

NEWS BULLETIN FOR WAGNER MEN IN SERVICE

Here's more news about your college-mates and classmates in the service; -- with a few excerpts from letters we've received in the past several weeks. More than 170 men and women (two so far) are now in active service. But, first of all, just a bit of news about the campus.

THE HOME FRONT

Herb Sutter's basketball five won their first game from Webb, -- a walkaway -- and then went down to Stevens and to Clarkson. The last two teams were good, but our lads just blew up for no good reason at all. It's a first - rate team this year, and there'll be better news later on, we're sure.

The government has finally issued its orders for college men. All enlisted army reserves may expect to be called about February 1, except medical and pre-medical students. They will be put on active duty at the end of the present college year. Those in V-1 and V-7 of the Navy will also be called, but will get a better break in the length of time they will be sent back to school. The army nor the navy has not yet selected the colleges it will use for the training of these men. The program at Wagner, therefore, for the next year is very uncertain.

NEWS ABOUT SOME OF THE OLD-TIMERS

Fred Kern, '24, has been commissioned a chaplain and stopped in on his way to Harvard....Andrew Mahler, '25, professor of English at Mary Baldwin College, was inducted recently and is at Camp Livingston, La....Chaplain John Sjaugen, '31, is in Africa. A news report from Casablanca mentioned his name....Walter Bielitz, '31, is now a chaplain.. George Miller, '33, has been commissioned as ensign in the Navy.

1935

That 1935 class is doing well. Joe Cawley, Fightin' Joe, is in Florida, a lieutenant in the amphibian command... Marshal Esterly was commissioned a lieutenant not so long ago...Harry Montgomery is a chaplain....Bob Olwig a sergeant in the medical corps..Bob wrote recently...."The last time I was in Denver in December I got into a rather nasty verbal fight with someone in a basketball dressing room and then found him putting on a sweater on which was emblazoned in green, "Wagner Memorial Lutheran College." To everyone's amazement we walked off arm in arm..Name was Lumpton, I believe; a football player. I think he's overseas now."

Then we had a note from Tot Swartwout.... "Way out here in the land of somewhere...an individual gets thinking of the other fellows he used to know and wondering how they are faring in this little game of ours...I have been in a fast moving outfit...went to the coast...spent some time where Robb made history and now have moved farther out....Have thought a great deal of Dr. Davidheiser and guess it was his talks that lead me to ask for this chemical warfare service."

1936

Charlie Accettola is in the Navy medical corps, a lieutenant... John Burke is commissioned in the army...Bob Boettger joined up a few months ago as a chaplain...Lee Landes is at OCS in Fort Benning Georgia, but took time out to be married to Helen Winters Gjoerloff... Johnnie Striffler Kottemann is also at OCS.

1937

Howard Elstad stopped in for a visit after getting his bars... Bruce Carney is in the medical corps at Camp Butner, N.C...Sgt. Arthur Klein is in charge of entertainment for one of the divisional headquarters at Fort Knox, Ky. ..enjoys it...Charlie Thoms, Lt. in the medical corps, is down South.

Not much news about 1938, most of the news having appeared in THE BULLETIN. Irving Green is now a sergeant...Hugo Mondelli was commissioned about a month ago....Ed Jones (1st Lt.) is at Fort Sill.. Hector Perneti qualified for a cadet in the meteorological section of the army air corps.. "There were four of us selected out of 600, hence I consider myself a pretty lucky guy..I expect to be sent out of here as soon as there is room for me in one of the weather schools..Meanwhile I'm enjoying Florida.."

1939

Phil Luther is in the medical corps down at For Jackson... Johnnie McDermott is a sergeant at Fort Monmouth...Marion Ohr was the first Wagner girl to join the armed forces; WAAC at Des Moines... Henry Raisch is at MIT in the meteorological service; rooms with Irving Jensen, '42. Writing about army life... "It is a life I am seriously thinking of adopting permanently."

A Christmas card came from Lt. Tom Levy; no address...Charles Bentley is a Coast Guard Cadet at Groton, Connecticut.

1940

Anthony DiGuilio is somewhere overseas. Here are a few paragraphs from a recent letter: "It made me feel good to receive the two issues (THE BULLETIN) because it shows that my college hasn't forgotten...You'd be surprised the elated feeling a person gets when he reads a very familiar paper and reads the names of former classmates...Is Ray Miller still at Wagner? How's Austin Anderle doing?"

Ray Miller, by the way, stopped in at the Junior Prom on December 19, with Mrs. Miller, - married on December 18- Ray's in the amphibious force, an ensign in command of one of the landing barges, - in California. Sid Meachem had a few days furlough at Thanksgiving and stopped up at the Hill, a sergeant in the radio division, located at Pine Camp; looked splendid...Pete DiLeo is in aerial photography in Colorado and trying for OCS...Ray Brown is a cadet at NYU meteorological school....Bob White and Hector Quintana are both ensigns in the Navy...Fred Willecke is a Coast Guard Cadet.

1941

Lt. Oscar Bakke's an instructor in bombardiering in Texas.... Stopped in recently for a lively chat. Almost had Noel Dahlander in one of his classes ..Noel was commissioned last week and was married to Grace Parker, '43...Dick Hutton has been given a medical discharge from the navy because of shock...Ken Rogler is a meteorological cadet...Art Smith is now an ensign in the Coast Guard.... Erwin Endress is in Hawaii.

1942

Many of the men of this class were commissioned during the past few months...Ted Gibson, Lt. in meteorology, finishing course at MIT...O.J. Buck, who married Peg Bambach shortly thereafter, commissioned a Lt. in air corps and now in Salt Lake City...Bob Burton an ensign in the Coast Guard...Stan Rycyk, Lt. in signal corps... Tom Franzreb, an ensign USNR, is studying weather at Dartmouth... Harry Husted is a midshipman at Chicago, will finish before New Year.. Wilbur Sterner is at Groton, Connecticut, a Coast Guard Cadet... William Salinger in aviation technical school at Sioux Falls, S.D.... Jim Teahan is in the medical corps.

1943

Irving Jensen at MIT for meteorology training writes:
"Inspections are very rigid...We spend much of our spare time cleaning corners, etc., of dirt which we cannot see but which we know the captain will....Wagner is in a class by itself.. Wagner is a family, and that is the reason why I miss it so much."

Skip Schipani is an aviation cadet at Maxwell Field and had some interesting things to say in a recent letter: "I met Al Novak (1944) in town last Saturday...I never knew he was here although he only lives about two blocks away...I received THE BULLETIN this morning...I was awfully pleased to receive it and to hear that things at home are going along at the same old stand. I hope they continue...I miss a lot of things that I used to do at home. I guess I can put football at the top of the list."

Dick Izard and Harry Ringen are both aviation cadets...Bill Snee has been commissioned a Lt. in the marine corps.

1944

Robert Meyer (Buffalo) is at Fort Monmouth making use of previous experience as an electrician...Edward Denton is a Quartermaster 2/c aboard the U.S.S. Strive...Arnold Lund is a Lt. in the army...Sam Indek has written from overseas; here's part of his letter: "Whenever I think..of those happy moments at Wagner I say to myself 'Those were the good old days'... From Newport to the Great Lakes Station... to the Brooklyn Naval Hospital...Norfolk...California... after two happy weeks running around California, I boarder a ship which took me to my present base; ...not able to tell you the name of island, but can say that it is a French possession in the southwest Pacific..."

Paul Dukeshire is an aviation cadet in Florida...Robert Arne is a naval aviation cadet; he and Dick Izard went together...LaMar Smith is an ensign in the navy.

1945

Herbert Allen is an aviation cadet and married...Gordon Drescher is in the air corps with work connected with the power turret; hopes to get to OCS "I have learned the power of sitting down and finishing a job, no matter what hindrances arrive," he writes...Al Novak is at Maxwell Field, aviation cadet. "The friendships founded at Wagner remain constant" Al wrote, "Of late I have met Private George Fischer who is studying radio at Scott Field and Sergeant Bob Vomacka, a medical technician in Nashville."

Frank Wall is in the Coast Guard, serving as an apprentice pilot...Harold Larsen is an aviation cadet in Florida...Edmund Klare is in a transportation company at Camp Stoneman in California..."My thoughts are often with Wagner and the trying times she will face along with the rest of the world."

In General

We are enclosing a list of the men and women in service. It's as complete as we can make it, although we are certain there will be some in uniform about whom we do not know. Addresses are omitted; the government prefers it that way. If you want any particular address, drop us a line and we'll furnish it, if we can.

Wagner sends its blessings to each one of you. We're with you every inch of the battle. May the new year bring us new strength, renewed courage, and ever new victories.

1922
Chaplain Edmund Bosch, Captain

1924
Chaplain Fred W. Kern

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Andrew J. Mahler

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Chaplain Frank Nickel

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Donald H. Race, PhM. 1/c

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Chaplain Walter Bielitz
Chaplain John E. Sjauken

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Harry F. Gibbs

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Lt. George C. Miller

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Lt. Michael Mazzei
Lt. Michael Rapp
Lt. Wesley Rogler
G unther Voiges

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Lt. Joseph Cawley
Lt. Marshal M. Esterly
Chaplain Harry Montgomery
Sgt. Robert A. Olwig
Lt. James Robb
Robert Swartwout
Henry Trautmann

1936
Lt. Charles Accettola
Lt. John Burke
Sgt. Arthur Friedel
Sgt. Michael Horgen
John Striffler Kottemann
Lt. Daniel Pino
Lt. Paul Toggler
Chaplain Robert Boettger
Cpl. Lee Landes

1937
Lt. Manuel Bergnes
Pvt. Bruce Carney
Lt. Thomas Efstation
Lt. Howard Elstad
Sgt. Arthur Klein
William Meyer
John Ould
Lt. Robert Power
Lt. Charles Thoms
Lt. John Vesce

1938
Cpl. Louis Balmer
Joseph Crecca
Lt. Donald Cohen Carter
Charles DeGroat
Aristide Fieramosca
Sgt. Irving Green
Norman Harris
Lt. LeRoy Holbert
Lt. Edward Jones
Donald Lathrope
Lt. William Little
Lt. Hugo Mondelli
Theodore E. Marston
Pito DiGuilio

1938 (Continued)
Lt. George Mayer
Cadet Hector Perneti
Lt. Albert Schoenbucher
Rocco Zasa

1939
En. George Bain
Charles Bentley
Lt. Oscar Blomquist
Pfc. Franklin Dean
Christian Holmstrup
Cadet Roy Holmstrup
AC Warren Jensen
Lt. Earl Kriby
Philip Luther
Sgt. Carlo Marrese
Sgt. John McDermott
WAAC Marion Ohr
Cadet Henry Raisch
Russel Smith
William Gollnitz
Lt. Thomas Levy

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John Barbes
Lt. Robert Blieden
Donald Borth
Cadet Raymond Brown
Roy Cutter
Carroll Dawson
Sgt. Anthony DiGuilio
Cadet Peter DiLeo
Lt. Edwin Glaser
Lt. Lawrence Knudsen
Sgt. Sydney Meachem
En. Raymond Miller
Cadet J. Clarke Mullin
Helen Maraldo, CGR
John Neher
Allen Pearsall
En Hector Quintana
Cadet Anthony Scala
Lester Trautman
En. Robert White
Fred Willecke

1941
Cadet Ray Brown
Lt. Oscar Bakke
Frank Betancourt
Lt. Noel Dahlander
Alfred Danielson
Erwin Endress
Lt. Willard Grimes
Murray Goldstein
Richard Hutton
Fred Ingebrigtsen
Robert Intemann
Cadet Kenneth Rogler
En. Arthur Smith
Lt. Stanley Smith
Sgt. Robert Vomacka
En. Norman Makinson

1942
Christian Bardes
Lt. O. J. Buck
En. Robert Burton
Pvt. George Fischer
En. Thomas Franzreb
Lt. Theodore Gibson
Lt. Otis Glazebrook
MSMN Harry Hustedt
En. Werner Johnson
Gene Luchesi
Philip Marrassini

1942 (Continued)

John Merikle
William Monge
Robert O'Connor, PhM. 2/c
Michael Perfect
Lt. Arthur Pentz
Lt. Stanley Rycyk
William Salinger
John Spare
Cadet Wilbur Sterner
Earl Thoms
Donald Welton
Cadet William Wiley
James Teahan

1943

Austin Anderle
Mark Carney
Richard DeLeon
Cadet Richard IZard
Cadet Irving Jensen
Randolph Johnson
Cadet Theodore Loos
Howard McCormick
Sam Miller
Cadet Harry Ringen
Robert Schwarz, PhM. 2/c
Lt. William Snee
Raymond Varrone
Cadet Andrew Phillips
Lt. Rudolph Gentsch
George Schipani
William Sephton
Philip Branner
Charles Schmidling

1944

Cadet Robert Arne
Edward Denton, Jr., QM 2/c
Cadet Paul Dukeshire
Norman Heil
Sam Indek, H.A. 1/c
Robert Meyer
Lt. Arnold Lund
Joseph Weidner
Edward Wholihan
Sgt. David Reid
En. Lamar Smith

1945

Herbert Allen
Gordon Drescher
Harold Larsen
Cadet Alfred Novak
Cadet Frank Wall
Cadet John O. Conway
Pvt. Frank Chironna
Morton Perry
Anthony Zinicola

1943
Christian Barber
Lt. O. J. Bock
En. Robert Burton
Pvt. George Fischer
En. Thomas Frumsted
Lt. Theodore Gibson
Lt. Otto Glassbrook
En. Harry Hastedt
En. Warner Johnson
Gene Lushesi
Philip Luzzocini

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