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Hi there, corps addicts. Good to see you back again. I'm afraid there is not very much to write about this month, so just hang on. The only thing I can really think of is that the Flamingo-Lancers of Portland and Salem have split. They are now back to two separate corps. The Lancers of Portland recently threw a party for the Fleet Marine Drum and Bugle Corps while they were visiting in Portland. I understand that the girls in the Lancers Guard are writing to members of the Marine Corps. That is, the Marine Drum Corps. I'm also very sorry to report that the future of the Flamingos is not certain. We certainly wish them the very best of Luck.

Congratulations to the Optimists for their 8th straight Canadian Championship. From what I hear, they really deserve it. Also thanks to the Boston Crusaders for the information which they passed along to me.

Word is that the Lancers are planning a guard contest in November. I'll try to find out more about that. I might say that color guards are becoming much more popular in the Northwest. There are at least six guards in Oregon now. I would venture to say that the undisputed best guard in the Northwest is that of the Thunderbirds of Seattle. They certainly proved themselves at Legion Nationals, taking second place. I hear that the Hawks of Portland are planning on improving on their guard which as of now is all boys. They have two good rifle exhibitionists, so they could go places. Speaking of the Hawks, I might add that Chuck "The Bear"

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Waples is going into the Air Force. He has been their lead snare and drum instructor for quite a long time. We wish you LUCK, BEAR.

There's nothing else I can think of to gab about this month, so I'll say so long. See you next month.

The Purple Lancers

The PURPLE LANCERS Jr. Drum and Bugle Corps of Auburn, N.Y. was formed as a Parade Corps in 1960. Sponsored by the Carnicelli-Indelicato American Legion Post 1776, the Corps entered the field of competition in 1961 and has steadily improved its timbre, quality and execution with each succeeding year.

Ranging in age from 12 to 19 years, the 60 member corps placed a highly respectable and solid fifth in the 1965 New York State American Legion Championship at Buffalo in July. The Corps has bettered its position each year in this event, and is determined to continue the tradition. The PURPLE LANCERS are the current Penn-York Circuit Champions, and the N. Y. State 7th District American Legion Champions in both 1964 and 1965.

A dedicated and hardworking Board of Directors is headed by Thomas Aubin, Corps Chairman; Louis Bernardoni, Business Manager; and Nate Morabito, Quartermaster. At the helm on music and drill are: Jack Bullock, horns; Gus Barbaro, drums; and Hardy Carrasas, drill.

The Corps has travelled extensively in New York State, including performances at the World's Fair, and in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Canada. With an expansion program currently in progress The PURPLE LANCERS are looking forward to a highly successful and busy 1966 season.....

