

To the Boys in the Field from the Whitin Machine Works

October 24, 1942

In behalf of the Whitin Machine Works, I am very glad to send you our best regards and greetings from the Home Front. We are right out to back you up in every way we can from Whitinsville.

This machine shop which was formerly making textile machinery is now producing ammunition, magnetos, turbines, torpedo parts, steam engines, pumps, blower sets, generator sets, aeroplane parts, governors, tool parts and assemblies, castings and other work, all necessary and important for our war effort. If you were at home you would be busy. We are not working any forty hours—the shop is working on sixty-hour shifts—and we want you to feel proud of the shop from which you have come and the work that it is doing to back you up in the field.

It has not been an easy job to go off tex-tile machinery and make things which we never built before. We have had to jig up or rig up and reorganize practically all departments of the Shop, and when you come in when you are on furloughs, as we hope you will, you will be amazed at the transformation of a great many of the departments. The men who have been left behind here are giving you loyal and en-thusiastic cooperation in their effort to see that we do our part in supplying the armed forces.

What you would be interested in, in going through the Shop, is to see the large number of ladies who have been taking your places in part at the tools. Our latest records show that 600 men have been released from the Whitin Machine Works to enter the armed forces. Our last figures show that we are employing 516 women in the shop and as we organize better and better for production more and more better for production, more and more women are going to come in. I would not be at all surprised to see one thousand women employed in the Whitin Machine Works within a six months' period. I think you would enjoy seeing the way these women and girls are taking hold of the work. In the first place, they are getting into a uniform which consists of dark blue jumpers and light blue shirts; also they have to wear hairnets on account of moving machinery and we are trying to sell them the idea, instead of using open-toed shoes and delightful-looking sandals, to put on safety shoes with reinforced toes and low heels. I cannot report much progress as yet but the Safety Committee is on their trail.

We are all very much pleased today in hearing that the U.S. Maritime Commission has given us the much coveted Mari-time "M" Pennant, Victory Fleet Flag and Labor Merit Award which they state has been awarded to us in recognition of our outstanding production achievement. You will be interested in knowing to date there has only been a few such awards in

the whole country and we are the second concern to receive it in New England. In closing, I would say that we are in-

terested in each and every one of you who have gone from this Shop. We will be glad to hear from you and hope that you will always feel the Whitin Machine Works is home when you come back on your othe sional furloughs.

With all good wishes, in which each and every one of the employees here in the Whitin Machine Works join me, I remain Yours sincerely,

E. KENT SWIFT, President

Whispers Column

(By Augusta Winchell Lorenz, R.N.)

I am supposed to write a column, but I'm afraid it won't be much like Winchell's, as I don't want to be run out of town on a rail. (I'm not the right size.)

The first item really must be whispered as it is a trifle smelly. Lawrence Keeley has five pigs. The feeding of them was getting to be a problem until Mr. P. B. Walker said Lawrence could have the choice garbage from the new cafeteria if Lawrence and I collected it ourselves.

Lawrence and I collected it ourselves. I have done a great many queer things in my life but to date have never collected garbage. I'm supposed to be a city gal but between pigs and victory gardens I'm becoming quite a country one. Please ex-cuse the "My Day" effect, but I have to get started some way. Sugar to all those ladies who have gone to work in the W.M.W to take the places of all you men. I hope to get some of their names so I can put them in the paper next time.

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Coffee to the Dorothy Shop people. Mr. and Mrs. Pendergast went down to the bus the other morning with coffee and donuts for the boys going off to camps. Swell idea. The Kiwanis Club is going to continue the idea.

Nancy Lees came home for a couple of days and reports she likes her job in

Washington very much. I wonder what the new cafeteria will be like. Somebody told somebody that it's going to be a wow.

The minstrel show, our protectors, the police, are getting up is on its way. Pro-ceeds for overcoats for the auxiliary police

Sh-h! The girls in Northbridge miss you all very much. "Mike" Marker is doing a very good job

at the Gym.

Casey is working Sunday nights at the Shop Hospital besides doing a full week's

work at the Gym. A tire to him. I can't think of anything bad to say about anybody this time, but maybe next time there will be some acting up on somebody's part.

SERVICEMEN FROM NORTHBRIDGE TO RECEIVE "NEWS FROM HOME"

(By Austin Lynch)

Oct. 28.—Every Northbridge boy in the armed services of the U.S. will receive a armed services of the U.S. will receive a copy of NEWS FROM HOME, a small news-paper printed in Whitinsville containing local news of interest to young men. The paper will be sent to the boys at least once a month no matter where they are stationed.

The idea of sending a newspaper to the Northbridge boys has received much acclaim and Lawrence W. Keeler, Editor-in-Chief, has stated that many people have already contributed news items for the paper. He urgently requests such contri-butions and will announce the names of persons to whom news should be given.

Funds to publish the paper will be raised at a Benefit Hallowe'en Dance on Friday, October 30, 1942, at the Whitin Gymnasium. War bonds have been donated to help the cause by the following: Mrs. C. W. Lasell, Mrs. L. M. Keeler, Mrs. S. R. Mason, Mrs. E. K. Swift, Miss Pris-cilla Mason, Miss Elizabeth Lasell, Mr. Henry Bailey.

We deeply appreciate all the help that has been given this committee and are sincerely grateful to those who have given freely of their time and money.

Donations have been received by the Rockdale Women's Club and also the American Legion Auxiliary. These timely gifts are deeply appreciated.

We hear quite frequently from Mr. We hear quite frequently from Mr. William Hoch, who is sorely missed by everyone in town. Mr. Hoch is now in Washington, D. C., in the Quartermaster Corps. Another very familiar figure lost to Whitinsville is Lieut. Commander James Truslow, who is also stationed in Washington.

FIRST ISSUE OF

"NEWS FROM HOME"

LAWRENCE M. KEELER, Editor-in-Chief

We are going to publish this paper not as a business but as a paper you will thor-oughly enjoy. Articles we will write about will be on local news, such as sports, who's going out with whom, hunting, shop news, engagements, marriages, etc. You all will help with this paper if you drop us a line now and then and let us know something about yourselves. Someone in Africa will then know what his pal in Alaska is doing. We ask you to overlook any imperfections in our first issue. We are confident, how-ever, that like all good things, it will improve with age.

Vernon J. Liberty is spending a five-day furlough with his wife at 67 School St., Linwood. On his return he will enter the U. S. Coast Guard Training Station at Avery Point, Groton, Conn.

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"News From Home"

Plummers FRANK KONVENT

Frank Duggan's Diner is operating on new hours. It is opened in the morning at the usual hour but closes evenings at 8:00 P. M. On Sundays the diner closes at 2:00 P. M. for the rest of the day.

Joe Boratyn, former high school star and later at Holy Cross, has enlisted in the Ground Air Corps and will work at signals and communications.

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Harold "Hacker" Wallace has been called by the Naval Air Corps. He was recently rejected by them but was recalled pending an operation on his nose to correct a deviated septum.

The new theme song at Lynch's Drug Store is "Not a Soul Down at the Corner Because Uncle Sam Has Broken Up that Old Gang of Mine."

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We have lost but one resident physician to date and that was Dr. Alfred Blouin. This leaves Rockdale without a physician for the first time in forty years.

Dr. Jimmy Horan, the school dentist, has joined the forces and is a 1st Lieutenant, stationed at Pine Camp, N. Y. His place has been filled by Dr. Arthur Frank-lin Lynch, who will be in charge of the Dental Clinic for the duration.

Sol Fowler, who for many years was head gardener at the Pine Grove Cemetery, has resigned to conduct his own flower shop in Grafton, Mass. Alec Vanderbrug, who has been connected with Arnold Banning for the last ten years, has been named as Mr. Fowler's successor.

The Ahmajian boys are well repre-sented in the Army, ranging from pri-vates to captains. Captain Archver is in the Hawaiian Islands, while Captain Achod is at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. Cadet Azad is at Maxwell Field, and last but not least, Private Harry is studying gunnery in the Air Corps at Lowery Field, Colorado.

Whitinsville is proud of the records that the Blouin brothers have made since they became adopted sons of Uncle Sam. The oldest boy, Francis (Champ) is now a Lt. Commander and is stationed in Washing-ton, D. C. "Champ," as most of you know, is a graduate of Annapolis. The second member of this family to get a commission is Ray, who is a Lieutenant in the Coast Guard. Clarence (Pinto) Blouin is also a Lieutenant, and is a member of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Whitinsville has had many engagements announced during the last few weeks. Bill Smith has presented Gerry Mitchell with a diamond. Bill is awaiting call to serve in the U.S. Coast Guard. Bill and Gerry haven't as yet set a date for the ceremony. Bob Britten, who was recently married to Jean Askenstrom of Uxbridge was inducted into the Army a few weeks ago and is now at Fort Devens waiting for an assignment. Eric (Gumps) Anderson has gone overboard for Jean Spencer. She, too, is sporting a diamond.

The Longmuir boys, Dave and Bill, are members of the U.S.N. Dave is a recent daddy.

Mr. Cleon Hammond of the High School Faculty has been called into service and will go to Washington, D. C. All the single men on the High School roster have been drafted and now the married men are beginning to receive calls.

A SCOOP IS SCOOPED

Although Harry (Scoop Insurance-Telegram) Mulligan is a fast talker, he couldn't talk as fast as the draft board, so he was invited to go to work. He reported at the Core Room at W.M.W. last Thursday, October 22nd.

Doug Carr of Cottage St., a recent groom, is now serving in Uncle Sam's Navy. Doug, who was a very familiar figure about town and a top notch golfer, leaves a wide gap on Church Street.

The Asadoorian boys of 257 Church Street are in the armed forces en masse. Leo is the fourth member of his family to serve in the Army. Sergeant Souren is stationed in the Canal Zone. Corporal Abe is stationed at Camp Dix. Oscar is bunk-ing in the north of Ireland.

Justin Cronin of Pine Street has been accepted by the Army Air Corps and is awaiting call.

The Bloem brothers, Frank and John, are now in the Navy as second class seamen, where they are working as radio men.

George Folcy received his commission as Ensign in the Navy and is now on a ten-day furlough.

The Kiwanis Club is now serving coffee and doughnuts to each service man in-ducted into the Army at the Town Hall before they leave for Camp Devens.

Chuck Rice, or Charlie, as he was known to some, died at St. Vincent's Hospital on Saturday, October 24th. His was a short illness resulting from complications arising from a ruptured appendix. Chuckie will be missed for a long time to come. It was always Chuckie in his capacity as electrician, musician and merry-maker who enlivened all the public gatherings in the town.

Duffer Hayes (young Duffer) has just completed his basic training in the Ma-rines and says that he is fit to fight man or beast.

Harry Asadoorian, the photographer, who once served a three-year hitch for Uncle Sam in Hawaii, is going back into the service any time now. His brother Vuskey is in the Army and was last stationed in South America.

Frank Lightbown, who has risen from the ranks to a Sergeant, has successfully passed the test for Officers Training School and will start the course at once.

The Gonyer boys are partial to no par-ticular branch of the service, so the family is represented in the Army, Navy, and Coast Guard. Frank is in the Coast Guard ord in Stationard in Dechen Schultz and is stationed in Boston. Bob has suc-cessfully passed all exams and is to enter Officers Training School. Dick is in the Navy and is stationed somewhere in the Pacific.

Miss Eleanor C. Nelson to Wed Soldier

Whitinsville.—Miss Eleanor C. Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin W. Nel-son, 41 Cottage Street, and Corp. Woodie T. DeLibero, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salva-tore DeLibero of 18 Moody Street, Ux-bridge, will be married at 8 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Horace G. Robson of the Village Congregational Church will officiate. At-tendants will be Miss Marcia Nelson and

tendants will be Miss Marcia Nelson and Robert Hoisington.

John Chupper Veau is deep in the heart of Texas with the U.S.A. The Chupper finally made the grade at Devens and they kept him after he had made five trips for induction. Chup, as you all remember, won great acclaim as an understudy for Gandhi 'way back in the old minstrel days.

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Along Church Street

How did the World Series suit you? Nearly everyone around Town seemed very well pleased with the results. The following fans from Town took in a few of the games in New York. Earl Wood, Jim and Adam Davidson, Newk Wallace, Gil Hutchinson, Bill Scott, John Connors, Bob English, Billy Walker, Jim and Bob Marshall, Francis Smith, Henry Mathurian and last but not least, our own "Gummy".

Football is now in full swing here. Northbridge High School has a fine fast team and is highly respected throughout the district. They also received very favorable praise in one of the Boston papers recently. Holy Cross has played three games to date, and as you no doubt have heard, lost two of them. Incidentally, there is very little talk in the local papers about them attending or being invited to the Rose Bowl this year.

The Merchants and Shop Bowling League have been started at the Pythian Alleys, while a new league known as the Community Bowling League is formed and is bowling at the new Sparetime Alleys located in the new Muradian block on Church Street.

The fall activities have started at the Gym and there will be several changes in the schedule as well as new events that have not been tried before. Mr. Roscoe Marker, better known as "Mike" to all in Town, is directing the Gym this year. He is planning to have the usual Saturday night dances. The first one was held last Saturday night, October 3rd, and a good time was had by all who attended. So many people have left Town to enter the Service and those that are left are working all kinds of hours, that it remains to be seen just how the crowd responds in the future to the dances.

You are probably wondering about Basketball? It looks very doubtful this year if there will be any. Clark's Indies are broken up, the only ones left of that crowd are Art Kershaw and Norm Light-bown. Fred Tattersall is over in Palestine the last we knew, Frank Lightbown and Eddie Baldwin are in Mississippi or where? With the gas situation as it is there will not be much travelling this winter, so that will make it harder for outside teams to play here. However, if there is enough demand, a league made up of local players may be organized again. It may be so that the High School will not be able to play this winter, and if so, enough players would be available for a good team. A league of high school girls and boys may be formed but as yet, this is still a tentative plan.

Something that has not yet been tried out before at the Gym is a "Mr. and Mrs. Night" which will be in session every Friday evening. There will be a recreational program for married couples on the floor to be followed by a swim in the pool for those who are interested. If there is enough interest shown it is planned to turn the whole building over to the married people Friday nights and have a bridge tourney, Ping Pong tourney, etc. The new cafeteria in the Park across

The new cafeteria in the Park across from the Shop Employment Office is progressing rapidly. The report is that it will serve 1000 meals daily. No doubt this will fill a long felt need for a good place to eat in Town. The fuel oil situation is becoming quite acute, many householders in Town are converting their heating units back to coal, in order to insure their warmth this coming winter.

Two or three nights of frost have colored our trees and you know that whereever you travel you will find no more beautiful trees than right around your own home Town.

The scrap metal drive in Town, Bob Wood, chairman, netted between 60 and 70 tons of scrap, a very good average for a Town of this size.

About 174 men will go to Fort Devens from this District shortly for pre-induction into the Army. This is the largest body of men at one time to get called so far.

More and more cars are going off the road each week owing to the gas and tire shortage. We all should be willing to make this sacrifice as it cannot be compared to the one you "out there" are making.

This week a large flag pole was erected in the center of the lawn in front of the Gym. It is about forty feet high.

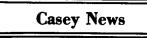
The committee which sponsored the Barn Dance of last year met again this week and have made tentative plans for another dance to be held Oct. 30th. They are planning to have old-fashioned and modern dancing.

TODAY'S SIGN-OFF:

A rich asbestos manufacturer built a fine house just across the street from the residence of a sweet-spirited old lady and his family proceeded to enjoy themselves in what seemed to her a very worldly fashion.

But the old lady was never known to speak ill of anyone even when her neighbors played tennis on Sunday. She only said:

"Dear me, they must have great faith in their asbestos."



(By Thomas Driscoll)

The Mumford Council K. of C. recently had the most impressive installation of officers since its origin many years ago. District Deputy John T. Sheehan of Westboro was in charge of the installation. Assisted by D. D. Finneran of Clinton, D. D. Frank Shaughnessy of Worcester and also by D. D. James Connor of the Natick district. At the present time the local council has 20 members in the armed service with many more coming up for induction. Plans are under way to erect a Roll of Honor in the council chambers.



It is with deep regret that we record the passing of Charles (Chuck) Rice, after a very short illness. We know he will be greatly missed by Barsey and his many friends around town.

Sonny Adams of Silver Rhythm is doing his tuning up these days on the craft at Newport, according to latest reports.

Rockdale News

(By Jerry Gaudette)

Howdy;

To all the boys in the Service from Northbridge, wherever you are, we all sure hope you are well and that the G. I. isn't getting you down.

Things are moving so fast around here that it is really hard to keep track of who is going, gone or about to go. You meet a fellow in civies on the street, turn around to mouch a cigarette from someone in back of you and when you turn back the guy's got on a uniform and is ready to leave for Devens.

It's got so now that all the married men count their children two or three times a day, we call them our little weather strips, cause they're keeping us out of the draft.

There are upwards to 200 lads from this end of the town that have gone, and if it is Uncle Sam's idea to double the quota—well, I guess when he calls, we'll go and do the same as you boys, try and make the best of a situation none of us like.

This writer was caught unawares and did not realize that he was going to write this until the time was so short he was not able to get as much news of the different boys as he would like. However, next month he will try to get the location of where the various boys are stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lavalle received word by cable that their son Charles had arrived at his new destination (unknown to us) safe and sound. Their son Paul has been home on a 10 day leave after completing the 10 week course at Mechanic's school at Ft. Knox, Ky. He returned to his base at Camp Shelby, Miss. The Lorties received word from Homer

The Lorties received word from Homer that he is in Asia. I suppose most of you boys heard about the time Pvt. Lortie came in for chow at Devens and to get a laugh announced himself as "K.P. Lortie reporting". He got his laugh cause the Sarge happened to be coming in behind him and for the next couple weeks Lortie's hands were as red as his face.

Archie Demers sent word to his family that he had reached his new camping grounds but could not tell them where it was.

Former Private William (Chuck) Murphy recently graduated from Officers Candidate School and is now a Second Lieutenant. He says that he now knows why they are called 90 day wonders. According to him it is a wonder that any of them live to complete the course. A very good way to decrease the girth and expand the mind. Believe me though, he makes a damn fine looking soldier in his fancy new uniform. To my knowledge he is the first one from this part of town to have achieved this grade.

We have got a couple of lads that are all set to go into the air force. Dan Noble had joined the Army Air corps and leaves the first part of November while Chic Adams is waiting for his call to leave for the Naval Flying Cadets.

Well boys its time to rush this down to the press—you will hear some more next month.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dalliff of Hopedale (nee Doris Roche of Main Street) are the proud parents of a son, born at Whitinsville Hospital.

Riverdale News

(By Dr. Barclay)

Riverdale sends greetings to all of its boys in the service, and also any girls whom we might have overlooked. (It is not like us to overlook many.)

For the benefit of those who left early, we will give you the list of our Soldiers and Sailors.

Lawrence and Oliver Ashton have both completed their basic training, and spent a furlough with us just recently.

Jimmy Blair's (Sr.) home is well repre-sented on the seas. Jimmy Jr., Earle, and Bob are all three in the Navy, and Mrs. Blair really has to look twice at any one of these boys to know which one it is, for they are remarkably alike in their uniforms.

Ray and Woodie Douville have been allocated to New England posts. Ray is in Boston in the Army, and Woodie is in the Coast Guard, stationed at Portland, Maine, and, incidently, we want Woodie to learn that Portland, Maine, is to the east and north of Worcester, and not in Springfield's direction. It seems that Woodie gets his compass all out of order whenever he visits on Riverdale St.

Riverdale is more or less noted for its multiples. Our next twins are Arthur and Raymond Gauthier. We learn indirectly that Ray has had quite some experiences on the high seas, and Arthur, who came home with his sergeant's stripes last week, is stationed in Tampa.

Now for our real twins-Clarence and Chester Hayward. Clarence is in Fort Bragg, N. C., and we believe that Chester is somewhere in Europe. Henry Wood is at Camp Hill, Virginia, and hopes to be an aviation mechanic.

We wish you boys all the luck in the world, and will be glad to see you whenever you get a chance to pay us a visit. We are going to start right now keeping all the news items that come along, but just at the present time there is a minimum to report. The season is slow, the pheasants are plentiful, for there is no one to hunt them, and the rabbits are well fed from John Ashton's patch. The ducks on the fresh water pond are still called the same things at 6 o'clock in the morning, and for those who were familiar with the regular occurrence in the Kitchen in the mill, she is still doing her bit, and has just recently contributed four more.

Linwood News

(By a Charming Lady)

Lieut, Col. Rowland O. Huddleston who had been stationed at the Army Base in Boston and Fort Banks, Winthrop, was transferred to Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas, where he is ordnance officer of the First Cavalry Division.

P. Oscar Picard who enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1940 has been pro-moted to First Sergeant. Sergt. Picard is now in Miami, Fla., for a three months course at the Air Corps Administration Officers Candidate School.

Sergt. Theodore Vincent and Miss Helen Murin of Farnumsville were married Sept. 6, at Camp Stewart, Ga., where Sergt. Vincent is stationed.

Second Lieut. Donato Vincent after spending a 15-day furlough at his home following his graduation from the Candidate Officers School at Carlisle, Pa., is now stationed at Boston.

Albert Vallee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Vallee of Main street who enlisted in the Navy and was stationed at the Newport Naval Base, has been given a medical discharge and has returned to his home and is awaiting induction in the Army.

Roland J. Dion who has completed his basic training at Newport is in the Amphibious Force stationed at Norfolk Navy Yard, Va.

Harvey Liberty who enlisted in the Navy and is at Newport will be married to Miss Viola Nolet when home on furlough in November.

Albert Couture who has completed his training at Newport will enter Wentworth Institute for a five months course.

Word was received recently of the promotion of T. Arthur Houle of Hartford avenue to Corporal.

Alfred Matte, stationed at Staten Island, N. Y., has been promoted to Sergeant.

Ernest Morrell inducted in the spring is now in England in the Air Corps. Pfc. Roger St. Pierre who was also inducted at about the same time is now also in England.

Three of the Remillard brothers are now in service and Pvt. Raymond is sta-tioned at Fairfield, Ohio. Pvt. Philias at Camp Croft, S. C., and Pfc. George is at Fort McKinley, Me.

Sergt. and Mrs. Leo Peloquin are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter, Leona Rose. Sergt. Peloquin is stationed at Fort Meade, Md. Pvt. Raymond Peloquin is stationed at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Four Pouliot brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Onesime Pouliot of Maple court are serving their country and stationed at: Dona in the Coast Guard at Portland, Me.; Pvt. Alfred at Camp Shelby, Miss.; Pfc. Emory at Hingham and Pvt. Rene of Camp Wheeler, Ga., recently transferred to Westover Field.

Sports Column

(Harold Case, pseudo Bill Cunningham)

This sports column is supposed to be about sport activities at the Gym but as the season has not really begun yet there isn't too much to write about that would interest you. As this is the paper's first attempt (and mine too) please don't be too critical. Wait until things began to cook. When news is scarce concerning the Gym I imagine you would just as soon have the column filled in with county news as well. Probably would anyway. The floor seems quite empty nights

with all you fellows away from here. Bill Ledue, Willie Brosnihan, and Tom Caw-ley are the only "regulars" left who show up every week. And of course they want a basketball. I am trying to talk them into doing some exercising so it won't be so hard for them their first few weeks in the service when they go but I haven't met with much success. They got too lame the first time they tried it. Boy, wait until they get into a pair of GI shoes and take a morning stroll.

The most popular game right now seems to be handball and I expect to start a tournament within a few weeks to determine the singles champ and the doubles champs. Every one is blowing their own horn about what a hot player they are so here's going to be a chance to see who is shooting off their mouth. The only trouble will be to get opponents matched. Some of the fellows are working nights and others are working all day and up to nine at night. May have to have a graveyard shift in the Gym some night to get one or two matches played.

The basketball gang is all gone with very few exceptions so I am thinking about a league made up of players who live in town. Playing games out of town is out for the duration due to transportation difficulties. We ought to be able to round up four teams, may be mostly very young players or very old ones. Could mix them up I suppose.

Probably most of you aren't interested in the swimming end of the Association but there isn't much doing in that line yet. I do not know whether we will run a meet or not. I think that the New England Championship events will be divided up between Worcester, Boston, and Providence and all the events will be run off in three big meets.

For those of you who were ping pong hounds you might like to know that the tables are being used quite a bit right now. The game seems to be hot for a while and then dies out for several. months. The benches that used to run around the wall have been repaired with very solid wood and make the room look a lot more attractive. More comfortable to sit on and also easier to hunt for the ball too.

The high school has been having their usual successful season. The only defeat so far was in the second game at the hands of Newton in Newton by a 2-7 score which wasn't so bad. Newton is a Class "A" school. The results of the games played to date and the games still to be played are listed:

Fairhaven 0-Northbridge 32

- Newton 7-Northbridge 2
- St. Peter's 12-Northbridge 12
- Westboro 0-Northbridge 26 Medway 7-Northbridge 24

Oct 31, Bartlett; Nov. 7, Shrewsbury; Nov. 11, Uxbridge; Nov. 26, Millbury. Jim Cassidy and Bill Leonard have

been the big guns in the team's play, ably assisted by Dagger and Edward H. S. Fournier and Capt. Leon Ovian.

As far as present plans go there will be basketball this year. It may not continue through the entire season but it is hoped that a full schedule will be played. Only the first squad will make the out of town trips.

For the present this about winds up the news. It isn't much but I hope to do better next time with more news. Any suggestions are in order and will be taken into due consideration. After all you are the guys who have to read it so send the letters along and I promise you they won't end up in the wastebasket the day I get them.

Fish Stories

(By Sally Jones)

The Burma Road may be invaded with Japs but it has nothing on Meadow Pond Road. The fishing is so good Worcesterites are coming down in droves.

Birds are plentiful but no ammunition to shoot them with because of existing conditions here at home.

I wonder if anyone will have time for ice fishing this year.

I claim there is a ten pound bass floating around there and if I can get there be-fore old man "Cookie Barnes" does he will be mine.