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EDITORIAL

Well, here is another issue of the News. It may be a little late, but it will closely followed by the December issue, which will then bring us up to date.

My plan still is to have a combination correspondence club and a club of the type we used to have holding regular meetings. The boys in the service are all enthusiastic about the plan, but there is a dismal lack of interest here at home. We must have a nucleus here for the Post War PSFS.

This is the second issue of the PSFS News put out during my efforts to get the club re-organized in some form or another. So far, the only ones I have heard of from are those members in the service. What's the matter with the rest of you here at home?

Aren't you interested any more? Why not get in touch and see what we can do? Letters have come from the boys in various camps and from overseas, but those of you right here at home are silent. Are you going to let those boys down? They are all eager to correspond with you--all service men like to get letters. They want to hear all about the things they liked best while they were at home, and science fiction is one of those things. Sure, I know you are busy, working overtime in war plants. But those boys are pretty busy too, you know. They have less time than you do for writing letters. I am busy with a war job too, but I am trying to do something. My hands are pretty well tied up because of the little time I have to spare. And this paper doesn't get published by itself, you know. I am appealing to you for your support of the PSFS.

-- Oswald Train

MADLE A MARRIED MAN!

Our former director, the Hon. Bob Madle, nearly floored us when he informed us that he was coming home on a fifteen day furlough, that he was bringing Miss Billie Lindsey with him, and that they would be married

in Philadelphia. We have met the new Mrs. Madle, and she is a very charming young lady. She is employed in the Communications office at Bob's camp, and since Bob's duties are right there too, all he has to do when he wishes to see her is walk into the next room. Billie can keep an eye on him, too, and see to it that he keeps away from the other girls there.

"I see a few shows occasionally but the good ones are few and far between.

"Have any good stories come out lately in the mags? I haven't seen one for almost two years now.

"Take care of yourself. If any news comes up I'll drop you a line and let you know of it. Give my regard to the fellows.

Best of luck
Tom

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COMPLAINT DEPT.

We have a complaint to make. To FFF. Don't know just who is responsible, but no one likes to have his name misspelled. One name wouldn't have raised a howl, but there were so many. Here are the corrections: Don't let John Baltadonis get near you for spelling his name as "Ballerdonis," for he is about six feet three or more.... Joe Fortier is in Philly-- not "Forten." And who the hell is this guy you call Sydno? Never heard of the bloke. Bill Sykora was the one who visited Train-- spelled with a capital T, pliz. If I knew who dood it, I'd get even by spelling his name wrong.

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AGNEW AT ABERDEEN

Jack Agnew, one of our old standbys, is at present stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. He wanted to go South. Either to get away from the cold weather or to see what the Southern belles are like.

BEN LESSER DRAFTED!

Ben Lesser is the latest of the Psfsers to be called by his Uncle Sammy. He was inducted into the army and left for camp on December 1. He promised to keep us posted as to his whereabouts and doings. Ossie took his phonograph and a stack of records to Ben's home, and they had a swell time. Some of the titles are Bolero, Dance of the Hours, William Tell Overture, Ride of the Valkyries, Toreador Song, Largo Al Factotum, Hungarian Rhapsody and some of the singers were Lawrence Tibbet, Richard Crooks, Allan Jones, Nelson Eddy, the incomparable Caruso. No symphonies or such long pieces were represented because they are too heavy to lug around. You hear them at Ossie's place. Good luck, Ben.

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V-MAIL FROM TOMMY WHITESIDE

"Hello, Ossie! How is everything going for you back there?

"I received your October '43 issue of the PSFS News. I am glad to see that the publications are still being issued. It is good to get news of the fellows.

"Things are pretty dull over here at the moment. We are kept pretty busy, so there does not seem to be much time for anything exciting or interesting to happen.