Brooklyn College Leads Victory Farm Corps Units

The Brooklyn College farm labor unit at Morrisville, N. Y., during the Summer was the largest single unit among the Victory Farm Volunteer Corps supervised by the State. This unit also worked the longest period, 11 weeks, and was the only one to combine study with work, according to the preliminary report filed by Prof. Ralph C. Benedict, the director, with Pres. Harry D. Gideonse.

A total of 16,000 bushels of peas and beans was harvested, and this amount was estimated by Lynn Bookout, the U. S. agricultural agent in Madison County, to equal 3,000,000 portions. At the conclusion of the season the insignia of the Victory Farm Volunteer Corps was presented to the Brooklyn College group by Director M. B. Galbreath of the Technical and Agricultural Institute in Morrisville, where the students studied and in the dormitories of which they were housed.

The curriculum offered by regular members of the college teaching included three courses in English, three in mathematics, two in political science, and one in rural sociology, physical education, biology, Geology and first aid.

Walter Smith, mayor of Morrisville, congratulated the students on their work and invited them to return for a third summer, in 1945.