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Dear Mr. Fredman:

It may please you to know of a new outlet for your book "Brothers in Arms," and which, I believe you will agree, will do most good.

Mr. Norman Trattner, a World War I veteran of high intellect, called my attention to your booklet. Realizing its tremendous value in the field of human relations, I placed it in the hands of York's outstanding humanitarian, Dr. Victoria Lyles, director of our Elementary Schools. Her reply, was a request for 175 copies for class use.

Our local Post, Haym Salomon Post No. 205, J.W.V., immediately supplied the booklets without charge.

This idea, so successfully carried out here in York, thanks to our Jewish veterans, may well be imitated by other Posts.

I feel that the distribution of "Brothers in Arms" should become one of the JWV national objectives. Hitler used the teachers of public schools for his evil plot. Why not engage the services of our teachers in this free country to further the noble cause of unity contained in your booklet, a cause upon which our very security in the U.S.A. depends? I do hope that our example will be followed by every JWV Post.

I shall deem it an honor to keep you posted on any new developments, some of which are in the making in our community.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

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EDITORIAL

WHO WANTS "TOLERANCE"?

Brotherhood month is about as good as any to tackle that so-misused word "tolerance." There's been a lot of talk about "tolerance." Wherever you go—United Nations sessions—labor-management conferences—political gatherings—veterans conventions—all come up with the bright idea that everyone should be more "tolerant" of everyone else. Mainly a lot of bunk! Maybe that's why many good intentions get fouled up. The whole idea and concept of "tolerance" is off the beam.

Who wants to be tolerated? To be tolerated is practically an insult. People want to be accepted on their own merits, not tolerated on the basis of race, creed, nationality or any other distinction. Tolerance is stiff-necked, patronizing, I-might-as-well-put-up-with-you attitude, blocking the give-and-take, the understanding, the mutual appreciation that makes for real friendship.

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BROTHERHOOD . . . Seems to be disagreement as to results from good-will meetings and gatherings. Opponents conclude lack of tangible results because of growth of anti-Semitism. While we do not agree with conclusion, certainly good-will projects can produce no harm and may be doing good. JWV leaders (as evidenced by round-up in another part of this issue) seem to agree . . . If the Unknown Soldier could speak, no doubt he would tell it with a message of faith for Brotherhood week . . . Incidents bear out our contention. Amherst College fraternities have dropped racial and religious discriminations. Let's hope other fraternities copy . . . When Nazis ravaged Rome, they ransacked library of Rome Synagogue. Most manuscripts now restored. The Rabbi had secreted them in a friend's home. The friend was a Roman Catholic priest . . . Louis J. Shudnow, Chicago mfr., invites disabled WW II vets "regardless of race, creed or color" to spend a week with them on their farm—everything free. Say the Shudnows: "This is our way of saying: 'Thank you for a job well done!'"

PERSONAL . . . Col. Mel Krulewich during a JWV good-will tour will no doubt organize posts in New Orleans and Houston . . . Brig. Gen. Maurice Hirsch discharged from U. S. Army, married and back to practicing law in Houston . . . Rabbi Kahn of Houston is Legion Dept. Chaplain . . . Maxwell Cohen and Louis A. Falk home after attending Basle World Zionist Congress . . . Congrats to Charles Alpert, Commander Brookline Post, on appointment as Asst. Corp. Counsel of Boston . . . Also to Louis A. Bloom, Commander Chester, elected to Penna. State Legislature . . . Mort Levy, given credit for helping Carlson prepare "The Plotters," is busy filling speaking engagements . . . National Regional officers urged to contact Albert A. Reich, NVC of Hartford for his regional meeting program. Very good . . . Tina Brill, N. P., Alice Gilman, PNP and about 30 other Aux. members attended Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense. JWV Aux. is only Jewish representative . . . Comrade Alfred Wechsler is State Senator representing Hartford district.

PROJECTS . . . Support Boy Scout drive . . . urge all veterans to register so they can vote . . . Juvenile delinquency growing. Contributing factor is lack of proper recreational facilities. YW & YMCAs, Jewish and Catholic Community centers excellent means of curbing. Some vet posts might afford facilities . . . War on VD. Don't be a prude any longer. 13,000,000 Americans are on VD sick list . . . Increase teachers' salaries, but also make sure colleges and boards of education do not discriminate in choice of teachers. Very few Jewish teachers in American colleges . . . Write your Congressman to support FEPC legislation . . . Georgia's move for a White Primary if successful would disenfranchise a million citizens. What must Europeans and Japs, whom USA is trying to democratize, think of Georgia's democracy? . . . All Americans have respect and affection for the Salvation Army. Help them when they come your way for a donation . . . Pres. Truman's Civil Rights Committee (Charles E. Wilson, Chm., Washington, D. C.) welcome suggestions from organizations on legislation to curb bigotry and intolerance . . . We think well of Dr. Conant's suggestion that we have two-year college courses. Would improve overcrowding and give higher education to thousands of youth unable to spend four years.

THE COVER PICTURE depicts the sinking of the ill-fated SS. Dorchester and the heroic sacrifice of their lives by the four chaplains of different faiths so that four others could escape. Their act is hailed by all as an outstanding example of true brotherhood.

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