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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 Tilting last reception room on the evening of November 17.

Selection of Candidates
Junior 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. These newly elected members are 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. This is in accordance with the motto of Kappa Delta Pi—"Knowledge, Duty, Power"—each item is weighed in turn. The following are some of the new members selected for the meetings of the coming year: seniors—Hilda Houghton, Hannah Leavitt, Angie Reymond, Frances Burns, Sinforosa Aeebo, Dorothy Howes, Anna Walsh, and Carol Rucker; juniors—Edith Maxim, Bernice Novick, Shirley Parry; freshmen—Hilda Reynolds, Mary Twomey.

Chairmen and Committees

The committee chairmen are as follows: President—Edith Maxim; Vice-President—Bernice Novick; Clean-up, Fraternity, Constance Macomber; Hospitality, Constance Macomber; Entertainment, Marjorie Sisson; Refreshments, Rita Custeau; Publicity, Mary Begley; Equipment, Dot Belcher; Decorations, Irene Nickiew; Games—Louise Bigneff, and Tickles, Mary Kennedy.

Glee Club 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 experiences, 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.

Mr. Edgar Mongan is Speaker

Our next speaker on November 28 was Mr. Edgar Mongan, principal of Bridgewater 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 fact out of marking; don’t let income detail get you down; don’t be afraid to talk about your rights as a teacher; and sacrifice only if what you are fighting for is worth it. Few suggestions he gave are: to leave the book where all can see and look at it; to deal with children; don’t come a child; and teach Americanism in and out of the classroom, not as a nationalism but as a way of living.

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 mariners attending, transportation difficulties prevented many from arriving and the dance and social was held in the Recreation Room of Tiltinghast 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 Elizabeth Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rucker, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foth.

At ends Midnight

For those not tornally "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.

Christmas Sing Held

A Christmas Sing was held in chapel December 5, under the direction of Freida Rand, organ; Constance Macomber, vocalist; Mary Keeney, 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 on Thursday evening this year. Formal dress was required, and the dining hall presented a lovely sight, with all in evening gowns. The guests entertained before dinner by the Glee Club.

The guests dined 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 Mortory 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 singing, with Helen Moir of S.C.A. leading. The many teachers’ homes in the neighborhood were decorated with bouquets of evergreen providing a fitting background.

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AT VOL. XVIII, NO. 4 BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS DECEMBER 15, 1944
SHALL WE STOP THEClocks?

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 hangover; we would never lapse into the mere shadow of ourselves at our best. Why must we have this release? 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 eradicat the less commendable traits we reveal to the world on other 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 done for 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; let's look around and get acquainted.

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**CLUB NEWS**

**NEWMAN CLUB**

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

**MEMORAH 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. Cote, 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 parental-child relationship in the home. The title for this talk was displayed on December 10 by the members with the annual Christmas card-round around Bridgewater.

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**PRESS CLUB**

Mr. John Sweeney, 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 "The Child Lies", with a cast of members and appearances, 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 night, November 20, in Boyden Hall. Joan Douglass and Elsie Ficker were the recipients of the prizes.

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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 Tonnay and Mildred Hackett, the proceeds going to the Junior Class.

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**PROFILE**

David Weinstein

A 3-LETTER SPORTSMAN PLAYS SEMI-PRO BASEBALL

Have you ever seen a boy who seems to enjoy everything he does? Has he ever been the center of attention because of his athletic abilities? David Weinstein is just such a person. He is a three-sport student at Bridgewater State Teachers College and is especially interested in basketball.

- Oui, Oui!

Five feet nine inches tall, brown eyes; and guess what, girls—he's majoring in French!
A "Faux Pas" A Day

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

Arrium (part of a Roman House). One B.T.C. historian describes the battle of Arrium—well, perhaps she was right!

Speaking about that battle of Actium, historians certainly do differ. Some say there was one of the generale in common offices. 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 muzzling speakers, 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 boomers not only in words. Did you hear about the girl who took someone's speech recitation down in shorthand?

A note of 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 bones?

Help Wanted: Pennmanship!

"That's right, Queene, give Lenny a course in English. Legislators to book and Midge for cashing in on those mid-season sales while the stakes were high."

The Presy's last is quite the thing nowadays—the few souls who have been to the city are beginning to come back. Dale Carnegie. An' be thy nose, may we elect full sympathy for the cause of an unhappy sophomore. The poor child is panic-stricken about the fate of her brown hair. Of course we're speaking strutting in a parade. Tap-dancing, too.

Adrienne has always been a master artist with the cymbals. Our Little Sisters have spent several summers doing waitress work in hotels in Vermont and New York. Fortunately, people, these summer vacationers! Adrienne has not only worked as a waitress, but she has also been employed in the office of the Hingham shipyard.

Can Twit 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 stepping 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 her 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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ADRIENNE GARFFY

TEXT HER PET SPORT; ALSO TOPS AT TAPPING

"Loves sweetest caress is a kiss on the top of the head," says one of our good 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. That's all 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 Vacationists

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STENGEL'S Inc.
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-Celebrator 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 for New Year's Eve."

A "Good Time"

"All I'm interested in is having a good time", declares a tall, ever-tripping but never slipping freshman woman. "Say, what 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

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Could There Be A Reason

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A Plan Easily Fulfilled

Now here's something 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 guy less 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 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

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W.A.A. ACTIVITIES

Gather around all you athletes and wallflowers and listen to the latest proposals of your executive board on W.A.A. It has been noted that the club has had a lack of attractive among our members, and so various proposals have now been made to the club. 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 active director, that the members of the board have curfew time from second floor in Woodward says, "I'd like a man for New Year's Eve."

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THE VANITY CASE

shall we open our fair case this isu­ tion and gaze on a bit of the feminine apparel which December has decided to borrow. . . . look very carefully, for there might be a lack of enchanting among our members, and so various proposals have now been made to the group. 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.

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FRESHMAN NEWS

Playwrights Chekhov and Tar­
butch are looking forward to a successful run of their budding drama, "The Christmas Trees." Others making well in the field of drama are Ruth Murray, and the many freshmen who have submitted parts to begin their apprenticeship in the Dramatic Club. Nott has musical talent been ignored. Constance Casano acted as pianist recently here at school, wouldn’t you like to know more about those "Wool" girls who have named their room after characters in Greek literature?

Les Farnarrettes!

Harrigan, throw away that Deway button, won’t you! Has the song "We Three" got to get with that Mon­
day night movie? Is it interest in so­
cial work or social life that attracts them? Phyl, Hopey, and Barb to that build­
ning? 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 but not for those every night, but won’t you tell us more about the one her left hand is now flashing? A marvelous economy accomplishment has been made by the "Tilly" girls who pay for every single ring each time you intro­duce the topic of "Men."

What better way to finance a college edu­
cation? V-Male

Connie MacPherson, tell your every­
thing friends how you rated a chief at the dance? Was it that brilliant idea from Tufts that attracted him or shall we give yellow soap treatments to the credit? Dot Brittain, we want to know more about your V-Male. Have you seen the picture of "Courageous John" Briggs’ track star hero that de­
seems her mirror? Division 3, isn’t it? "C'mon a D.A.R.

Paper Muscles

Athletic Department. Ask Frank­
son to barbuck to demonstrate her jack­
knife pattern. Lil and Sue, what in de­
spites these only A.M. bicycle rides (jaunty not a poetic desire to view the rising sun?)

What hath B.D.H.?

Audy, it was Margie and Miriam who trusted you to that brilliant sequel of the Christmas plays, but don’t fret as it could have been worse. Remember that weird mumps goin! We elect Dot Adams the B.D.H. of the month.

STUDENT COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

The third regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order by President Mary Sullivan at 9:35.

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

It was decided that beginning with the S.A.C. election this year a junior president be appointed and the vice-president be the second year.

Miss Sullivan then appointed Cath­

erynne, Chairman of a committee to make plans concerning the attend­
ance of certain students at the Eastern Conference.

Alida 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 in a whole do not find their way to the student council. Members of the council were given a paper to read which contained suggestions concern­
ning this matter and which was issued to the students in 1941. Miss Helen Kaunovitch was appointed chairman in education to revise this mi­
crographed material.

Miss Sullivan reported on the work of the seal and blazer committee and showed some illustrations suggesting the design. It was decided they have a grey background with crimson trim.

Miss Sullivan then appointed a committee which will be in charge of the sale of the 1945 yearbook. Members of this commit­
tee are as follows: Elizabeth Sheehan, Gertrude Clifton, Louise Reilly, and Florence Farmerettes. Louise Reilly was appointed treasurer for the issue of pamphlets and open meet­
ings.

Miss Sullivan then appointed Esther Rosenbloom as chairman of the committee to locate a suitable room in the building to be used as a center for Student Council activities.

Miss Pope then gave a report on the student Christmas offerings for the first week. 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.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

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The dormitory party for Woodward was held in the "Great Room" on Thursday, December 14. The Christmas gifts from the dormitory students were presented to Miss Pope, Miss Hender­
son, Miss Haggart, Mrs. Carroll, and Ada Matheson. Thesecretary 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, decorated by Martha Vickers and Lorantine Porter.

Committee Chairman

The committee chairman were as follows: Martha Vickers, general chair­
man; Lorraine Porter, decorations; Barbara Mather, refreshments; and Barbara Talbot, entertainment.
Fighting Men and Women—

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

Cpl. Richard T. Grimley
11194266
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 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 am anxious to try it out this summer. I am thinking of starting a newspaper clipping project to spend most of my time right around the house. I happened to see your picture in the Brockton Enterprise. Dear Jane, about that time—French Club, Drama. I received from you two letters very sad story to me. My work is very interesting but at times I get the urge to go into something that speaks of action. I have been a Classification Specialist for almost a year now. I must try to decide who is the man best fitted for certain jobs. Also, all kinds of reports are submitted by me 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 I have been here a long time already. The B-29 is quite a ship and 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 trip to Kansas City or Chicago.

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

I am including 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 to get in touch with him for whatever you find Bill Shinn good enough to do.

I received a letter today from my best pal, Ray Boudreau. He and I intend to go back to B.T.C. when we get out of the Army. He asked me some questions that maybe you could help me answer. He understood that they have a veterans home 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 or at the latest by the end of the year, but he kept his intentions to finish his college education at B.T.C. He is in the 87th Division and has been allotted for assignment overseas so I know he would greatly appreciate it if you could assist us.

As you have my 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 Degree.

By the way, I have turned fifteenth this year. It seems to me that I shall be close now. I hope this finds you in the best health.

Yours,

DICK GRIMLEY

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

This letter was received by Joe

Ralph L. Heebly
1252d M.P. Co. AAF
APO 759
(For Postmaster, N.Y. C.

Dear Rainy,

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

Please show this letter to your class of ‘45. I suppose this will catch you in the middle of your Thanksgiving vacation. Suppose they held the annual dance at school the Wednesday before Christmas? Rainy, isn’t this rather scarce and time short, so will be signing off for now.

Same as ever.

RALPH

Lorraine Porter received the following letter from Corporal Ralph L. Heebly:

1252d M.P. Co. AAF
APO 759, c/o P.M., N.Y.C.

Dear Mary,

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RALPH

Connie Mac omber received the following letter from Ray Boudreau of the class of ‘45:

Well, here I am in England, quaint old country. There has been so many different places of interest included in London. I like England very much, the countryside, weather and people are similar to New England—except for the people. I suppose you’re working hard now. However, when your paper becomes the monotony of school 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, cinemas instead of movies, and so on make it somewhat different. The food is friendly and pleasant and especially patient in putting up with us. On a recent pass I visited London, and 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 plan to go to school and take in a show).

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

RAY

Cpl. Ralph L. Heebly
1252d M.P. Co. AAF
APO 759
(c/o Postmaster, N.Y., N.Y.

Dear Mary,

Things are at Bridgewater really must be complicated this year with Marie Sullivan no less...
Notice your new title on the envelope.

What’s new, Mary? By the time this reaches you, the news 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 WACS in town though more and more are over here. But what we want to know is—where in the world are those girls that win beauty contests and wear gowns, 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.

How have you heard the customs have changed here in Africa since the war has been on? New island 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 mines.

I have a pretty good joke on the Donkeys and donkeys that win elections so close the Bees Council 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 yung man. He has for some time past been connected with the Supreme Head Quarters of Gen. Eisenhower and he recently was presented an autographed photograph 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 second year at the State Teachers College in Bridgewater when he entered the service and has been overseas for a long time.