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ADIEU

Announcement of commencement activities serves to herald the fact that the 1933 Summer Session is rapidly nearing its finale.

We might philosophize at length on the possible benefits gained by this year's Summer Session students, but it's our personal opinion that any attempt along this line would be rather trite and uninteresting.

A bouquet to those who will receive degrees on Thursday night. To each the coveted sheepskin represents a good many hours of varied classwork, sometimes dull and uninteresting, other times pleasant and stimulating.

The present editorial and business staff of the Summer Collegian makes its exit with this issue. The staff has attempted at all times to present news of interest to every Summer Session student in as clear and interesting a manner as possible.

Something of the value of the library to the College is indicated by the record book circulation for the month of July. Increased service and a fine understanding of the reading needs of the library's patrons on the part of the library authorities has resulted in a steady increase in circulation during the past two years.

The reduction of fees for part of the caps and gowns to be used Thursday will come as welcome news to those students concerned. That Summer Session authorities took steps to secure a lower fee even after deposits on gowns had been received rather spoils the notion of possible graft.

With the possibility that the three hundred or more prospective freshmen who are taking the College aptitude test in various parts of the State this week may qualify for College work, and a total of 823 already offered admission, prospects for a first-year class of 1,400 seem bright at the present time.

Despite the fact that sentiment both in the borough and among the College students does not countenance their action, borough authorities are continuing their fight against Sunday swimming in State College.

DISHING THE DIRT

Some funny things must have happened at the Socialistic lecture (we forget the speaker's name) last week, what with Dean Chambers stumbling over chairs and such. Of course you can't expect us to vouch for everything that went on.

The speaker, it seems, was prattling quite vociferously, but much in the proverbial manner, about "Youth will save tottering humanity. The young men and women of the world will step forth and pull us out of the dregs of degradation, despair and damnation."

Poor woman, she failed to notice two pairs of very, very red ears in the row directly in front of her. A beautiful shade of red too. For Charlie "Skinny" Myers and Bob Tschan, COLLEGIAN editorial magnates, are really capable of some very fine blushes when under pressure.

Miss C. Sharp, sigmannu's notorious nature dancer, was foraging around in Pennsylvania's backwoods the other Sunday trying to find the one-horse town of Punkin Center or such. Losing her bearings (not those on her petrol wagon) she decided to query a little lad of about six summers who was standing along the side of the road.

"Sonny," she ventured in her very best school-teacher's voice, "what's the name of this place?" "Wall now, there's some at calls this here place Martin's Creek," he drawled.

"Well, my lad just what is the name of the town?"

There was a long pause. Then, slowly, "Sure enuff, I reckon maybe it is Martin's Creek."

A certain group of fraternity gentlemen who live in an apartment house down town are the proud possessors of a sizzling letter of complaint from the good Christian woman who lives one floor nearer the earth and directly beneath them. She objects, it would seem, to the piano playing, "which is just fair," to the "stamping of feet," and to the general party-party attitude of the Greek group.

Scum

The old meanies down at the Glenland Pool wouldn't even offer Chief Yougel a chair when he paid them a visit on Sunday. He was there for about five hours, too... such hospitality... John A. Wood '33, ex-class prexy was in town Saturday... in an interview on the Summer Session gals, John said, "On the one hand, yes, and on the other hand, no..."

PEEPING TOM

APPLICANTS TO TAKE APTITUDE EXAMINATION

High School Graduates Will Take Admission Tests Today

Aptitude tests for high school graduates who desire admission to the College but have not been admitted on certificate will be given in eighteen cities and boroughs of the State at 1 o'clock this afternoon, according to William S. Hoffman, College registrar.

The test is in the nature of a vocabulary identification examination and will last exactly one hour. High schools where the test will be given include Allentown, Altoona, Chambersburg, Greensburg, Smithport, State College, Sunbury, and Williamsport.

Other schools where applicants will be tested are at DuBois, Erie, Harrisburg, Johnstown, Oil City, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Reading, Scranton, and York.

Letter Box

Editor Summer Collegian: Your paper has carried suggestions to the authorities pointing out ways in which they could make things easier and more pleasant for us during the summer. I would like to make one for our own action.

Let's be polite to the speakers who come to address us! At all of the lectures in the auditorium, constant, audible whispering has been carried on while the speaker was talking. In each case also, when opportunity for questions was afforded, members of the audience have left before the final close of the meeting with an unavoidable accompanying clatter.

So that the authorities may not feel slighted let's ask them a favor. Why not keep traffic from the side of the Auditorium while functions are being held? It seems that one policeman at the library corner and another at the rear approach to Old Main could do the trick.

And just for good measure—things should start on time next year. It's too late to correct the situation now. Many students now go to things late because so far the record for late starts has been perfect, they maintain.

SUMMER STUDENT

Speaking Of Books

MYSTERY STORIES

Even summer school students crave some relaxation from study and many find it in detective fiction. Here are some of the better stories of recent publication in that group.

Agatha Christie has written some of the most mystifying of detective stories. Her "Murder of Roger Ackroyd" is famous for the lack of clues until the end of the book.

Dorothy Sayers and Lord Peter Wimsey are also becoming well known to real detective fans. "Murder Must Advertise" is the narrative of a skillful bit of sleuthing in an advertising agency where Lord Peter works under a nom de plume.

Mary Roberts Rinehart has written in several fields but her mysteries are among her best as well as best known. "The Album" which centers around an old family album found in a garret has plenty of horror, good character study and clever deduction.

Ellery Queen is a modern among detective story writers—modern in language and modern in style. In fact, he is so modern that his jargon is frequently annoying. But his yarns are so interesting and lively that he has a large following.

Freeman Willis Crofts has made Inspector French almost as famous as Sherlock Holmes. "Few authors can beat Mr. Crofts in providing an interesting, plausible puzzle without any miracles." S. S. Van Dine credits him with unusual dexterity of plot.

2 WILL ATTEND CONCLAVE

Dr. Chesleigh A. Bonine, head of the department of geology, and Robert R. Rosenkrans, of the same department, attended the International geological congress which opened a week's program in Washington, D. C., last week.

TWO TRANSFORMERS STRUCK DURING ELECTRICAL STORM

Two transformers were struck by lightning during the storm Tuesday noon and will have to be replaced. One of the transformers was located near the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and was the property of the West Penn Power company.

The other transformer, which belonged to the College, was located on the College Farms near the College orchard. Several fuses on the campus were also blown out.

Campus Bulletin

Manuscripts for the September issue of the Old Main Bell, College literary and opinion magazine, should be submitted to William M. Stegmeier, at the Sigma Nu house or at 315, Old Main, before Tuesday.

Kappa Phi Kappa keys are now available for new members of the fraternity and may be secured at Room 23, Education building.

All students receiving their degrees in August are asked to call at the office of Miss Hangen, Room 22, Education building, to receive their provisional college teaching certificate application blanks.

All students who expect to receive their degrees in August 1934, are asked to call at the office of Miss Hangen, Room 22, Education building, and leave their names, in order that their records may be checked before the beginning of the fall term.



2—SHOWS—2 Nightly at 7:00 and 9:00 P. M. Feature Picture Approximately 7:30, 9:30 P. M. Saturday Matinee at 2:15 P. M.

FRIDAY— Jack Holt and Genevieve Tobin in "THE WRECKER"

SATURDAY— Slim Summerville and Zasu Pitts in "HER FIRST-MATE"

MONDAY and TUESDAY— George Arliss in "VOLTAIRE" with Doris Kenyon

WEDNESDAY— Wynno Gibson and Edmund Lowe in "THE BODYGUARD"

THURSDAY— Lionel Barrymore in "THE STRANGER'S RETURN" with Miriam Hopkins, Franchot Tone and Stuart Erwin

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