as members. The percentage of those to become members is based on the total number of students in each of the classes.

### "Knowledge, Duty, Power"

The eligible group is then narrowed down by Dean of Women, Dean of Men, and Supervisor of Training in the consideration of personality traits and contributions to the college. Thus in accordance with the motto of Kappa Delta Pi—"Knowledge, Duty, Power"—each item is weighed in turn. The final list is presented to the members of the chapter. A majority vote then determines membership.

### New Members

The new members admitted this year are as follows: juniors—Sinforosa Acebo, Ilsa Chapin, Mildred Downton, Arlene Linton, Constance Macomber, Edith Maxim, Berniss Maser, Phyllis Schmidt, Shirley Parry; seniors—Hilda Berger, Elizabeth Hallisey, Anne Houghton, Hannah Leavitt, Anne Reynolds, and Mary Twomey.

### Scholarship Is Awarded

The Kappa Delta Pi scholarship, begun last year, is awarded to a deserving sophomore at the end of the year. The winner is chosen on the basis of scholarship, personality traits, and contributions to the school. Last year's winner was Ilsa Chapin.

### International Theme Chosen

An international theme has been selected for the meetings of the coming year. Notices of open meetings will be posted in advance when there are to be guest speakers.

### Executive Officers

The executive officers of Epsilon Iota chapter are as follows: President, Helen Lucas; vice-president, Vineta Noyes; secretary, Mellicent Jenkins; treasurer, Lorraine Porter; historian-reporter, Helen Kolenda; Miss Dorothy Nutter is faculty adviser. Other faculty members who are in Kappa Delta Pi are Paul I. Huffington, Dr. Clement C. Maxwell, and Robert R. Rucker.

## Glee Club Presents Annual Carol Concert

### CAROLS

1. Shepherds Awake!....Katherine Davis
2. Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella..... Old French
3. Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming..... 16th Century
4. In Dulci Jubilo.....14th Century  
Arranged by El. Harold Geer
5. The Virgin's Slumber Song...Max Reger  
Arranged by Anton Beckers
6. Carol of the Bells...Leontovich-Wilhouisky  
Ukrainian Carol

### VIOLIN

- Adoration ..... Borowski  
MARY KREMP

### CAROLS

7. At the Cradle.....Cesar Franck
8. Carol of the Birds.....Niles-Horton
9. Angels We Have Heard on High..... Old French

### ORGAN

- The Holy Night.....Dudley Buck  
FRIEDA RAND

### CAROLS

10. They Call Him Jesus.....Pietro Yon
11. Carol of the Russian Children..... White Russia

Arranged by Harvey B. Gaul  
INTERMISSION

### CAROLS

12. Tryste Noel.....Bullard  
In the manner of the 18th century
  13. Angels in the Night.....Edmundson
- SOPRANO

14. There's a Song in the Air.....Speaks
15. Petit Noel.....Emile Louis

### CAROLS

16. Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head  
Appalachian Mountains  
Arranged by Ruth Abbott
17. Sleep, Baby, Sleep.....Old Czech  
Arranged by Jaroslav Kricka
18. Noel D'Alsace.....Alsatian  
Arranged by Hippolyte Mirande
19. The Wassail Song.....Gloucestershire
20. The First Noel.....Traditional

The audience was requested to join in singing the last carol.  
Several members of Dramatic Club, as of other years, were ushers for the concert. Ushers this year were as follows: Lorraine Porter, head usher; Frances Burns, Sinforosa Acebo, Dorothy Howes, Anna Walsh, and Carol Clark.

## HIGH SCHOOL DEAN IS INTERVIEWED

By Phyllis Boyden

"Most of the educational practices and philosophies current at the present time have been firmly inculcated in the minds and hearts of all Bridgewater graduates," according to Miss Ellen M. Shea, the Dean of Girls at Lyman Hall High School in Wallingford, Connecticut, who graduated from the college in 1935. She has gone a long way since her graduation in 1935. She has her M. Ed. degree in social studies from Boston University.

### Understands Youth

Miss Shea has a charming personality. She has a great understanding for youth and human nature and a keen appreciation of the problems that confront her students. Perhaps this is the reason she receives so many letters from her former students who are now serving in the armed forces of our country in many distant places.

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# CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES USHERED IN

## Traditional Glee Club Concert and Formal Banquet Climax the Week

## Annual S.C.A. Dance Held; Cadets Guests Of Juniors and Seniors

By Helen Casanovitch

The annual Student Council Association dance was held Friday night, December 1, 1944, starting at 8:00 p.m. Although there were great expectations of seventy maritime cadets attending, transportation difficulties prevented many from arriving and the dance and social was held in the Recreation Room of Tillinghast Hall. Only juniors and seniors were privileged to act as hostesses, and the patrons and patronesses were as follows: President and Mrs. John J. Kelly, Miss S. Elizabeth Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rucker, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fotli.

### Ends at Midnight

For those not torsorially "hep" there was opportunity merely to relax and listen to the latest in music, to try their skill at Bridge, or just to talk. Refreshments consisting of filled crackers and ice cream were served during intermission in the reception room. The dance ended at midnight.

### Chairmen and Committees

Helen Moir, vice-president of Student Cooperative Association was general chairman and she appointed and was ably assisted by the following chairmen and their committee members: Hospitality, Constance Macomber; Entertainment, Marjorie Sisson; Refreshments, Rita Custeau; Publicity, Mary Begley; Equipment, Dot Belcher; Decorating, Bernice Novick; Clean-up, Louise Bignelli, and Tickets, Mary Kennedy.

## Chapel Programs Present Two Guest Speakers and A Gay Christmas Sing

Commander Marion from the Maritime Academy at Hyannis spoke November 21, in chapel. He spoke of the opportunities that one has in education today. He said that by his own effort, he made something of himself. It is up to the present generation to see that there isn't another war. He said that his generation failed in this matter, but he felt sure that we would not fail.

### Mr. Edgar Mongan is Speaker

Our next speaker on November 28 was Mr. Edgar Mongan, principal of Plymouth High School. He told about his experiences as a teacher. He stated some good points for teachers to know and practice, such as: Get the children to work right away; leave personal factor out of marking; don't let irksome detail get you down; don't be afraid to talk about your rights as a teacher; and sacrifice only if what you are sacrificing for is worth it. A few suggestions that he gave are: to leave the rank book where all can see and look at it; since you deal with children don't become a child; and teach Americanism in and out of the classroom, not as a nationality, but as a way of living.

### Christmas Sing Held

A Christmas Sing was held in chapel December 5, under the direction of Miss Rand. Everyone enjoyed singing carols and it seemed as if Christmas were almost here.

## TILLINGHAST PARTY

The usual Christmas festivities began at Bridgewater on Monday, December 11, with the Tillinghast Christmas Party. The party was held in the reception room and was complete with Christmas tree and lights. The lights were bought this year and contributed to the dormitory.

### Gifts Exchanged

The Tillinghast choir, under the direction of Louise Conant, opened the party with carols. Miss Pope read the traditional Christmas story, and games were played under the direction of Jean Peck before refreshments were served. Miss Pope and Miss Gassett were given gifts, and small presents were exchanged among the students.

### All Enjoy General Sing

After the ice cream and cookies, everyone participated in a general sing with Louise Conant leading. The reception room decorated with boughs of evergreen provided a fitting background.

### Committee Chairmen

The committee chairmen were as follows: Mabel Mason, general chairman; Eunice Chatterton, decorations; Louise Conant, music; Frostine Graves, refreshments; Kay Kvale, clean-up; Ruth Gralton, hospitality; Jean Peck, entertainment; and Gertrude Gerstein, gifts.

## GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The Women's Glee Club under the direction of Freida Rand gave its Christmas Carol Concert in the Horace Mann Auditorium, on Tuesday evening, December 12. Many old favorites were given, among them "Wassail Song" and "Angels We Have Heard On High". The featured soloists were Freida Rand, organ; Constance Hartwell, vocalist; Mary Kremp, violinist; and Elsie Peltz, vocalist. The audience participated in the carol singing at the end of the program. Many thanks should be given to Miss Rand and the Glee Club for this fine concert.

## FORMAL BANQUET

Our annual Christmas Banquet was held on Wednesday evening, instead of Thursday evening this year. Formal dress was required, and the dining hall presented a lovely sight, with all in evening gowns. The guests were entertained before dinner by the Glee Club.

The guests downed turkey and all the trimmings, topped it with ice cream, strawberry sauce, demi-tasse and after dinner mints, and then retired to the gym for general fun. Dancing, singing, and the faculty entertainment under the direction of Miss Moriarty took up the student's time until eleven o'clock.

### Carol Sing Is Festive

After this the dormitory students went on their traditional Christmas Carol sing, with Helen Moir of S.C.A. leading. The many teachers' homes in Bridgewater were visited, and thanks were given the girls for the festive carols.

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### SHALL WE STOP THE CLOCKS?

If, on Christmas day, someone should suddenly stop all of the clocks, do you know what would happen? Think for a moment: The essence of Christmas—its prevailing festivity—would be borne into eternity. We would never awaken to the disillusionment of a post-holiday hang-over; we would never lapse into the mere shadow of ourselves at our best. Why must we have this relapse? Is the strain too much?

It seems odd that while we exert ourselves to be so unusually open-hearted, open-handed, and open-minded on Christmas day, we nevertheless feel it to be irrevocably essential to revert to our pre-holiday personalities the very moment that December 26 is rung in.

To all appearances, it is at Christmas that we are at our apex of altruism, generosity, optimism and gaiety; everyone is our friend and brother; all petty disturbances are forgotten in our all-consuming emotions of sympathy, kinship, and tolerance.

Do you ever wonder why this mood must belong solely to Christmas; why we expect it to compensate for our behavior during the remaining 364 days of the year; why we think that the virtues we so ostentatiously display at Christmas will wholly eradicate the less commendable traits we reveal to the world on the days that precede the holiday?

And do you believe that the Christmas spirit is the one that precipitates wars? Of course you don't! Well—there is your answer.

Suppose, then, that when Christmas arrives with its goodwill and understanding, we all take a minute out—just to stop the clocks.



### WAKE UP!

You know, most of us, most of the time, expect to be spoon-fed. . . we want things to be pointed out to us—to be underscored and lettered in red—to be reiterated time and again. We seem to have a positive aversion toward seeking out our own information.

We mean this—not only academically—but even in relation to our own extra-curricular affairs. We declare that we do not know about our student government and our college clubs because no one has explained them to us, or has repeated that explanation at frequent intervals.

Bulletin boards are not established for decorative purposes—the notices attached to them are posted for the benefit of all of us, and not merely for a few committee chairmen.

Campus Comment brings to the fore the most significant news of the month. If we would tear our eyes from the Tower for even a moment this fact would be readily evident. It is our individual responsibility to know what is going on about us—so let's look around and get acquainted.

## CLUB NEWS

### NEWMAN CLUB

A short meeting was held on November 30, at which Mary Kennedy was elected treasurer.

### MENORAH CLUB

A special meeting was called on December 1 to discuss a social program for Alumni Week end.

### STUDENT FELLOWSHIP

The members of Student Fellowship were entertained on November 19 by Mr. Coc, who traced the social status of women from Hebrew times on, as shown in the Bible. On December 3, there was held a discussion on parent-child relationship in the home. The yuletide spirit was displayed on December 10 by the members with the annual Christmas caroling around Bridgewater.

### PRESS CLUB

Mr. John Swencny, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College and now a member of the staff of the "New Bedford Standard Times", at a meeting held on November 29 discussed newspaper life, illustrating his talk with pictures.

### DRAMATIC CLUB

The Christmas play entitled "Where the Child Lies", with a cast of members and apprentices, will be presented on December 15 during chapel hour.

### K-P CLUB

Vivian Chaffin, vice-president, conducted a meeting on November 15 in the play room of the training school in order to observe the library display there. Miss Marks spoke of getting dolls as souvenirs from foreign countries. A cake raffle was held on Monday noon, November 20, in Boyden Hall. Jean Douglass and Elsie Packer were the recipients of the prizes.



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#### News

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### BOOKPLATE SALE

For the last few weeks the Junior Class has been selling bookplates and name stickers in the Rotunda. They have many styles to choose from, and by the way, these make excellent Christmas gifts for students and book-lovers. The sale is under the direction of Alice Toomey and Mildred Hacking, the proceeds going to the Junior Class.

## PROFILE



DAVID WEINSTEIN

### A 3-LETTER SPORTSMAN PLAYS SEMI-PRO BASEBALL

Have you upper classmen been wondering who the young male freshman is who features the bow ties? His name is David Weinstein and he comes to us every day from Dorchester. David was born June 26, 1927, so you see, girls, he's a trifle young for most of us. (Perhaps I'm speaking out of turn since he did say girls did not head his list of dislikes!)

#### A Three-letter Man

As a member of the Boston Latin School, David was a three-letter man in sports. Baseball, basketball, and track occupied most of his time. Although Weinstein misses basketball and other sports here at B.T.C., the interest he had in high school has not burned out; he plays on a semi-professional basketball team and is an active member of an athletic club. David, however, still has hopes (like most of us) that he will still have a chance to participate in men's sports at B.T.C.

#### Versatility Plus

Baseball, usually, occupies most of his spare time during the summer. Two summers ago, however, he was a senior life-saver, and this past summer he worked for a paint-brush company. (Never can tell, girls—those brave ones who painted their rooms—maybe David helped put the brush together).

#### Oui, Oui!

Five feet nine inches tall, black hair, brown eyes; and guess what, girls—he's majoring in French!

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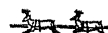
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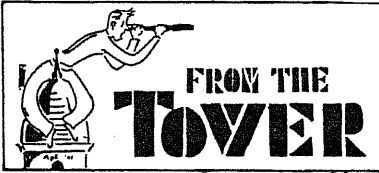
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Were we tickled when we overheard Mr. Tyndall's advice to the college fellows: "I'm telling you, you can't make a Fast man out of a slow man!" (Oh-oh. . . we know of quite a few exceptions—altho possibly we're not thinking of the same thing!)

#### "Thar's Gold" etc.

We have learned that when Rosey claims she's "bankrupt" it's quite essential that she qualify the statement. Incidentally, we are glad to hear that she and Bill are again on writing terms. (Um. . . not intimidated by those Parisian femmes were you, Rosey?)

#### Toujours L'Amour

What is the "cold-front" between Nolan and Jack? He seemed to have been iced-out at the S.C.A. Social. . . . We hear that Jean Peck (Soph) is planning to take a ju-jitsu course—wasn't the buckle adequate?

#### Conquests at Standish

Marian Guilbault is apparently attracted by high altitudes. Gosh—was he really 6'6"? . . . Lorry Christian made quite a nite of it too—(We know he was an All-American Something-or-Other—oh, well, just call him athletic!) . . . Pussy Randall went Hollywood with a "gen-oo-inc" movie actor (Richard Court), while Natalie Hayes double-dated with a booking-agent (Who just wasn't the marrying type!)

#### Dorinda's Dilemma

Note to Santa: Please, please, give Dorinda some indelible lipstick—Phil is getting All Messed Up! . . . Peggy Haskell can't decide what she wants from Paris. (Why, honey, such a lack of imagination!) . . . What's this about Virgin and Jane dancing "check to check"?

#### My, My!

On the evening of the S.C.A. dance, front el of Wood received quite a "clinchy" view. . . And we understand that at the same time some of the underclassmen did some very successful "black-marketing".

#### Is Hannah Hoarding?

Hannah Leavitt, have you never heard of rationing? After all, three dates in one weekend is down-right illegal in times like these. . . We would like to know just what Patty Bigelow does on Saturday nites. . . Lint's Ray was home recently, but she gave him only two hours. (BrH<sub>2</sub>O may not be excruciatingly provocative, but heck! Even "Ice-Box" Brooks could offer a few suggestions.)

#### Vive L'Adult!

So Froio is approaching maturity? O.K., Pat, we'll keep our eyes just glued to those slave bracelets. . . As a special request we announce that Kay Rogers is a good base-ball player—she slides to home base quite skillfully. . . Just what was Mabel Mason doing with George Washington's hat when Dr. Maxwell spotted her early one weekend morning?

#### Matrimonial Mischief

Is it true that Shirley Sedgwick and Selma Davis are engaged? (Not to each other, of course.) . . . Our spies report that Lois Potter was given a kinda birthday-shower; the "poor" kid is really becoming domesticated. Why—just give us bachelor girls a career any time! (Now what game shall we play?)

## A "Faux Pas" A Day

Boners are still pouring in. Let's hear a few—all in good fun of course! A confession: I was reading a horrible book. I was taking a course similar to this one.

Aphrodite: a terrible germ causing great pestilence.

A joint: a place where two bones meet.

Atrium (part of a Roman House). One B.T.C. historian described the Battle of Atrium—well, perhaps she was right!

Speaking about that battle of Actium, historians certainly do differ. Some say Actium was one of the greatest Roman officials. Others come forth with "a new type of cement."

The questions that really stump us are: Where is the Oregon Trail? and Why should we fish in the ocean?

After a long discussion on ways of mediating strikes, a disturbed student argued, "I thought you said we could put a stop to strikes by meditation."

Here is a surprising statement—"The government collects direct taxes and exercises."

We find boners not only in words. Did you hear about the girl who took everyone's speech recitation down in shorthand?

A little advice for us all—In order to correct a mistake, we should make it three times.

That's all for now. Who will make the next boner?

#### Help Wanted: Penmanship!

That's right, Querze, give Lenny a break! . . . Congrats to Betty and Migde for cashing in on those midshipmen while the stakes were high. . . . The Proxy's list is quite the thing nowadays—the few souls who have been overlooked are beginning to consult Dale Carnegie. . . An' byc th' bye, may we elicit full sympathy for the cause of an unhappy sophomore. The poor child is panic-stricken about the fate of her penmanship. Buck up, kid, if you practice five or six hours a day conscientiously you won't have a thing to worry about. (Except your sanity, maybe.)

#### Touche

In reply to our "pome" of last month, Dot Wells has offered the following gem of advice:

#### Why Gripe About The "Records"?

Did Dewey stand and fret and gripe When Roosevelt won the race? Did trains and boats and cars all weep When airplanes took their place? I doubt it.

Do people in hotels complain When asked to sign their name? We may not see the good in things, But it's there just the same. Don't doubt it!

If we all understood all things A master race we'd be— We all have much to learn and much To do that we can't see. Why doubt it?

So if someone would like to know Just where we are, and when, And how much time we spend at play, And who called us up, just then,

Don't gripe!  
Don't doubt it!  
Do it!

#### S'long Fer Now

Wal—back to diggin' ditches. . . Have a grand vacation, a Merry Christmas, and be good on New Year's eve!

## PROFILE



ADRIENNE GARRITY

### TENNIS HER PET SPORT; ALSO TOPS AT TAPPING

"Loves sweetest caress is a kiss on the top of the head," says our old friend, Bobby Burns. Perhaps he didn't have Adrienne Garrity in mind when he wrote this, but he must have had someone very similar in his thoughts—someone with shining blonde hair like Adrienne's. To add to her charm she has twinkling brown eyes and a sparkling smile. She's five feet four inches in height. We haven't her other measurements on hand, but she looks all right to us, n'est-ce pas?

#### Lucky Vacationers

Adrienne comes from Weymouth, but she has spent several summers doing waitress work in hotels in Vermont and New York. Fortunate people, those summer vacationers! Adrienne has not only worked as a waitress, but she has also been employed in the office of the Hingham shipyard.

#### Can Twirl A Baton

Although she possesses no outstanding musical ability, Adrienne is an expert twirler. Of course we're speaking of baton twirling. Many times has Adrienne been seen doing some fancy strutting in a parade. Tap-dancing, too, has always been a mastered art with Adrienne and many of us have seen the results. Sports also hold a prominent place in her life. Tennis heads the list, while swimming and bowling follow closely behind.

#### No Dislikes—?

Adrienne, as a member of Dramatic Club or any clubs to which she may belong at home, must be a very easy person with whom to work for she has no real dislikes.

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## "QUOTABLE QUOTES" FROM B.T.C. STUDENTS

Tennyson is credited with saying, "Every door is barred with gold and opens but to golden keys."

The doors of B.T.C. open and close while students pass through uttering many exclamations perhaps not as eloquently constructed or worded as Tennyson's but equally as picturesque and meaningful in their own informal way.

A voice saying, "I'm glad, I'm glad, do you hear me, I'm glad?" can be associated with Janice Burchard. The circumstances vary preceding the exclamation but whatever happens Jan is happy about the whole thing.

"All right, forget it", is a pet expression of practically all the group that transferred from our sister college on the Cape.

Pat Bigelow is especially noted for her "Hey, hey" tacked onto the beginning, end, and middle of all constructions. If you can't master double talk, try this as a substitute.

In the class room Jack Herman can be counted on to say, "Will you please repeat that question?" and Leo Beaumont is equally consistent with, "May I make a technical correction?"

Jean Bowler's, "If you had half a brain you could fly backwards," sounds good but will it work?

Marion Moore has coined the word "Foof" as a quick retort to any bright remark.

"Thoughtlessness is selfish, selfishness is sin" is a meaty thought for the day from Martha Nickerson.

"I guess I'll have it dream the rest" either sung or said by Alice O'Malley sounds good, particularly when it's uttered at the right psychological moment.

There are as many favorite remarks as there are students enrolled here at Bridgewater. Some are rather choice but perhaps it would be safer to ignore them here.



## COMMUTER NEWS

By Jean Crane

A combination Big-Little Sister, and general commuter social was held in the social room on Thursday evening, December seventh. Meredith White, as President of Day Student Council, together with the other members of the council, served as general chairman.

#### Committee Heads Appointed

Heads of committees were appointed by the general chairman. They were as follows: Decoration, Fyrne Watters, Entertainment, Betty Sheehan; Publicity, Helen Killory; Tickets, Helen Kolenda; Clean-up, Lenore Kelly.

#### Food'n Fun

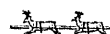
Food, games, and entertainment were enjoyed by all and Big Sisters really had a chance to get to know their Little Sisters.

#### Donations Wanted

Donations of news for "Trotter's Bits" may still be made. There is a box for these donations in the social room.

#### Plans for Xmas Dinner

Day Students have bought their tickets for the annual Christmas dinner and have arranged tables of eight.



## Any Plans For New Year's Eve?

What to do on New Year's Eve? What are you going to do?

When a cute little junior was asked she just said, "Oh, Oh!" Now that could mean almost anything.

### Co-Celebrators Missing

She uses Pond's. She's engaged! Well, perhaps she doesn't use Pond's and she really isn't engaged, but she has a beautiful complexion. What does she have to say? Well she's in the same predicament that most of us are. She doesn't do anything 'cause she can't celebrate with anyone with whom she'd like to celebrate. Ah! Sad, but true!

### "I'd Like A Man"

That laughing, fooling, gay junior from second floor in Woodward says, "I'd like a man." Perhaps that would make the evening a trifle more interesting.

### "A Good Time"

"All I'm interested in is having a good time", declares a tall, ever tripping but never slipping freshman woman. Say, woman! How about giving some of that interest to your roommate? All she wants to do is rest. Imagine getting any rest on New Year's Eve!

### Dreaming A Substitute

When asked what idea she had for that night of nights, all that could be wrested from one of our carefree Irishmen was, "Are you kidding?" No! Not kidding, but dreaming a little perhaps.

### "I Want My Man To Come Home"

A sophomore, who is, incidentally, an expert on the dance floor, knew exactly what she wanted. "I just want my man to come home. I don't care what else happens." Ah, love!

### A Full Evening IF Escorted

A certain pretty junior has her evening all planned to the hour. She would like to go to some sort of "open house" until about twelve and then go dancing until about four in the morning. After that she'd like to go to five o'clock Mass and then breakfast. These plans, girls, all rest on whether there is a man around or not.

### Could There Be A Reason

"I'd like to go to Connie Kennick's in Gloucester" says a good-natured, giggling, laughing, yelling senior. That's an idea! Perhaps we should all pay Connie a friendly visit.

### A Plan Easily Fulfilled

Now here's energy for you. This girl must get plenty of spinach. What do you suppose she's going to do? She just wants to sleep! There's one gay lass that won't be disappointed.

### If "He" Gets Home

"I don't know how to express it. If 'he' gets home I'd like to go out by all means," says a sweet sophomore. She doesn't know how to express what she'd like to do. Well, some things can't be put into words.

### Dancing Inadequate

A charming little red head of the Freshman class says she'd like to go out, but it seems too silly just to say she'd like to go dancing. If dancing is silly, it would be fun to do a few more silly things.

## W.A.A. ACTIVITIES

Gather around all you athletes and would-be athletes and listen to the latest proposals of your executive board on W.A.A. It has been noted that there has been a lack of enthusiasm among our members, and so various proposals are now under consideration.

If you have any suggestions to give, improvements that you would like to see, or any ideas that would make the Women's Athletic Association of this College of more use to the individual members and to the group as a whole just present this matter to any member of the Governing Board before the next meeting so that your ideas on the matter may be brought to the boards attention.

### Suggestions Under Consideration

A few of the suggestions now under consideration are as follows: new requirements to become an activity director; that the members of the board have emblems for campus jackets; and that there be more games in various sports between the members of the faculty and the students.

### Faculty-Student Game Soon

There is to be a game between the faculty and students on Wednesday evening, January 10, to benefit the War Bond drive. The sport is basketball. Some of the members of the faculty will participate, and the other members will assist in refereeing and coaching.

### Dual Purpose For Attending

The male faculty members are the ones who are offering us competition, and they are willing to play girls' rules. Also, they wish unlimited substitution! It ought to be a promising game! How about a little of that old B. T. C. spirit—let's see you all there. You will be killing two birds with one stone—you will show your school spirit, your patriotism and have some fun besides!

### Faculty Take Notice

The students offering competition will be members of the senior class. The second team will be made up of two representatives from the other classes. Faculty, here we come!

### Invitation To Dinner

Miss Decker has invited members of the board to her house for dinner on January 9, 1945. The members of the committees are as follows: Cooks—Lorraine Porter, Alda Costa, and Helen Whiting; Entertainment, Dorothy Brooks and Esther Rosenblatt; Clean-up, Marian Radcliffe, Edith Nolan, Maida Pratt, Louise Reilly and Constance Kennick.

### New W. A. A. Room Sought

Because the W. A. A. room in the gym is needed for a class room it has become necessary to look about for another place to meet. Therefore at the next edition of this column we shall be able to tell you where your W.A.A. equipment has adjourned to. Several places have been suggested, so don't be surprised to see us settled suddenly in a different location on campus.

### Holiday Wish

So wishing you a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, your reporter leaves you with the hope that you will enjoy your vacation and get plenty of rest, fresh air and exercise, so that you may return to the campus with a new and refreshing attitude toward life.

## THE VANITY CASE

Shall we open our fair case this issue and gaze on a bit of the feminine apparel which December has decided to boast? . . . If we look very carefully, we might see that enchanting reflection of a scrumptious, deep purple, woolen date-dress, worn on occasion, by one of the more petite brunette sophomores. Gathered-in effect at front shoulder-line and a narrow belting of the same material fit in nicely with the entire "princess style" effect the dress gives. (A perfect "come-hither" dress for Standish, pet!)

### Senior Chooses "Svelte Styles"

Seniors are always in the limelight when a discussion of clothes is at hand. And speaking of seniors, have you noticed a certain model-height, blonde senior who wears the very smartest in fashions of a rather "svelte" nature? Well, this young miss has certainly made a lasting impression on our reflecting glass. Perhaps you've noticed the fetching drape-effect skirts, and the latest "cape" sleeves with low V-necklines on some of the dating dresses in this young lady's wardrobe. A collection that could steal any man's affections, we'd say!

### Junior Eye-Catcher

Not to slight the fair members of our junior class, we could mention the chic little eye-catcher we saw in our shiny disc while at a Standish dance recently. A tall, slender, and very attractive brunette was the wearer of this particular fashion-setter, incidentally. The dress was one of red rayon-shantung, with fetching, deeply-cut, square neckline, and drape effect at left side of skirt. A flat bow of same fastened at right corner of neckline, and a wide belting tying just above draping on left side, gave the dress a certain modish appearance. Elbow length sleeves—so flattering to the tall person—with fine gatherings at the base made the picture more-than-complete. A stylish miss and a stylish dress!

### Discovery in Fashions

Freshmen are always being discovered, as they phrase it, and in the field of fashions, they are certainly no exception. Why, just last weekend, we flipped open our vanity casually and saw a very striking date-dress on a cute brunette freshman. It was of deep purple velveteen with button-down effect, attractive U-shaped neckline (with tiny darts on either side), and brief, extremely feminine-looking sleeves. The waistline was a very attractive one, with smocking on each side, causing the skirt to fall in soft folds. Half-hidden, side-slit pockets were an added feature, and the buttons which shone so nicely on the purple were of a silver-gray. Perfect attire for that "very special" date.

### Happy Hunting!

It seems we have exhausted our reflective sources for this issue so shall we close our case with a click, and leave you to see our fashions first-hand? . . . Happy hunting in a bright New Year of fashions!



## BOND DRIVE

Monday, the 27th of November, marked the official opening of the Bond Drive here, which is just one small part of the Sixth War Loan. The drive is sponsored by the S.C.A. with Alda Costa as Chairman. It will continue through December 15th.

## With Our Fighting Men and Women

### Bridgewater Man to Wed Florida Girl

The engagement of Miss Martha Lambright Strickland, yeoman 2-c in the WAVES, to Lt. Robert H. Deknes has recently been announced. Miss Strickland's home is in Florida.

Lt. Deknes attended Bridgewater State Teachers College and Mass. School of Physiotherapy before enlisting in 1941. Lt. Deknes is a navigator in the air transport command, stationed at Romulus Air Base, Michigan.

No date has been set for the wedding.

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### Corp. Wm. T. Buckley

Corporal William T. Buckley's group recently received the Distinguished Unit Citation for its extraordinary achievement in destroying 40 Nazi aircraft while bombing an important enemy target in the Balkans. It has staged more than 140 bombing attacks on military installations throughout Hitler's dying empire.

A graduate of Bridgewater Teachers College, Buckley has been in the USAAF since December, 1942. He has been in Italy since January of last year.

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### Edward S. Cheruncha

Edward S. Cheruncha has recently been promoted from ensign to lieutenant (j.g.) in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Lt. Cheruncha has been on a Naval tanker in the Pacific.

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The following is an excerpt from a letter of Ensign Richard McMurray to Jane Russell:

"Florida, the land of sunshine and warmth! Tell it to the Marines. There are, however, occasional beautiful days and nights. The last two nights we were out to sea there was the most beautiful moon, but what good is it when all you have with you is a crowd of male ensigns?"

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The following is an excerpt from a letter of Corporal Joseph Comerford to Jane Russell:

"I would say that the French women are more like the American women than the English, Italian, or German. Although conditions are not, as yet, normal, I believe that the Parisians are not very different from what they were in the pre-war days. This is one of the most interesting things I have noticed in Paris.

Sidewalk cafes are wide open. Theatres are just opening with some old American films—"Tales from Old Manhattan" is the only one I can think of at the moment. Business seems to be booming along the Champs Elysees. At night the cafes are jammed, especially those which have orchestras and floorshows. Prices are very high."

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### Competition

This week the competition is between the Day Students, Dorm Students, and the Faculty. Who will be the winners of this race? Let us see to it that we all do our part in helping our group.

### Goal

The goal is set at \$1000. To date we have sold \$578.35 in bonds and stamps. Let us reach our goal and go over the top if possible.



## HIGH SCHOOL DEAN—

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## Taught in East Bridgewater

Miss Shea, in the fall of the year 1935, accepted a position teaching reading and history in grade one through six in the Allen School in East Bridgewater, her home town. She held this position for three years, and then became teacher of English and guidance in the Junior High School in East Bridgewater. After four years of this work, she became a teacher of history and director of guidance in the Senior High School in East Bridgewater for two years.

## State Consultant from 1941-1944

From 1941 to 1944 she was one of the Massachusetts State Consultants and in 1944 Miss Shea accepted her present position in Wallingford.

## Forty on Faculty

Wallingford is a town with a population of eighteen thousand and a high school population of eight or nine hundred students. There are forty faculty members at Lyman Hall High School.

## Double Session Held

When asked about the plan of the school system, Miss Shea made the following statement: "Lyman Hall was built to accommodate three hundred and fifty students and we have eight hundred ninety this year. This necessitates two sessions. We have what we call 'Morning School' for seniors and juniors and 'Afternoon School' for sophomores and freshmen. Night School is from 7 to 9 P.M. three evenings a week."

## Heads Extra-Curricular Activities

"I serve as faculty adviser for the Junior College Club and direct the Girls' League—an organization that includes all the girls in the school. Our extra-curricular activities are complicated by the fact that whatever we do has to be done twice, once for each school."

## Coaches Class Plays

Miss Shea has just finished coaching both the senior and junior class plays.

## Member of Many Organizations

She is now a member of the following organizations: The National Education Association, The Connecticut Teachers' Association, The Connecticut Association of Deans, The Wallingford Teachers' Club, the Wallingford American Association of University Women, and the National Vocational and Guidance Association.

## Courses A "Review" of Bridgewater

"You don't realize until you start graduate work in education just how much Bridgewater did to prepare you for the greatest profession on earth. Most of the courses in the graduate school are merely a very poor review of what we have already had at Bridgewater," admitted Miss Shea.

## Inspiration Helps A Great Deal

At the close of the interview, Miss Shea made the following statement about her memories of the college:—"I shall always be grateful for the teaching techniques learned in Miss Mary V. Smith's history classes, the sound educational philosophy of Arthur Clarke Boyden, the inspirational and challenging instructions of Dr. Zenos E. Scott, the appreciation of accuracy and precision developed in the science classes of Miss E. Irene Graves, and the constant inspiration given me by Miss Elizabeth Pope who, in the very beginning, showed me just what a Dean of Girls should be."

## FRESHMAN NEWS

Playwrights Auchambeault and Talbot are looking forward to a successful run of their fledgling drama, "The Christmas Tree". Others making out well in the field of drama are Ruth Moriarty, and the many freshmen awarded understudy parts to begin their apprenticeship in the Dramatic Club. Nor has musical talent been ignored. Constance Castano acted as pianist recently here at school. Wouldn't you like to know more about those six "Wood" girls who have named toy pups in their rooms after characters in Greek literature?

## Les Farmerettes!

Horrigan, throw away that Dewey button, won't you? What has the song "We Three" got to do with that Monday night movie? Is it interest in social work or social life that attracts Phyl, Hopey, and Barb to that building? Perhaps their next sociological venture will be located at Tufts.

## A Penny A Man!

Estelle, isn't the situation becoming desperate when it takes a committee of six to assist you every Saturday night. We can account for the rings Shirley gets every night, but won't she tell us more about the one her left hand is now flashing? A marvelous economic accomplishment has been made by the "Tilly" girls who pay their penny bank cash time they introduce the topic of "Men". What better way to finance a college education?

## V-Male

Ginny MacPherson, tell your envying friends how you rated a chief at the dance? Was it that brilliant pin from Tommy that attracted him or shall we give yellow soap treatments the credit? Dot Brittain, we want to know more about your V-Male. Have you seen the picture of "Courageous Jane" Briggs' track star hero that decorates her mirror? Division 3, isn't Queeny a D.A.R.!!

## Paper Muscles

Athletic Department. . . Ask Franny Burbank to demonstrate her jack-knife pattern. Lil and Sue, what inspires these early A.M. bicycle rides (surely not a poetic desire to view the rising sun?)

## Whattsa B.D.D.H.?

Andy, it was Marge and Miriam who treated you to that brilliant series of poetical posters, but don't fret as it could have been worse. Remember that weird mumps goim! We elect Dot Adams the B.D.D.H. of the month.

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STUDENT COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION  
REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

The third regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order by president Mary Sullivan at 9:55.

The council elected Meredith White as secretary pro-tem during the absence of Jean Nicoll. The secretary called the roll and the secretary's report was read and approved.

It was decided that beginning with the S.C.A. election this year a junior will be elected Second Vice President of the Student Council, becoming automatically President the following year.

Miss Sullivan then appointed Catherine Carroll Chairman of a committee to make plans concerning the attendance of certain students at the Eastern Conference.

Alda Costa was appointed chairman of the Stamp and Bond committee.

The president called the council's attention to the fact that criticism has been made that many matters that concern the student body and college as a whole do not find their way to the student council. Members of the council were each given a paper to read which contained suggestions concerning this matter and which was issued to the students in 1941. Miss Helen Kasanovitch was appointed chairman of a committee to revise this mimeographed material.

Louise Reilly reported on the work of the seal and blazer committee and showed some illustrations suggesting a suitable design. It was decided to have a grey background with crimson lettering.

Miss Sullivan then appointed a committee which will be in charge of the blazers. Members of this committee are as follows:—Elizabeth Sheehan, Chairman, Gertrude Chatterton, Betty Connors, Carolyn Roach and Hortense Archambeault.

Sylvia Sundelin and Dorothy Howes were appointed co-chairmen of a publicity committee formed for the purpose of awakening the field of interest in S.C.A.

President Sullivan then appointed Esther Rosenblatt as chairman of a committee to locate a suitable room in the building to be used as a center for S.C.A. activities.

Miss Pope then gave a report on student Christmas offerings for the College staff. She suggested that the council begin planning for this year's Christmas offerings for the staff very soon.

Respectfully submitted,

MEREDITH WHITE,  
Secretary Pro-tem.

The Staff Of  
CAMPUS COMMENT  
Extends to All  
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Merry Christmas  
and  
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Happy New Year

Dec. 1, 1944

The fourth regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order by President Mary Sullivan at 9:55.

The roll was called and the secretary's report was read and accepted.

Helen Moir reported that the S.C.A. dance would be held in the Recreation room of Tillinghast Hall and that thirty-eight men from Hyannis Maritime Academy would come.

Eunice Kohler reported that nearly two tons of paper had been collected in the student scrap drive and that it would be sold shortly.

It was voted to have numerals on the hats and beanies. The hats will be two dollars and the beanies will be one dollar and fifty cents.

Ruth Anderson reported on the questionnaire committee and found the general feeling of the students to be that S.C.A. needs more publicity. The issuing of pamphlets and open meetings were suggested.

There was a discussion as to how the students could find out more about what the S.C.A. was doing and it was decided that the class representatives should take notes of each meeting and report to their division the events of the meeting.

Alda Costa reported on the Stamp and Bond Drive and said that it would continue through the next week.

Esther Rosenblatt reported that her committee had been looking for a suitable S.C.A. center and that the men's faculty room was a possibility.

A report was then given on the Hyannis S.C.A. by Helen Kasanovitch.

President Sullivan said that class representatives would begin to collect twenty-five cents from each student for the Christmas fund.

Miss Reilly then reported on the Seal committee work. She showed six suggestions as to suitable seals and S.C.A. voted on one. The seal will have the college motto on it, the year it was founded, 1840, and the name of the college. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35.

Respectfully submitted

MEREDITH WHITE,  
Secretary Pro-tem.

## CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES—

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## WOOD PARTY

The dormitory party for Woodward was held in the "rec" room on Thursday, December 14. The Christmas gifts from the dormitory students were presented to Miss Pope, Miss Henderson, Miss Haggart, Mrs. Carroll, and Ida Matheson. The sextette sang, and the members of the freshman class put on a skit under the direction of Barbara Talbot. Miss Pope read the Christmas story, and general singing and refreshments brought the evening to an end. The rec room had a real Christmas tree, donated by Martha Vickery and Lorraine Porter.

## Committee Chairmen

The committee chairmen were as follows: Martha Vickery, general chairman; Lorraine Porter, decorations; Barbara Muther, refreshments; Connie Hartwell, singing; and Barbara Talbot, entertainment.

# FIGHTING MEN AND WOMEN— (continued from page five)

Frances Morrell received the following letter from Dick Grimley—of the Class of '45.

Cpl. Richard T. Grimley, 11119426  
Combat Crew Section  
AAF, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Fran,

I imagine by this time you are back in school and starting on your last lap. It has been some time since I last heard from anyone at Bridgewater so I thought I might drop you a line in hopes that I might hear some news.

I was home in May and I intended to go over to the school but my mother was ill and I spent about all my time with her. I also bought a '40 Chevrolet while I was home and I was anxious to try it out but I had to spend most of my time right around the house. I happened to see your picture in the Brockton Enterprise about that time—French Club, Dramatic Club, or something of that nature.

The Army is rapidly becoming a sad story to me. My work is very interesting but at times I get the urge to get into something that speaks of action. I have been a Classification Specialist for almost a year now. It is my job to decide who is the man best fitted for certain jobs. Also, all kinds of reports are submitted by us to Washington, D. C. at frequent intervals. This is a B-29 base and "those babies" are flying all over the place. I have been here since December '43, so it seems almost like home by now. The B-29 is quite a ship but I'd still rather fly in a B-25 or B-17. I hardly ever get the chance to go up, but I hope when my next furlough comes due I can get a hop to Kansas City or Chicago.

I'll bet it is a mighty superior feeling to be a senior with all those underclass-women around. By the way—are there any fellows at all over there now?

I am inclosing a newspaper clipping that I cut out of the home town paper last week about an old friend of yours. I wish it were possible for me to be with him for wherever you find Bill Sides you find plenty of fun!

I received a letter today from my best pal, Ray Boudreau. He and I intend to go back to school together whenever we get out of the Army. He asked me some questions that maybe you could help me answer. He understood that they have a veteran honor roll at B.T.C., and he wished to know if he were on it. If there is such a thing I know that he most certainly should be on it because he was a member of our class up to November of '42—at which time he was drafted into the Army. Of course he didn't come into class until September of that year, but it was his intention to finish his college education at B.T.C. He is in the 87th Division (Infantry), and has been alerted for assignment overseas so I know he would greatly appreciate it if he knew the college still considered him as one of its former pupils—who left only to assist in bringing an end to the war. We may go back to B.T.C. together. I guess it got in our blood. Of course, we now have our choice of schools with money as no object but somehow a small

school appeals to both of us. Then we both plan on going to Columbia for our Master's Degrees.

A few more years of this Army life and I shall feel like an old man. I run around with fellows thirty-eight years old as my best Army friends. Of course they work in Classification with me so we have our work in common. I played baseball this summer out here and am getting set for basketball now. It's a great life.

Well I must close now. Hope this finds you in the best of health.

Yours,

DICK GRIMLEY

P. S. Have you ever seen Chris Sarris since he graduated?



This letter was received by Jane Russell from Sgt. Joseph Comerford, ASN II099212, 083 Dept. APO 887, c/o Postmaster, N. Y. C.

Dear Jane,

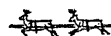
Received from you two letters (V-mail and Air Mail) and a Campus Comment this week. Thank you. Am happy to hear that you enjoyed your gifts so much. I hope that they were in good condition when they arrived. I do not believe them to be sufficient when compared to your faithful correspondence. Again when possible I'll try to find something else for you. Until then keep writing and hoping that I'll find something you might like (I wish that you would suggest something that you might like and I will try to get it for you.) 'Tis unfortunate about those high winds and the hurricane. I hope there wasn't too much damage. The Comment was very interesting but I find there are more and more names that I don't recognize each time I see it. (That's to be expected I guess.) By the way if John L. is still around there ask him to drop me a line. I wrote to him several times but have not received an answer. Thanks for the news about the boys you have seen or at least heard about.

And now me. . . Am still spending time in Paris. What a town! Last week the French had their equivalent of Sadie Hawkins day (St. Katherine's day to them) in honor of their unmarried girls (25 yrs. old.) There were all night dances, parades, prizes for the most original hat, and celebrations of all kinds. I went to a couple of dances, and had a wonderful time, and must admit that these girls take to chasing men very adeptly (Have never been chased before but I certainly was that night. . . in order to tell you the truth I must admit that there were more girls than fellows—guess that more or less explains why I was chased, unfortunately, alas.) Another fellow and I, while on our way home, stopped to cross a street and were surrounded by a group of Katherinettes singing, laughing, and dancing. Before we knew what was going on we were dancing in the middle of the street at the Etoile (Location of the Arc of Triumph). We finally got away (as if we tried to in the beginning) and made our weary way home (about 6:30 in the morning.) This is one of the many social reasons why I don't mind staying in Paris. Outside of this I don't like where I am, first of all because it is so different from the first months I spent in Paris (then again, that is all the more reason I do like it here), and

secondly because I am not with my old friends. This last reason is true in part, but I am again with some other fellows that I knew very well in London; thus I am willing to put up with some things in order to stay here a while longer. So far have seen a few of the sights of Paris, such as: Eiffel Tower; Concorde; Quarters for Pershing and his staff in the last war; Notre Dame Cathedral; The Magdeleine; Sacre Couer; Louvre (from the outside only); Montmartre; Bois de Boulogne; Trocadero; sight of the 1937 world exhibition; Ecole Militaire; and many little known sights. . . Well, enough for now, so long and best of luck to all, and don't forget to say hello to one and all for me.

As ever,

JOE



Lorraine Porter received the following letter from Corporal Ralph L. Herlihy, 1252nd M.P. Co. Avn., APO 759, c/o P.M., N.Y.C.

Dear Rainy,

Am just after coming back from a three day pass, which I spent up in a town seventy or so miles north of here. It really seemed wonderful getting away from things for awhile. My anticipation for civilian life once again is greater than ever now. Had a conducted tour of the Resident General's home by a French Lt. It certainly is a beautiful place. Generals Clark and Patton had visited there on several occasions while they were in this section of Africa.

Suppose this letter will catch you in the middle of your Thanksgiving vacation. Suppose they held the annual supper at school the Wednesday before. Well, Rainy, news is rather scarce and time short, so will be signing off for now.

Same as ever,

RALPH



Connie Macomber received the following letter from Ray Boudreau of the class of '45.

Well, here I am in England, quartered in a town. Thus far I have visited various places of interest including London. I like England very much, perhaps because its terrain, customs, and people are similar to New England. . .

I suppose that you're working hard now. However, when your practice teaching begins the monotony of class work will be over, if not the anxiety and worry.

Life here is fairly pleasant. We go to dances, shows, and etc., in our spare time and travel about somewhat on passes. Over here the countryside is an exact replica of home. However, excessive stone buildings, driving on the left side of the road, cinema's instead of movies, and accent makes it somewhat different. I find the people friendly and nice and especially patient in putting up with us. On a recent pass I visited London, and I shall never forget what I saw. Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, Westminster Abbey, Big Ben, St. Paul's, Tower of London, and all the rest.

Weather here is damp, foggy and rainy. Sometimes it gets you down it is so wet and changeable. . .

(Tomorrow is Thanksgiving. We will have a turkey dinner fortunately. Tonight I shall go to town and take in a show.) . . .

Well, time is limited so I shall close for now. . . From here on it won't be any picnic. However, everything will turn out okay. . . Here's wishing you a very happy Xmas and a New Year paved with success. . .

RAY



Cpl. Ralph L. Herlihy  
1252 M.P.Co. (Avn)  
A.P.O. No. 759  
c/o Postmaster, N.Y., N.Y.

Dear Mary,

Things there at Bridgewater really must be complicated this year with about four Mary Sullivans no less. . . Notice your new title on the envelope.

What's new, Mary? By the time this reaches you, the newness of the place must have pretty well worn away, as it does each year.

It doesn't seem possible that this can be the final year there for all you kids. The time has probably gone by so quickly.

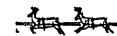
Things are very much the same over here. We have a company of WAC's in town though more and more are on the way. But what we want to know is—where in the world are those girls that win beauty contests and were models, etc. before joining the Army? Guess they are the ones that have pretty good luck back in the States, so there isn't any need to volunteer for overseas duty.

Have you heard how the customs have changed here in Africa since the war has been on? Now instead of having the woman (Arab) walk behind the donkey, while the man rides, she has to walk in front just in case there are any unleft mincs.

I have a pretty good joke on the Democrats and Republicans, but with elections so close the Base Censor has taken all the copies that I have tried to get through. I'll send you one next month.

Take care and write soon, Mary.

As Ever,  
RALPH



William B. Sides of Main Street, North Hanover, is a very proud young man. He has for some time past been connected with the Supreme Headquarters of Gen. Eisenhower and he recently was presented an autographed picture of the famous general. The picture has been sent to his home in North Hanover. Also accompanying the picture he sent what was left of a former incendiary bomb which he picked up while on duty.

Mr. Sides has been in the service for two years. He was a student in his second year at the State Teachers College in Bridgewater when he entered the service and has been overseas for a long time.