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NEWS OF PHI KAPPA MEN IN UNIFORM AT HOME AND ABROAD

Lt. Col. R. F. Locke Jr., can be reached in care of Allied Force Headquarters, QM Section, APO 512, New York, N.Y.

Pvt. Roy C. Smith Jr. '45, Company F, 800th STR, Camp Crowder, Mo., writes: "After a wonderful 17 days at home last of July and first of August I came out here to Camp Crowder. Have taken a refresher basic course and am now in Central Sig Corps School taking a telephone repeater and carrier systems course. I find it interesting but as most army courses are, it covers too much, too fast, with too little detail.

Instead of writing this little note to let you know, I would like to be back at '311' handing out cigars. I hung my pin the 2nd of July. The girl is Edith Scharff Nutley, N.J., and Bucknell Univ."

Lt. Bill Wright '45, 118 N. Madison, LaGrange, Ill., sends this news:

"The fellows might like to know that Lt Philip Rose '45 was in a serious crash in his P-38. It happened about the middle of August when he was finishing his overseas training. He very skillfully landed his crippled ship in a vacant lot in the heart of a thickly-populated community in California. The plane was completely wrecked and Phil suffered a compound skull fracture.

"As for myself, I'm with the 391st Bomb Group in England. Received the August issue of the Phi Kappa News today and enjoyed reading about all the boys."

Lt. George D. Rumsfeld '26, USNR, formerly at the Receiving Station, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., is now aboard one of our warships in the Pacific.

We just received this note from Lt. Jay Seeley '30, USNR, Det. C, Hq., USAFIME, APO (CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO)

CHAPTER HOUSE IN READINESS TO WELCOME MEMBERS AFTER VICTORY!

How is Alpha Chi Rho at Illinois getting along while we all wait for victory? We know that many men in the armed forces are asking this question, and here's the latest information:

When it was ascertained that Phi Kappa undergraduate chapter personnel would not warrant opening of the house for members during the 1944-'45 school year, arrangements were completed to have a faculty couple and their two children live in the house to see that the premises were kept in good shape. In exchange for this service, the couple are securing their rent free.

In general the house is in good shape. It was left in good condition when the ASTP moved out last spring and the faculty couple are seeing that everything is kept in the best possible order. All of the chapter's furniture has been taken from storage and moved back to the house.

As far as can be learned only one Alpha Chi Rho is in school this fall. He is Howard Wissell, a returned war veteran of Sandwich, Ill.

Of current interest are present U. of I. enrollment figures. Latest reports show that there are a total of 6,025 students now registered, mostly girls. The increase is 19.98 per cent above that of last fall.

While figures are not available, it is believed that there are about four co-eds enrolled to each male student—quite a contrast to pre-war proportions!

Even Illini Hall (the old Union Building) was cleared of Navy V-12 trainees on 24-hour notice and turned into a women's dorm when co-ed enrollment continued to climb shortly before registration.

Ens. Robert S. Holty is now at Hamilton Hall, A-34, Soldier Field Station, Boston, Massachusetts.

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NEWS OF ALUMNI IN SERVICE, CONT...787, New York, N.Y., in the Office of Strategic Services, who writes: "Have been in Cairo, Egypt, for the last 15 months. I have driven more miles in a Jeep and flown more miles in a plane than I care to think of, but after a year and a half in the Navy, I've only been on a ship twice--a ferry crossing the canal at Port Said. I see my old roommate, Roy Wood '30 about once a month and sooner or later I expect to run into Moose Wharfield..missed him while I was in Algiers. My work is interesting and

Lt. Thomas C. McKee '30, O-508999 is with a Engineer Gas Generating Unit, APO 152, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.: "With the use of mobile equipment we manufacture liquid air and bottle pure oxygen, nitrogen and acetylene gases. I was in refrigerations and heating work in civilian life but never dreamed I'd be working with temperatures as low as I do now..."

"Major Wesley A. Gustafson '30 is somewhere in England with a General Hospital Unit, APO 312, c/o Postmaster, NYC."

FIRST CALL OF 1944-'45 FOR PHI KAPPA NEWS SUBSCRIPTIONS!!!!

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This issue of THE PHI KAPPA NEWS is the first of our issues planned for the 1944-'45 school year, and with it comes a plea to the many alumni who so generously supported THE PHI KAPPA NEWS during the past 1943-'44 school year to continue their contributions of \$2 or so in order that our publication may go uninterrupted to the growing number of Phi Kappa alumni who are in the armed forces--with an increasing number overseas!

We'll do our share by keeping THE PHI KAPPA NEWS coming at regular intervals (five issues were sent out during the last school year) but those alumni subscriptions are vitally needed from every member who has contributed so generously previously--and others besides!

A 1944-'45 subscription blank and return envelope are enclosed. Your continued support of THE PHI KAPPA NEWS during 1944-'45 will certainly be appreciated!

constant. I've been promoted twice functionally and once in rank. My greatest desire at present is to return to the States and see my young daughter for the first time."

"Not much news from over here," writes Capt. Dick Buckle '42, O-466648, Squadron Adjutant with a tactical reconnaissance Squadron, APO 696, Care Postmaster, N.Y. "The war is slowing down and it looks like another long, hard winter before the final victory comes in Europe. The weather is greatly hampering operations now. It seems to rain all the time, and in general we have very poor flying weather."

"Our boys do a lot of visual reconnaissance, and some photographic reconnaissance and are a vital cog in the war machinery."

"Have heard from Fred Moore, who is leaving Ft. Benning, and will probably be over knocking out Japs soon. Also heard from Bob Brown who is in the Pacific flying with the Navy. Says he hopes to be home in a few months."

"Bill Hibsich is finishing up his training as a gunner on a B-24 in Ft. Myers, Fla."

Earl F. Fox '44, 513 East 13th Street in Lockport, Ill., sent us his News Blank from Ft. Benning, Ga., where he is in OCS.

Lt. Carroll W. Brown '43 is with Co. A, 385th Regt., Camp McCoy, Wis., and reports that he is being kept plenty busy, but when he wrote in August was looking forward to going overseas soon.

Ens. Carl H. Zanzow '39, 419 S. Greenwood, Kankakee, Ill., reported that he was leaving for duty with the Atlantic Fleet early in September aboard a destroyer escort.

David W. Mathew '36, RT 1/c, Naval Training Station (EE and RM Staff, College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Ark., is an instructor in the school for radio technicians. He was married in February, 1944 to Louise Haselton of Rochelle, Ill.

Capt. Roy C. Nyberg, O-466671, is with Hq. and Hq. Sq., of an Air Depot Group, APO 5553, c/o P.M., San Francisco, Calif. He was formerly with the 56th Air Depot Group, Tucker Field, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Major Robert D. Critton '41, is acting assistant Adjutant General, Ogden Air Service Command, Hill Field, Ogden, Utah. He reports his marriage last November and that of his brother, Jim '37, on Aug. 15th in Italy to an army nurse he had been courting for two years.

Sgt. Harold Stolle '43, 605 Franklin, Litchfield, Ill., is now with a weather squadron in the Pacific area. He completed a course in that work at Chanute Field in Nov., 1942.

George E. Troll '40, a T/Sgt. with a Tank Bn., APO 230, c/o P.M., NYC, is in France. He has a son, Jeffrey Allen, born May 1 in Aurora.

Fresh from CBS, Chuck Logan '33, 309 W. North Street, Morris, Ill., is now in the Marine Corps with, and can be addressed as follows: Lt. Chas. E. Logan (USMCR (AVS) Naval Air Combat Intelligence School, Naval Air Station, Quonset Pt., R.I.

Pfc. Maurice E. Graves '44½ recently completed training in the Parachute School at Fort Benning, Ga., and is now with Battery "B", 677th Gli. F.A. Bn., APO 333, Camp Mackall, N.C.

Lt. Tom Jackson '46 was married in August to Joan Scheib of Urbana. The couple left after the ceremony at the Scheib home for Chicago and from there to San Diego, Calif., where Tom reported to the Marine Air Base.

Lt. Clark F. Palmer '30, 7321 Chappel Ave., Chicago, 49, Ill., reported the good news that he was coming back to the U.S. for a change of duty.

Lt. Comdr. John B. McLaughlin '28 is with a destroyer Escort, Care Fleet Post Office, New York, N.Y. as skipper, and has had the job for almost a year on the North Atlantic. He reports seeing Lt. (j.g.) Ralph Houck.

NEWS FROM PHI KAPPA ALUMNI
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C. W. (Carl) Johnson '30, assistant editor and editorial writer for the Tampa Morning Tribune, Tampa, Fla., writes: "Recently attended an AXP alumni dinner here with six other brothers from various

THANKS FOR PHI KAPPA NEWS SUBSCRIPTIONS!

These alumni are giving THE NEWS a boost through their subscriptions: Lt. Comdr. J.B. McLaughlin '28, Tom Jack '44, Roy S. Lundin '15, Pfc. M.E. Graves '44½, W. L. Broom '22, John W. Bryan '40, Robert D. Critton '41, Lt. (j.g.) R. W. Barnett '40, Charles E. Logan '33, C.N. Owen '16, Byron B. Dressler '37, Jay Trost '37, Carleton W. Johnson '30, G. E. Dickson, Howard Wissel '45, Lee R. Carlson '16, Robert L. Schmidt, Frank R. Schunk '28, Roy N. Green '32, D.W. Mathew '36, Carroll W. Brown '43, Philip A. Flegler, J.H. Morse '31, Don Teeter '26, Earl F. Fox '44, T.C. McKee Jr. '30, E.F. Chritton '20, H.A. (Dec) Webb '23.

chapters, including Roy Green '32 now a photographer with Blakeslee-Klintworth, best in Florida, and Bro. Rouse, one of the two living founders of Alpha Chi Rho, who was celebrating his 78th birthday."

Jay Trost '37 is director of sales promotion department, Anderson, Davis and Platte, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City. He bought a home at 120 Seneca Ave., Tuckahoe, New York, and is looking forward to seeing some of the brethren.

John W. Bryan '40 is now with Parks Aircraft Sales and Service, Curtiss-Parks Airport, Box 88, East St. Louis, Ill.

William L. Broom '22, 201 S. Mulberry St., Effingham, Ill., reports the death of his father on Feb. 12th. He and his mother are running the W.S. Broom and Co., retail furniture. Bro. Broom has a son in the Transportation Corps in England.

Roy S. Lundin '17, 1310 Ashland Ave., Wilmette, Ill., has two sons in the Navy, one a Lt. (j.g.) on duty in the Pacific.

Tom Jack '44, 7443 Linwood, Detroit, 6, Mich., reports his marriage last April 30 to Peg Falk, Decatur. He reports a nice visit with 'Pic' Deno '42.

Sam B. Hanssen '43½, 1623 Chase Ave., Chicago 26, Ill., was honorably discharged from the Army Aug. 25, 1944 because of foot trouble.

Frank R. Schunk '28 reports a new address at 2149 Giddings St., Chicago 25, Ill.