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WOFFORD COLLEGE NEWS LETTER

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PROPOSED \$100,000 STUDENT ACTIVITIES BUILDING

It will contain meeting places for student organization offices for various student activities, a college store, coffee shop, and rooms for alumni and parents who wish to stay overnight.

FROM THE CAMPUS

DEAR ALUMNUS IN UNIFORM:

There is much news from the campus this time. You will remember that in our last letter we told you the 40th C. T. D. would probably remain on the campus for some time to come. Reasons growing out of high strategy decreed otherwise, however, and some weeks ago the newspapers carried the War Department announcement that all college training detachments of the AAF would be closed by June 30th. That, of course, included Wofford.

Unless a contract is made with the government for some other kind of Army training unit, Wofford will have only civilian students after June 30 and for the duration.

The college will not close its doors, no matter how few students. President Greene and the trustees have assured us of that. Dr. Greene told the faculty that he did not accept the presidency of Wofford to "preside over its liquidation."

Shortly after the government announcement, the trustees met and made plans for next year. Among those plans, conveyed to the faculty by President Greene, was the statement that no faculty members would be released because of the decrease in the student body. Though we shall have to take in a little sail in order to ride out the storm, we shall ride it out, as you who know the college expect us to do.

Several of the faculty will get leaves of absence for the duration, in order to accept other jobs. Three members of the faculty will accept full or part time positions on the Converse faculty. Dr. Waller will teach science at the Spartanburg Junior College. Professor Boozer is going into industrial chemistry. Professor Coates has already accepted the acting editorship of the *Spartanburg Journal*. He began his duties on May 1st. Those faculty members who were employed specifically for the teaching of Air-Crew students will find jobs elsewhere.

President Greene attended the General Conference of the Methodist Church in Kansas City in May. . . . Dean Norton spent week at the home of his parents in Mississippi in April, following the death of a brother.

President Greene is making commencement addresses at Randolph-Macon College, Paine College, and Greensboro Woman's College.

Dean Norton is delivering commencement ser-

mons and addresses at a number of high schools in the State.

Commencement

Twenty men will receive degrees at the commencement this June 5, the smallest number in many a year. Eight of them will be conferred *in absentia*. Dr. John Temple Graves will deliver the commencement address. The commencement will be streamlined this year—no ROTC certificates of course, no class day exercises, no reception afterwards, no Sunday night address by the president to the graduating class. Mr. Henry R. Sims, class of '13, will deliver the Saturday night alumni address at the Cleveland Hotel, June 3. The commencement sermon will be delivered to both Converse and Wofford senior classes by Bishop Wm. T. Watkins of the Methodist church, on May 28 in the Converse auditorium. Wofford will confer honorary degrees on the following men: Dean F. M. Kinard of Clemson College, Wofford, '23, Litt. D. degree; Rev. F. E. Dibble, Methodist pastor at Conway, Wofford, '95, D. D. degree; and Rev. L. D. Gillespie, pastor of Shandon Methodist church, Columbia, D. D. degree.

Summer School

There will be two sessions of summer school, the first beginning on June 13. The ROTC plans to operate this summer. Capt. E. L. Culler is in charge of the unit, which will be back on the campus. The regular session of the school in September will, of course, be held on the campus. Though a large enrollment is not expected—perhaps one hundred—the school will operate, no matter how small the student body.

News Letter To Be Issued Quarterly

The next issue of the NEWS LETTER, which has previously come to you every two months since it was first published in October, 1942, will hereafter appear every three months. The next issue will reach you about September. This is in line with the financial retrenchment policy made necessary by the withdrawal of the AAF unit and the reduced student body.

FROM THE EDITOR

If you haven't written to us, drop us a line, won't you? Even if you don't want to be quoted in the NEWS LETTER, we like to hear from you. If you have already written, keep on writing. We save your letters—they help to boost home front morale!

Please let us know of your promotions and decorations or tell your folks to let us know. We like to keep the records up to date.

About all those changes in ink on the envelopes: We make most of the changes ourselves. You see, addressograph plates were made a year ago. Since then, many of you have had promotions, and many have moved. Hence the changes in ink. We suppose we ought to go through the files and get the ranks and home addresses corrected, but we don't seem to find time. Anyway, we get a certain amount of pleasure out of looking closely at your names; it makes us remember your faces better and helps us recall all sorts of memories of you in your college days.

Do you have any suggestions as to the improvement of the NEWS LETTER? Please write us if you do.

When you write to us, won't you list your college class? It will save us a lot of time.

Can any of you give us the home or military address of any of the following: Homer H. Young, Lt. Brunus W. Pinson, Capt. W. E. Willis, Ben L. Kilgo, Lt. James D. Phillips, Lt. Douglas J. Jones, Lt. H. E. McDowell, Lt. Col. J. C. Pruitt, Lt. J. M. McLeod, Capt. Robert H. Long, W. R. Linkenauer, Joe S. Amos, Jr., Lt. W. D. Evans, Lt. Ralph B. Praytor, Alvis E. Hendley, Jr., Lt. Col. Albert B. Bullington. Although your editor took over his duties as acting editor of the Spartanburg Journal on May 1st, he will continue to edit the NEWS LETTER for the duration. He hopes that you will not consider him any the less interested in Wofford and Wofford men. You are never far from his thoughts, or for that matter, from the thoughts of all those connected with the college.

ADDITIONS TO ALUMNI IN SERVICE

A/S David S. Barry, '46, AAF.
Ens. Harry Belk, '43, N.
1st Lt. Sidney W. Crews, '43, AAF.
A/S Dendy Garrett, '45, NAC.
Sgt. Willis L. Gregory, '39, AAF.
Captain Cecil L. Heckard, '36, AC.
Pfc. Martin W. Heckard, Jr., '38, A.
Lt. (jg) Thos. W. Herbert, N.
Lt. James T. Halladay, '28, A.
A/S Everette C. Jeffcoat, '30, N.
Lt. John H. McMillin, '42, A.
Pfc. H. W. Koopman, Jr., '44, A.
Pvt. Manuel Pressman, '46, A.
Sgt. Rufus M. Rowe, '42, A.
Chaplain Wm. C. Stackhouse, '40, AC.
S. 2/c Donald H. Fraser, '46, N.
Lt. H. W. Smith, '35, A.
S/2 cl. E. C. Lancaster, N.
1st Lt. E. H. Thomason, '27, A.

PROMOTIONS

Corporal: John F. Anderson, '44, AAF; Wm. D. Hanna, '43, A; Horace A. Roberts, '43, A; Woodrow W. Deaton, '43; W. E. Campbell, Jr., '43.
Sergeant: George B. McMillan, '43, A; Edward S. Clarke, '41; Ray F. Peck, '44; R. L. Hallman, Jr.
T/Sgt.: Thomas C. McSwain, '43, AAF.
S/Sgt.: Mahlon H. Bagwell, '40, AAF.
2nd Lieutenant: Lavoy D. Bouknight, '43, A; W. K. Thompson, '43, A; John L. Williams, '44, AAF.
Flight Officer: John F. Barry, '43, AAF.
1st Lieutenant: E. B. Blackmon, '42, USMC; Frank O. Ezell, '43, EAFF; Clyde J. Lever, '29, AAF; Lex T. Upton, '40, A; Marion D. Ogburn, '42, A; Joe H. Beckham, '37, A; James W. Norton, '35, USMC; Richard C. Kennan, Jr., '44, AAF; Joseph P. Stabler, A.
Captain: Wilbur O. Stephens, '42, A; James E. Scott, '30, AC; Richard Rouquie, '40, AAF; John G. Floyd, '29, A; Robt. N. DuBose, '38, AC; J. H. Ayer, '38, A; T. H. Vickery, '42, AC; Newton Howle, '41, USMC; Jones B. Huskey, '40, A; John F. Mabry, A; C. L. Chapman, Jr.

Major: Peter J. Newton, '37, A; Guy O. DeYoung, Jr., '39, A; L. M. Cecil, Jr., '35; Henry H. Crum, '35, A; James D. Nelson, '32, AMC.

Lieutenant (jg): L. L. Lokey, '24, USN; Henry S. Cecil, '42, USNR.

Lieutenant, Navy: Frank H. Powell, '35; Pickett Lumpkin, '37; C. B. Wall, '41; Chas. F. Cecil, '39.

DECORATIONS

Lt. J. E. Roberts, '42: DFC (previously awarded Air Medal, 4 Oak Leaf clusters and Purple Heart) "for extraordinary achievement while serving as pilot of B-26 airplane on bombing missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe."

T/Sgt. Thomas C. McSwain, '43: DFC for "heroism in flight and exceptional and outstanding accomplishment in operations over 200 hours of long-range bombing missions" in Southwest Pacific. Sgt. McSwain is a nose gunner.

Pvt. Harry L. Harvin, '43: Purple Heart for wounds received in action in Italy.

Lt. Sidney W. Crews, '43; DFC for action in the Southwest Pacific.

1st Lt. Chas. W. Hicks, AAF; DFC for action over Italy.

ITEMS ABOUT YOU

Pfc. Nick Karelekas, '45, is at Pine Camp, New York. . . . Pvt. Joseph P. Foster, '42, is with an engineers company at Fort Jackson, S. C. . . . Major Maner L. Tonge, '26, is at APO 159, San Francisco. . . . Sgt. Willis L. Gregory, '39, is at APO 706, unit one, San Francisco. . . . Lt. John H. McMillin, '42, is with an airways communication squadron, MacDill Field, Florida. . . . Lt. Harry H. Howle, '42, AAF, who has been instructing at a basic school, was on the campus in April. He tells us that his brother, Lt. J. Delbert Howle, '40, is the proud father of a daughter. . . . Lt. Joe H. Beckham, '37, is at APO 758, New York. . . . Capt. James A. Ward, '37, is at Greenville, Pennsylvania, 25 Bessemer street. . . . Sgt. Terrence M. Genes, '43, is at APO 650, New York. He hopes to return to Wofford when the war is over. . . . Major LeRoy H. Cox, '24, who served as alumni secretary, director of public relations and dean before entering the armed services, is stationed at Greensboro, N. C., 1224 Westover Terrace. . . . Sgt. Rufus M. Rowe is with a base hq. and A. B. sq., Station Hospital, Hammer Field, Fresno, Calif. . . .

Chaplain James E. Scott, '30, is at Morris Field, Charlotte, North Carolina. . . . Capt. J. G. Floyd, '29, is with the Q.M. depot, Atlanta, Georgia. . . . A/S James M. Ivy, '42, is at Stamford, Texas. . . . Pvt. Ivan L. Ivy, '46, is at APO 7563, N. Y. . . . Pvt. Manuel Pressman, '46, is in an ITB Bn., Camp Wolters, Texas. . . . Lt. Byron S. Davis, '42, is at APO 5, N. Y. . . . Col. Wm. M. Connor, '97, (USA ret.) is at University Station, Charlottesville, Va. . . . Lt. Baker Lucas, '40, after nearly two years in the Pacific theatre, recently was on the campus for a visit. He is now at O'Reilly Genl. Hospital, Springfield, Missouri, for treatment. . . . Pfc. H. W. Koopman, '44, is with a Med. Training Bn., Camp Grant, Illinois. . . . Major G. O. DeYoung, Jr., '39, is at APO 4, N. Y. . . . Capt. Richard F. Cecil, '34, is at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia. . . . Major L. M. Cecil, Jr., '35, is at 45 Davis Blvd., New Orleans. . . . Lt. Charles F. Cecil, '39, is at Park Lane Hotel, Kansas City. . . . Lt. (jg) Henry S. Cecil, '42, is on a USSPC, Fleet Post Office, N. Y. . . . Pvt. Thos. O. Lawton, '45, is at APO 698, N. Y. . . . Lt. Lex T. Upton, '40, is at APO 600, N. Y. . . . Major Henry H. Crum, '35, is at APO 230, N. Y. . . . Capt. James A. Patch, '39, is at APO 15156, N. Y. . . . 1st Lt. W. R. Jones, '38, after serving in the infantry for some

REUNION DINNERS—EUROPEAN THEATRE

The Stars and Stripes College Registration Service, APO 887, N. Y., tells us it is planning some sort of reunion dinner and asks for any material we may have, such as song sheets, pennants, 16 mm. film, to dress up the occasion. We are going to do our best. In the meantime, if you are in the European theatre, won't you drop a line to the above address, giving your name, rank, college class (no matter how short a time you may have attended Wofford, you are a Wofford man!), APO number, and outfit. T. A. Bell, '38; E. C. Burnett, Jr., '39; W. L. Hardin, '37; B. L. Mitchell, '40; H. Shields, '44, and E. H. Thomason, '27, have already registered. We know there are literally dozens more. Make it a big party!

FROM YOUR LETTERS

I would like to express my appreciation for the work being done on the NEWS LETTER in keeping Wofford men everywhere informed as to the whereabouts of each other. I have greatly enjoyed reading the letters from so many and of knowing of their activities.

On being called to active duty, I came direct to Benning, where I have been ever since. I like it here very much, and it is surprising how many Wofford men pass through the Infantry School here. I must have seen a couple of hundred since July, 1942. . . .

CAPTAIN J. A. WHITE, '42,
Post Hq., Fort Benning, Ga.
(March).

I was invited by a friend of mine to spend Christmas with him in Bethlehem. . . . I had to decline. . . . Yet, I am not giving up hope of visiting the country which fascinated me so much when I sat and listened to Dr. Rembert's lectures on the Synoptic Gospels. . . .

Sgt. J. C. FREEMAN, Persian
Gulf Command, APO 523,
Postmaster, N. Y. (December).

Ensnored and settled in Panama, I hasten to write, informing you of my new address. . . . One night at a movie I spotted Joseph P. Stabler, who was in my class at Wofford. . . . When I find a familiar face I consider myself lucky. . . . Primary sources of diversion now are (1) study of Spanish, (2) a litter of "Sooner" puppies and awful prospects of another litter, (3) a garden plot purported to beautify our abode. . . . There is much wild life in Panama, some on four feet, some on two.

CPL. BERNARD CANNON,
APO 826, New Orleans, La. (May)

Please add my name to the list of those to whom the NEWS LETTER is sent. I finished my "boot" training here and am just waiting to be shipped out. . . . I'd like to keep up with the "goings on" at Wofford. Even though I spent only a few months actually on the Wofford campus, my personal post war plans include returning to Wofford as a student.

S. 2/c DONALD H. FRASER, '46,
USNTC, Sampson, N. Y. (May)

In spite of the fact that my bulletin has to travel thousands of miles, it reaches me, and I enjoy it immensely. . . . England is very enjoyable and interesting. I hope to be home before too long and visit the beloved Wofford campus. . . .

MAJOR CECIL G. HUSKEY, '46,
APO 472, New York (April).

Not long ago I was pleased to see Capt. Bill Hicks, '40, who is special service officer of his unit. We had a good time talking about our days at Wofford. . . . I am personnel officer of my unit. . . . Since leaving the States I have had the opportunity to see a number of inter-

time, was transferred to the Glider Corps, and from there to the Air Corps. He has the longest set of initials for his address we think we've seen (SOGAAFPS(P)SAACC). Can you beat it? . . . His brother, Capt. James Gilbert Jones, '36, has been overseas since September, 1942. He is now at APO 34, N. Y. . . . S/Sgt. Mahlon H. Bagwell is at APO 719, N. Y. . . . Capt. B. R. Ulmer, Jr., '36, is at APO 251, N. Y. . . . Cpl. Floyd L. Heckard, '44, is with the 3rd S.T.R., Fort Benning. . . . Pfc. M. W. Heckard, '38, is at APO 79, N. Y. . . . Chaplain (Captain) Cecil L. Heckard, '36, is at APO 503, unit 1, San Francisco. . . . Capt. Jasper H. Ayer, '38, is at Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi. . . . Capt. Dan W. Willis, '32, is at APO 9769, San Francisco. . . . Lt. Rogers D. Littlejohn, '44, after service with the AAF in England (where he received the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters) was on the campus in late March. From here, he went to an AAF redistribution station at Miami. . . . Sgt. Geo. B. McMillan, '43, is a basic field training instructor at the QM Repl. Trng. Center, at Camp Lee, Va. . . . Pvt. Everett L. Williams, '36, is at the QM school, Camp Lee, Va. . . . Cpl. W. D. Hanna is at APO 423, N. Y. . . . Lt. Marion D. Ogburn, Jr., '42, is at APO 9988, San Francisco. . . .

Capt. A. P. Evans, '37, is at APO 928, San Francisco. . . . Sgt. Henry B. Snyder, '40, is with a Coast Artillery unit, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. . . . Cpl. Claude R. Edwards, '43, is with a training regt. ASTB BTC, Fort Benning. . . . Lt. Col. Thomas M. Bennett, '34, is at Hq. Orlando Fighter Wing, AAFAC, Orlando, Florida. . . . Lt. Howell M. Henry is at a BAAF Ground School, Blytheville, Ark. . . . Lt. N. D. Pace is at APO 9217, N. Y. . . . Lt. Walter R. Brown is at Jefferson QM Depot, Jeffersonville, Ind. . . . Capt. W. N. Harrelson, '38, is at APO 85, N. Y. . . . Lt. James R. Smith, '38, is at APO 863, N. Y. . . . T/Sgt. Herbert C. Shealy, '43, was wounded in action in England in February and can be reached at Central Postal Directory, APO 640, N. Y. . . . 1st Lt. Thomas E. Walsh, '41, is at APO 468, N. Y. . . . BM Jimmy Tribble, '45, recently sat down in a movie theatre at Lake Champlain and found that he was sitting beside Paul A. Wood, '45, who is taking naval training there. . . . Pvt. James W. Crocker's ('36) new APO is 501, San Francisco. . . . Lt. John L. Williams, '44, is at Central Instructor's School, Randolph Field, Texas. . . . 1st Lt. E. Cullen Bryant, '37, was killed in action at Anzio, March 11. He had previously been wounded in the invasion of Italy. . . . Lt. Sidney W. Crews, '43, has recently returned to this country after serving as pilot of a B-24, in which he flew 56 combat missions in the Southwest Pacific, destroying a Japanese Zero and receiving the DFC. . . . Cpl. W. E. Campbell, Jr., '43, is at Camp Ellis, Illinois. . . . Sgt. Edward S. Clarke, '41, is at APO 270, N. Y. . . .

Lt. Brian F. Hodges, '38, AAF, was killed in action March 24 on the Burma front. . . . Pvt. Michael C. Oakman, '46, was killed on the Italian front in March. . . . Harry Harvin, '43, recently received the Purple Heart for wounds on the Italian front. He expects to be back on duty soon. . . . Sgt. Ray F. Peck, '44, is at Tyndall Field, Fla. . . . Lt. (jg) R. W. Rainwater, Jr., is at Fleet Post Office, San Francisco. . . . Lt. Chas. W. Hicks recently returned to the States after 50 missions in a P-38 over Africa and Italy—two ME 109's to his credit, and maybe two more.

Lt. Archie Beckelheimer, from Camp Polk, La., came by to see us recently.

A/C Frank Pegues was in town recently on his way to Primary Flight Training.

1st Lt. John E. Bomar, AAF, is home on furlough from the Southwest Pacific, where he took part in over 150 flying missions.

Lt. (jg) Henry Cecil dropped by to see us during his furlough from sea duty. He reports that his brother, Capt. Richard Cecil, who was wounded in the North African campaign, is making steady progress toward recovery.

esting sights, among them the Rock of Gibraltar and Mt. Vesuvius during its eruption. . . . W. O. (jg) FRANK M. RICHBOURG, '40 (in Italy) APO 464, N. Y. (April).

How times have changed: I took pictures of cows grazing among the ruins of Carthage and of horses eating in the Public Forum by the temple of Jupiter at Dugga! . . . Three of my friends and I were standing in front of the Post Exchange in a large city, waiting for transportation, when an old, one-eyed Arab tried to sell us some poignards. . . . He tried to sell us collectively and individually. I "shooed" him to one of my friends, who in turn passed him on to the third friend, who finally told the man that he wanted "absolutely nothing" from him. Just at that time the jeep came for us and, as we got in, I heard the old Arab mutter in French, "One must have patience with 'characters'!" . . . I will be glad when I can put my feet on the campus again. . . .

1ST LT. HERBERT HUCKS, JR.,
APO 763, N. Y. (April).

. . . A brief letter to let you know I am back in the States and have enjoyed a month's leave at home. I am now at an amphibious training base awaiting orders. . . . Isabel and Troy (wife and young son.—Ed.) are in fine health. . . . I am able to get home to see them for a few days now every third week-end, which is a wonderful improvement on "no see" for a year and a half. . . .

LT. PICKETT LUMPKIN, '37, USNR
(recently in SW Pacific) (May).

I just received the last issue of the NEWS LETTER, which I appreciated very much. . . . The Marine Corps has taught me to appreciate a lot of things. It's a swell outfit. . . . There is something about the spirit of Wofford that really sticks with you. . . . It's hard keeping up with sports where I am, but I guess it is for everybody (Warren, we remember, knew the names, home towns, batting averages, etc., of all the big league ball players when he was in college—Ed.)

PFC. W. G. ARIAIL, USMC,
APO San Francisco (April).

Thanks a lot for the copy of the NEWS LETTER. . . . The longer I am out the gladder I am that I attended Wofford. . . .

PVT. ROACHEL DENT KING, '45,
APO 507, New York (April).

I received the February issue of the NEWS LETTER the other day and enjoyed it lots. It had traveled both the Pacific and Atlantic before reaching me. I met a few of the Wofford men at a dinner-dance for South Carolina men and we enjoyed talking of the good old Wofford days. . . .

LT. JOHN C. BURTON,
APO 149, N. Y. (April).

Since I last saw you and we had pie and coffee together I have been all over the world—at least it seems that way to me. . . . Since arriving in California, I have had four different addresses, and all my mail for months back is still trying vainly to catch up with me. . . . During all of my travels I have received one Wofford NEWS LETTER, and I still have it with me as a little reminder. . . . While in San Francisco, I saw Capt. C. L. DuBose, of the class of '41, several times. He was swell to me. . . .

PVT. DAVID L. WRIGHT, '46,
APO 703, San Francisco (March).

. . . There are many Wofford men near me, among them being Col. Steele. . . . The outfit I am commanding was commended by a visiting general recently. . . . We are striving to have the best outfit of its kind here in the

ETO. . . . We, too, will be glad when we can return to the States. . . .

1ST LT. FRANK O. EZELL, '43,
APO 595, N. Y.

Your correspondent is somewhere in the Central Pacific. Life out here is quite interesting and eventful. Haven't run across any Wofford men since leaving the States, but am on the lookout for them. Please give my regards to the faculty and to my old buddies in your next NEWS LETTER. . . . Can you send me the military addresses of the following men: Henry Rollins, '44; Horace Smith, '42; Jimmy Chitty, '43; Howard Berkman, '45; Robert Odum, '42; Ralph Epps, '42; James Rountree, '39; Lovelace Gunter, '39; Hollis Owens, '43; Robert Dantzer, '43. (Ed. Note: Drop Ed. a card with your address. Your editor has only the home address of some of you.)

1ST LT. E. B. BLACKMON, '42,
USMC, FP, San Francisco.

I entered service at Fort Jackson, was transferred to Fort Moultrie, then to Camp Claiborne. . . . I was sent to school at Benning for three months. . . . I was promoted to captain in April, 1942, and to major in May, 1943. . . . I was married to Miss Ethel Rogers, of Andrews, S. C., in 1939. We have two daughters, one born in 1941 and one in 1943. . . . I am commanding a battalion now and like it fine. . . .

MAJOR PETER J. NEWTON, '37,
Camp Pickett, Va. (April).

. . . The prize bit of news (from the NEWS LETTER) is that Capt. J. D. Sumner has my same APO. Just as soon as I can, I'm going to look him up. . . . At present I'm taking a compulsory rest in the hospital. A Jerry shell and I got too close together a few weeks ago, with this as a result. Luckily, no permanent damage seems to have been done, and I hope to be back in my outfit in a few weeks. . . . My mail has taken a most opportune time to catch up with me. I've received at least fifty letters in the last ten days. Some of them were as old as November, but that didn't matter. After the seventh change of address since coming over, it's no wonder. . . . I think just about every branch of the service has Wofford men in it. "Liberal Arts" fits them for anything, eh? . . .

PVT. HARRY L. HARVIN, JR., '43,
APO 698, N. Y. (March).

I am now stationed at New Orleans, Louisiana, after having had duty on the USS South Dakota, the "Battleship X" that fought at Santa Cruz and Guadalcanal. . . .

LT. (jg) L. L. LOKEY, '24, USN,
Fed. Bldg., Room 648,
New Orleans 12, La. (April).

Since the 15th of January of this year I have been the chaplain at the U. S. Naval Station in Seattle, Washington. . . . I am looking forward to a happy reunion of Wofford service men after this present holocaust is over. . . . I have enjoyed my work here tremendously so far. . . . I receive splendid cooperation from my fellow officers. . . . They have established me in a very fine office, where I have private interviews with the personnel. In addition to this, I visit the Dispensary, the Brig, and numerous ships and small craft that dock here. I also write a column in the Station's paper. . . .

CHAPLAIN (LT-jg) ROBERT L. MURPHY, '39,
USNR, Seattle, Washington (April).

There are so many occasions when a man in the service thinks of his Alma Mater, of those on her campus who keep the flame burning, and those in foreign lands keeping faith with the destiny which points out a new world when the conflict is ended. . . . Lawrence (Capt. W. L. Hardin, a brother.—Ed.) is now in Ireland. . . . At this camp are two other Wofford men,

Captain Wilson Farr, '32, and Lt. James T. Holladay, '28, legal officer and mess officer, respectively. . . . Being in England is a very interesting experience, though travel and accommodations are necessarily restricted. There is much to admire in these people, though I'll be more than delighted to become a Carolinian at the war's end!

SGT. E. K. HARDIN, '32,
APO 637, N. Y. (March, 1944).

I received the April NEWS LETTER from my wife and was pleasantly surprised to read once more of college mates and note their APO's. I wasn't really aware of the friends I had lost contact with these past three years, and so I read and reread every bit of news it contained. . . . I've now put in a year's service over here in New Guinea—now have over 100 combat missions to my credit. . . .

1ST LT. RICHARD C. KEENAN, JR., '44,
APO 713, San Francisco.

"You will notice my address has been changed once again. . . . It was wonderful to get a little liberty and see people and stores again. I didn't quite know how to act, but I really got a lot of pleasure just walking around and buying things, eating, and going to a movie. . . . The NEWS LETTER reaches me every time. . . . Sometimes it takes months to come in, but I haven't missed an issue yet. . . . At present I'm attending a short officers' school. . . . It rather reminds me of my old school days. . . .

CAPT. JAMES L. SWITZER, '40, USMC,
c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco (April).

I have been receiving the editions of the NEWS LETTER regularly. . . . There seems to be a scarcity of Wofford men in my theatre. I have covered quite a bit of territory in my eighteen months overseas, and so far I have met only one alumnus, Lt. Horace Carter. I have participated in two campaigns so far—Guadalcanal and Cape Gloucester. . . . I am a Bomb Disposal Officer, and I like my work very much—at least no one bothers you while you work! . . . At present things are rather dull, so we have taken up chasing butterflies! If anyone should see us, he would probably think we were cracking up. There are really some beauties here. . . .

1ST LT. DAVID C. GIBSON, '41, USMCR,
Fleet P. O., San Francisco (April).

Please note the APO number, as I don't wish to miss any issues, and like to get them as soon as possible. . . . Mail service from the states to England is excellent, and letters seem fresh and recent when they get here. I like England. . . . It seems more like the states and home than anywhere else I have been since being overseas. . . . I wouldn't swap my experiences in Africa, Sicily, and Italy for quite a lot, but am happy to be in our kind of civilization again. . . . For the next issue of the NEWS LETTER: James D. Nelson is now a major, MC, and his new APO is 698, N. Y. . . . I was glad to find Bill Watkins' APO number as USN. Lt. (jg) Small, with whom Bill and George Thorpe were at the U. of Va. law school, was asking about him a few days ago.

CAPT. W. S. BETHEA, '32, MC,
APO 133, N. Y. (April).

. . . About one year ago, I had the pleasure of meeting Reed Patrick, '42, who was at the SAACC at San Antonio while I was there. He is the only Wofford man I have seen so far, but I am sure to see more of them before the war is over. . . . Could you inform me of the whereabouts of Lt. Tom Fowler, Lt. Johnny Franks, and Johnny Rogers?

CPL. JOHN F. ANDERSON, '44,
SEGTS, Foster Field, Texas.
(April).

. . . This little craft of mine was kept at a steady, day-and-night pace for almost six weeks without letup. It has slacked off recently, but not appreciably. We still don't eat or sleep too regularly, and the Japs sometimes annoy us for a few hours. . . . I am probably just as well off without the baubles of civilization! . . . I swim quite a bit and have tanned to a neat, nut brown. . . .

ENSIGN J. L. THOMASON, '42, USNR,
FPO, San Francisco (March).

. . . I was sent here to Merced as an instructor. . . . This is the nicest place I've been to so far. Our post is known as the "greatest little post in the world." . . . We are at the entrance to the Yosemite National Park. . . . I can now appreciate what the faculty have been putting up with for years! I never before realized how much was involved in trying to teach a group of people a strange subject. . . . I had a letter from Ben Griffin recently. He is stationed on Oahu. . . . Jesse Wood, another Wofford boy, is now a first Louie with the Field Artillery in Italy. He left the States as a sergeant. . . .

LT. JOHN W. HENRY, '41, AAF,
Merced Army Air Field,
Merced, Calif. (April).

. . . I saw Major Brown, from Manning, the other day. I also had a call from Capt. John Anderson, from the class of '39, and I am going to speak to a group of their officers. . . . Give my regards to all the faculty. . . . I have seen many interesting sights here in England. . . .

CAPT. GUY E. CARR, '39, Infantry,
APO 9, N. Y. (March).

. . . There's never an issue in which I don't find some mention of several boys I know and remember well, and I must confess that the experience makes me a little homesick. . . . I never thought I'd wind up here in Texas. . . . The Naval Air Training Center is a mammoth one, comprising the main station and several smaller ones. . . . I'll be teaching navigation here, just as I did at Glenview. . . .

LT. ALBERT STANBURY, USNR,
606 Morgan Street, Corpus Christi,
Texas (April).

. . . I obtained the latest issue of the NEWS LETTER from Ensign Bill Faust (W. A. Faust, '44—Ed.), who is temporarily sharing the same bunk room with me. Curiously enough, about three weeks ago, while making a trip through various Pacific islands, I was bunked in the same tent with a red-headed lieutenant of Marines whose face looked familiar, although I knew I had never seen him before. . . . I asked him if he was, by any chance, related to Dr. C. C. Norton. He was. In fact, it was Dr. Norton's brother (Woodrow Norton, '35—Ed.). . . . By the time you receive this, I shall probably be back in combat again—I hope.

CAPT. DEAN S. HARTLEY, JR., '41,
USMAR, Fleet Post Office,
San Francisco (March).

Well, I finally made the trip. Am somewhere in England—not a bad place. . . . The food and living conditions are all right. Hope I run into some of the fellows. . . .

PVT. ROACHEL DENT KING, JR., '45,
APO 507, N. Y. (March).

The copies of the NEWS LETTERS that my wife has forwarded to me certainly were welcomed. . . . I have been in the Mediterranean area for nearly ten months, part of which I have spent doing liaison duty with the Royal Navy—also have been mixed up in three amphibious landing operations. . . . Recently I have seen Ben Creighton, Cecil Lawter, J. D. Sumner, Major

Foster, Ben Hill Brown, Jr., and Earle Poole. . . . Am still on the trail of Marshall Ligon and Buck Thomson. . . .

LT. FRANK H. POWELL, '35,
USNR, FPO NYC (March).

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The NEWS LETTER really "puts one back on the campus" for a few minutes. . . . I am eagerly awaiting the day when I, and many of my class can make the dream of returning a reality. . . . There are no Wofford men here with me but I've talked to several that took air crew training there. They were free and frank in expressing their satisfaction.

A/C L. A. JACKSON, '46
Maxwell Field, Ala. (April).

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Of all the people from Wofford, I have only seen two or three since I have been in the Army. I saw Bob Moore, '40, at the bus station at Spartanburg in October. . . . I have been over here for some time, and I happened to see Harry Giles, '39, about a week after I landed. . . . The picture on the NEWS LETTER (Feb.) brought back some happy memories. . . .

CAPT. E. C. BURNETT, JR., '39,
APO 308, N. Y. (March).

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I continue to meet old 40th CTD boys here. . . . It looks like a family reunion. . . . Have been here only three days (March 14), but ran into Joe Marlowe yesterday. . . . He says Salters is here too. . . . Denver is nice, albeit a bit chilly for my blood.

PVT. R. O. PURDY, '43,
Buckley Field, Denver, Co. (March).

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I have been overseas nine months (seven and one-half months in New Guinea). As yet, I have not seen a Wofford man. . . . I hope to run into one soon. . . . I am in the Air Force Quartermaster. . . . We have to work hard, but we don't mind, for the harder we work the sooner the war will be over. . . . I have seen a lot of this war, and believe you me, Sherman was right!! . . . I have spent many an hour in a fox hole, and I guess I will spend many more in one. . . . Tell the faculty I hope to come back some day and be a better student for them than I was in the past. Keep the NEWS LETTER coming.

CPL. HORACE A. ROBERTS, JR., '43,
APO 713, Unit 1, San Francisco
(March).

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I'm now down on Kwajalien Island, in the Marshalls. No, I've done nothing heroic—I'm just here. It isn't too bad here, and my company has been very lucky so far. . . . Hope that all the members of the faculty are still there and in good health.

CAPT. NEWTON HOWLE, '41, USMC,
Fleet Post Office, San Francisco,
(February).

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The NEWS LETTER was particularly helpful during my lengthy tour in the northern part of Ireland. Up there, Wofford men were conspicuous in absentia. I don't recall meeting a

single one. At the present I'm enjoying the lovely spring weather in England. I had a very pleasant chat with Major Travis Brown, who is located nearby. He is looking quite fit, and reports that John Anderson is stationed in this vicinity. My brother Edward is also in England, and I recently had a week's visit from him. . . .

CAPT. W. LARRY HARDIN,
APO 129, N. Y. (May, 1944).

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I've thought about all of you . . . and how proud we are of the way you are carrying on and the part you are playing in training men for the job at hand. . . . I'm getting along fine and like my new assignment and England very much. I'm looking forward to a big Wofford reunion when victory is ours, and just hope that the day is not too far away. . . .

CPL. HENRY L. ("Sonny") BETHEA, '40,
APO 140, N. Y. (April).

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I believe you asked me to let you know where I landed when I was inducted into the service. Here on familiar territory, I am being indoctrinated into the Navy. This sounds like a rather forced verb, perhaps, but then we actually hardly feel like naval officers yet, save on week-ends. Then we flower out in blue and gold.

LT. (jg) THOMAS W. HERBERT, USNR,
NTS, Princeton, N. J. (May).

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I have just finished Preflight here. I coasted through on the "momentum" I built up at Wofford. . . . I do intend to finish at Wofford when the war's over. . . . I haven't seen Boyd Hames, '45, or Dewey Bell, '45, around the base lately. They were both awaiting shipment and must be gone by now. Dewey is a navigator and Boyd a bombardier. . . . Major B. W. Rush-ton has gone overseas. . . . You know he always has wanted to go. He used to talk about it at Wofford. . . . Pete, my brother (Pvt. D. L. Wright, '46—Ed.) is in New Guinea. . . .

A/C MARION H. WRIGHT, '44,
Santa Ana, Calif. (May).

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I hope that all goes well back in South Carolina, Spartanburg, and of course Wofford. . . . I've been almost all over this old globe since I left school, and never have found a spot so conducive to meditation as the oak-shaded campus stretching out between Snyder Hall . . . and Carlisle Hall, where I spent two and one-half of the best and most interesting years of my life. . . . I was in North Africa for a couple of months last fall, and gave my bed to Lt. Walter Allen, who was passing through my post, and because of bad weather had to spend the night there. Down in Italy before we went into Anzio . . . I just missed seeing my old room-mate, Lafayette Adams, who is a 1st Lt. in infantry now. . . . In England, I have met Capt. Lathan Mims. . . . Also in North Africa I met Capt. Jack Ulmer (B. R. Ulmer, Jr.—Ed.).

CAPT. J. W. P. GRAHAM,
APO 472, N. Y. (May).