

had trained for small boats in the states were the toughest of the lot. They had to be and they all came through the thickest of this invasion without a scratch. They have lived for days on K rations. They can take it. In my crews, before they were taken from me May 17, I hadn't had a single offense against any one of them that went into their records. I am proud of that bit of work and they appreciated me, I think. We work with boys in the amphibious force, Doc, and one can really get things done. They have an enthusiasm, a recklessness, a drive that few adults have. They won't give up if they know you are watching. They have taught me a lot of things.

"Keep sending the Rebounds, Doc. I really enjoy them. Publish my regards to all, please, Doc.

Sincerely,

Ralph E. Schaake."

That is a swell letter, Schaake. Such words as yours stand out in bas-relief and show us what the strong young hearts of America are doing. Your letter is a challenge to us all. Good luck, "Shock".

Capt. W. G. "Bill" Wade, APO 559, N. Y., was a freshman at the University, and on account of illness in the family was not permitted to come back his sophomore year. But what a job this boy has done! Bill writes --

"A few changes have taken place since I last wrote to you. The big push for one thing. I was right in the middle of it. I guess we helped the boys out some. I have made my captaincy now and am a wing leader. I lead a wing on "D" day also. Have had quite a bit of success since coming over here. In my last raid, I lead the entire 8th Air Force and I guess I'm going to get the D.F.C. for it. Anyway, it was quite an honor and I was quite flattered when I was chosen.

"I see the G. I. Bill of Rights passed so maybe I will be a student at K.U. again if I'm not too old by the time the war is over. I had my 24th birthday just last month. . . . I hope we get Hitler and his gang routed out soon."

You bet, Bill, the G. I. Bill of Rights, which has been made a law, will enable our Jayhawk Rebounders to rebound in a big way on Mt. Oread, and what a time we will have. Gosh, the bullfests that will take place in the wee small hours of the morning when the veterans of World War II will be talking together. It will be better than any book that a fellow has ever read. And we are looking forward to sitting in on a lot of these. What a thrill you fellows will give us!

In Bill's letter of Marth 20th written on American Red Cross stationery, Bill said, "I never fail to put a big K.U. in block letters on one of the bundles for Hitler and his gang." So Bill is still throwing bundles at Adolf, and Adolf doesn't have to unwrap them. Keep tossing some bundles at that blankety-blank. Bill.

It is wonderful to have women in the war! Gracie Allen is fighting a great war over here, and she is a great strategist. At the big Fifth War Loan Bond drive in Kansas City, Gracie became a strategist. She asked all the housewives to save some extra grease. They have been doing that anyhow, but she wants them to save a little more and she is sending some aviators over Berlin, she said, and she is going to have them drop that grease on the sidewalks of Berlin. She says there will be a lot of sore Heinies over there! So if we had a few more gals like Gracie the war would be over soon. We would have them flat on their backs.