

EDITORIAL:

A lot of water has gone under the G.I. bridges since Vol. 1, No. 1, of the "Crier" was "published July 9, 1943". Your editor thinks it fitting and proper to repeat the apology for the "Crier" and quote from that "first edition". It was an apology for a letter, because it was the means taken "to answer all the fine letters and thoughtful cards sent to him by men who have known what VERITAS means, not only in the classroom, but also in the room opposite the room that used to change signs for daytime and for night classes." He put it in the form of a news sheet to "salve his conscience," since most people hate to get a form letter. -- This is repeated here because the original mailing list has jumped from thirty G.I. names and addresses to about 125. And, may their number increase! on the list.

FACULTY NEWS, requested in the mail:

The G.I. Faculty here is made up of 22 OP's and 9 lay men. Physical Ed: Fr. Begley, Ed Crotty, Sgt. Arthur Dunn Dec '43, Bill Goulding, Dan O'Grady; History: Frs. Bergkamp Hinnebusch, Dan Reilly, English; Geography: Frs. Friel and J.V. Fitzgerald, and Jack M. Moroney; English: Frs. Fennell, McGregor, Dan O'Neill, and Fr. Quinn; Mathematics: Frs. McKenny, Gallagher, Jorn, Hunt, Georges, Hogan, Mr. Flynn and Mr. Hurd; Physics: Frs. Wm. Sullivan, Murtaugh, Halton, Mr. Ray Degraff, Henry Saltzman '43; Chemistry: Frs. Hickey, Whittaker, Hackett, and Mr. Hanley. THE REST OF US are busied with the 130 odd civilian students still around and with odds and ends of outside activity, such as razzing the "Rosie the Riveter" gals and fussing about juvenile delinquency, etc., etc.

CHAPLAINS from P.C. are scattered: Fr. John Ryan is in Australia, APO 7279, San Francisco. Fr. Skehan, U.S. Naval Hosp. Long Beach, Calif. Fr. G.C. Reilly, in the Seattle area, at a Naval training station. Fr. Doyle, just finishing a trick at maneuvers, "Somewhere in Tennessee." Fr. McCarthy, at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, 217th Gen. Hosp.

TRAVEL NOTE - One meets the nicest people on trains for Louisville at Christmas time; for verification see cover of LIFE magazine, Nov. 15, or Redbook, Nov and Dec, or Ladies Home Journal for January. Her husband is Capt. in Army Medical Corps, named Grantham.

OLD HOME WEEK, it was like yesterday when your correspondent was pinch hitting for Fr. Farrell of St. Augustine's, Prov., who is sick with a bad throat. After Mass people came to the sacristy to say hello, such as: Lou Fitz '34, and the Missus, Dr. Hackett '28, and the missus; Dan Geary '39 and Missus; Phil Trainor's (43) mother.

THE WORST OF PUNS can be used to tell of Fr. Schmidt's accident. He finally got a break: leg broken in three places skating yesterday. He is really in bad shape and will be laid up for several months. At St. Joseph's Hosp. We are thinking of building a little dog house in the corridor to take care of Friar Boy III who (or which) refuses to leave his master.

P.C.'s G.I. program was done in a photo-essay arrangement in the Journal-Brown section yesterday - ten pictures and a few lines of type ALSO IN THE NEWS when Bishop Paul Yu-Pin, the Chinese Bishop came to a special convocation to receive a degree from the College.- In the musical world, too, cause Eileen Farrell is giving a Veridame concert come Wednesday night.

BEST STORY in the Christmas mail is about Dr. Fred Burns '29, Lt. Navy who found himself on duty on Christmas day, but with his landlord leaving a whole house for him to use. At the USO he found a couple, Seebec and wife and baby who had expected to sit it out in the reception room. To Dr. Burns' house they were taken and given complete charge and a wonderful christmas - complete with dinner, tree, gifts, hot baths, warm house, use of Doc's car - with gas - and help the day after to find a place of their own. He had been called Scrooge before, but he made the second part of the Dicken's story real. More power to you, Doctor Burns, Alumnus of good old P.C.

ODDS AND ENDS OF WHO'S WHAT AND WHO'S WHERE: Marine Lt. Gerald Flynn Dec. 42, in S. Pacific. -- Kenny Marr reports having seen Marine Lt. Dom DiLuglio '42, in same area. -- PFC Jack Ryder '42, sends card from "Jack, Missus and little Jackie." Joe Mulhern, '43, got his wings recently - pilot of B-24, now at Maxwell Field, Ala. '41

Charlie McGovern/promoted to (jg) Lt at TOQ -NOB, Norfolk. Paul Cavanagh '43, writes from England that he's making posters for Special Service unit at Army School Center. Joe '38, his brother is also "Somewhere in England". They're trying to connect. Tom Casserly '43, at QM Base, APO 181 Los Angeles - maneuver area. Tom writes "Ray Connolly is in England, Bud McGarry, Australia; Frank Smyth in S.W. Pacific, he ran into John Risko out there. Fred Killian somewhere in Africa." The boys are certainly scattered. Ed. John Reynolds '40, was seen in Grand Central Station by our New York representative, Joe Giblin of the Coast Guard. Tells us Jack Affleck 'dec.42, is on the S.S. Elihu Yale, Fleet Post Off, NYC, an ensign. From '43 class:

Johnnie Ferguson got his commission in the Marines; Les Condon, Jim Burke, Louie Siy, et al., got theirs in Navy just before Christmas. John Sormanti '43, still at POE Pittsburg Calif, wife joined him there just waiting - - -

Keep it coming this way, boys, and we'll try to rehash it for your Mail Call. There are several silent helpers on this job, but we all love it. Hope you don't mind getting your mail cluttered up

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