

ILLINOIS

CAPT. CHARLES F. WADE '29 in June was at the Engineer Replacement Training Center, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he is CO of Company C of a battalion commanded by Major William R. Greist, Cornell '37.

LT. COMDR. J. B. McLAUGHLIN '28 has been in command of a destroyer escort of the North Atlantic run.

SGT. HAROLD STOLLE '34 is with a weather squadron in the Pacific area after having completed a course in that work at Chanute Field in November, 1942.

MAJOR ROBERT A. GOPEL '34 wrote from Italy an interesting account of the progress of the Italian campaign as viewed from his command headquarters in a villa situated high on a mountainside.

WILLIAM J. HUNTER '43 is an ensign in the Naval Reserve. He last wrote when he was home on thirty days "survivors' leave." Bill was aboard the destroyer *USS Lansdale* when it was sunk in the Mediterranean on April '20.

PAUL STAVENGER '46 writes that he has been laid up with rheumatic fever. A recent letter states: "Since I got RF in April I have been at five different hospitals. The experience has been an interesting one for me since my condition has been such as to enable me to take in the scenery. I think that I will probably be sent back to some sort of duty from here. This hospital is said to be the largest naval hospital in the country. I am in the section called Balboa Annex located in the former exposition buildings of Balboa Park. It is really one of the most beautiful places I have ever seen and the accommodations are not too bad. All I have to do all day is eat, sleep, sweep some steps, read, write, gab and attend USO shows and movies. It really is the life but I am anxious to get back to duty of some sort. I am not sure I will be able to remain in ROTC but there is a chance."

FREDERICK ISLEMAN '44 has been graduated from the Corpus Christi Naval Training Station as an ensign.