Speaking of Books . . .

Is nature's secretary, the philoso-

And wily statesmen, which teach how

The sinews of a city's mystic body; Here gathering chronicles; and by

Giddy fantastic poets of each land."

"Cruelty to Words" by Ernest
Weekley

"And here

them stand

to tie

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WAR DECRIED AGAIN

When 100 college presidents presented a petition to President Roosevelt urging immediate anti-war legislation, it was merely another indication of the trend of thought throughout this country. At the same-time, this group submitted an eight-point legislative neace program, including a recommendation for adherence to the World Court and entrance into the League of Na-

It is true that legislation, pacts, and peace treaties have not prevented war in the past, and the hope that they will in the future is slight. One great reason is that when war strikes, it is cleverly aided by the propaganda of financiers and munition manufacturers.

The case is not hopeless, however. When 100 of the leading educators of the country go on record for world peace, the movement may strike deeper than is at first realized. Should the colleges and universities of the country promote an extensive peace program, in due time the influence would be so strong as to command the attention and respect of the whole country.

And it seems that such a program has been carried on in a small way during the past few years. Revelation of some of the gigantic hoaxing which characterized the last military fantasy has produced a noticeable reaction.

Gone is the old fervor which the mere waving of a flag was wont to produce. In its place has come the desire to know the reasons which lie behind military moves of the future. The old appeal of jingoism has definitely passed. It will have to be a justified war-if there is such a thing-before the thinking youth will have more than a derisive laugh to offer.

THE CURRENT NUMBER of La Vie presents one the best class records that has been published. Its style, typography, and contents represent adequately an attempt to give as a permanent record an otherwise rather weighty batch of material in an interesting

THE PROPOSED PLAN through which students will be allowed to include swimming in their physical education curricula is a move for which the student body has waited a long time. With the facilities that are available, such a plan should prove highly satis-

AN INNOVATION THAT has proved extremely popular this year has been the panel discussions by members of the faculty. There has been expressed a desire for more opportunity for education of the truer type-not the boring classroom but real glimpses into knowledge. No better way can be given than through such discussions. Every effort should be made to continue them next year.

IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED that some arrangement be made in order that the Carnegie library be kept open later than 10 o'clock at night during the last two hectic weeks before a semester closes. It is no secret that a majority of term papers and reports are prepared at that time.

There is a distinct advantage, whereby, under the present system, a great many reference books are not allowed to be taken from the library. This insures library hours were only longer. An added two hours each evening should do much to relieve the congestion as the school year draws to a close.

AS THE WOMEN COMPLETE another election campaign, the question of changing the present system of determining class officers again comes up. At present, there are no organized cliques recognized among the women, but there is little question that they exist. However, it is not the paramount question whether or not a more efficient clique system should be put into

The thing that is questionable is the practicability of women's class offices. Their functions have been reduced to an almost negligible quantity. The suggestion has been made-and rather coldly received-that the W. S. G. A. take over all these executive duties. Of course, dubious campus honors would be reduced, but a more efficient organization could be welded, and useless, empty offices would go.

OLD MANIA

PARABLE

There was once a country called College, ruled by a mythical figure, one Prexie. It was a Progressive College, with a Progressive Newspaper. The paper had a Progressive Editor, who observed conditions, considered things, and wrote editorials giving progressive suggestions.

We have told you that the College was ruled by one mythical Prexic. He, however, was only a Figure-head. The ruler of the College was one George the Ebert. The Ebert was a real Mogul. Before him professors in the College trembled. His slightest wish sent giant trucks rumbling up sidewalks; his whim made New Jersey trees find themselves new homes in the middle of the Ebert country. He read the editor-

The boy editor once observed that at the Main Gateway between the territory of the Ebert, and that of the ruler of the adjoining country, called Blights-All land, was a 4 foot strip of barren ground, a tract that was no-man's land. He suggested that it be transformed with a mere eight feet of concrete, into a habitable spot, a veritable roller-skater's parade. The Ebert looked. The boy editor was right. The Bogul moved, got his men in action.

The Men didn't do things by halves. They laid waste to hundreds of miles of territory on the College side of the boundary. They build immense temporary walls. The thousands of residents of the College went out of their way, took to dangerous quagmire bypaths to avoid the barriers.

Then the Mogul moved again. He saw that much of the old highway had been lifted laboriously and transplanted to a pile near the Armory. He looked on the work of his trucks and his men and found it good. He set them to work again.

'hey fumbled back to the Progressive Paper, saw that it suggested Concrete, and started in. For miles on either side of the main gateway to the College they poured concrete. Farms were laid waste, forests trampled under the downpour of cement. Finally the laboring was done. To all sides, students in the College could see nothing but endless concrete. The Ebert was almost happy. He called back his men

Then he sat down on his Grounds and Buildings Dept. throne to wait. Pretty soon the Progressive Editor would make a suggestion as to the disposal of all the old territory he had moved up and piled by the Armory. Then everything would be all right.

Second Story Man

Prof. Dickson threw a bluebook this afternoon A lot of people had to take it and among them was Jimmy Dugan, who draws funny pictures for Froth. Last night he wanted to study for it, but he couldn't find his book. He looked all over his room, under

chairs, in his laundry case, everywhere. But no book.

Then he remembered. He'd lent the thing to Jimmy Norris, Thespian of note, back in history osometime, and the Norris still had it. Norris was out of town, and that was a problem. Dugan really wanted the book, so 2:30 A. M. found him listening at door on the third floor of Norris's rooming house. "No alarm clocks should be ticking in the room of a mug what is out of town," the artist reasoned. But tick-

Dugey crawled back downstairs and listened at more doors. More tickings. Then, "WHO IS IT?", and as the prowler mumbled, "only me" and started downstairs, "STOP THIEF," in a high pitched feminine growl. Dugan stopped, explained. He explained for thirty-five minutes. "S'a for a book. S'my book. Norris has the book and he's out of town and I go to college here and I have a bluebook and jeez lady, I only want to get the book and I'll get out of here."

The lady escorted Dugan to the Norris room and he finally got the book. But she's going to tell Jimmy. he doesn't approve of people coming after art literature at 3 o'clock in the morning.

About Town and Campus: Prof. Sam Wyand opens- up and describes himself as a "philosophical anarchist"... King Kong Cole takes the sun on the Fiddle de Theta lawn—attired in a perfectly ducky red, white and black striped bathrobe job ... No! we don't like the restrict the artificial. don't like the new test-tube sterilized sanitary laboratory coffee that the Corner is serving—there's no romance in urn-less coffee, Mr. Mateer . . . hyah, Bob, how's N. H. . . . a very Tan Knoth was back . . . Jack Dienna plus Peggy Brown equals Romance . .

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'Feathered Friends' Studied, Identified

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them and study their habits.

These naturalists are listing their "finds" on a chart in the Education building which gives the names of all the birds that have been observed in this locality since February 10. At the present time about ninety birds are on the chart and only the most pursual specimens are listed. inusual specimens are listed.

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Since the dam below town was built, several water birds have been seen here for the first time. Some of these are the Bonaparte guil, the Horned grebe, the canvasback, the pintail, and the Greater scaup. A few of the rarer large birds are the Great-Horned owl, the marsh have, the Sharn-Skinged have and rawk, the Sharp-Skinned hawk, and hawk, the Sharp-Skinned nawk, and the Wilson snipe. Unusual small birds which have been identified are the Fox sparrow, the Savannah spar-row, the Blue-Headed vireo, the Black-Polled warbler, the Cape May warbler, and the Crested flycatcher.

10 Years Ago . . .

The radio station broadcast "H M. S. Pinafore"—"the most ambition isical feature ever attempted from

Co-eds carried umbrellas and rib oons during spirit week.

The Senate Welfare committee had much confidence in the ability of fraternities to conduct an orderly houseparty that they restored its original five-day duration.

Surveyors, began work on locating site for the Andy Lytle cabin.

Sophomores lost the pants scrap

Prospective students were sent twenty-eight page pamphlet by the School of Agriculture describing the Penn State Campus.

The call letters of Penn State's radio station were WPAB.

Freshmen held their Annual Pov-

The rooms on the upper floors of Old Main were deemed unsafe and unsunitary for dermitories by the

Dr. Fred L. Pattee returned to the campus to resume his duties as head of the department of English.

On Other Campuses

Members of the faculty of Wash-ington University, St. Louis, Mo., have offered to contribute their services to the university for the summer session to avoid all further salary

One group of 102 Haverford Colege students has sent to President Roosevelt and Senator David A. Reed

The Board of Trustees has voted to lift the ban, which has been in existence for nearly 100 years, on dances and bridge parties at Muskingum Col-

A proposal has been made at the University of Minnesota to allow a two day study interval before final

At Purdue University an extensive program for improvement in the use of the English language among upperclassmen is being taken seriously.

All written work of upperclassmen, especially juniors, is sent to a committee to be graded.

With the whole world for a campus, the Floating University will set sail October 4 for the 1934-35 college year on a 225-day world cruise. Sixty ports in thirty-four-countries will be visited by the students. Standard courses of university and preparatory grade will be conducted on shipboard. The ship will be equipped with a gymnasium and swimming pool, and contests in various sports will be scheduled with college teams of Hawaii. China, Japan, and other countries visited. the Floating University will set sail

Seventy freshmen in the College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State Uni-versity made a cumulative point av-erage of 3.33 or better out of a possi-ble 4 points for the autumn and winter quarters.

The women's affairs committee at the University of Wisconsin recently sponsored its first annual style show. Through skits, models, and style comments, what the well-dressed college roman should wear was illustrated.

Elections

(Professional Dramatic Society)

Hugh L. Bowman '34 W. Ernest Brown '34 John E. Ryan '34 Claude E. Shappelle '34 Ralph B. Vance '34 Thomas M. Wood jr. '34 James V. Baker '35 Joseph A. Benner '35 William B Edwards '35 S. Bruce Gilliard '35
Philip O. Grant '35
Arthur C. Harper '35
Charles W. McDermott '35 Daniel E. Nesbit '35 M. Scott Robinson '35 Michael Zeleznock '3! Vernon D. Cronister '36 Harry B. Henderson jr. '36 C. Lamar Hollar '36 R. Lee Homsher '36 Daniel G. Jones '36 Charles B. Kelser '36 Robent B. Kelser '36 Jay T. Lodzsun '36 William M. Scott '36

(Physical Education Honorary) Wilbur E Brown '34 John P. Civitts '35 Michael Zeleznock '35 Joseph T. Buczkowski '36 Andrew T. Leldy '36 Richard G. Waite '36 Howard A. Downey '37 Frank A. Ketcham '37 William M. Radeliffe '37 Leroy M. Sunday '37

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LOUISE HOMER CLUB Janet S. Cohen '34 Leonore Morgan '36 Mildred F. Nieman '36 Dorothen E. Ruth '36 Anna C. Strong '35 E. Virginia Wevill '30

PURPLE OULL (Literary Guild) John N. Rathmell '34 John W. Keeger '35 Walter W. Wiezevich '35 Marion G. Blankenship Alec S. Morrison '36

Robert A. Willgo Sam Wolfson '36

Alma J. Shenk '37 was elected pres Alma J. Shenk '37 was elected president of Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman woman's scholastic honorary, at a meeting recently.

Other officers for the coming year are Elva A. Karwois '37, vice-president; J. Louise Davey '37, secretary, and Floragare 1. Stewart '37, respurer.

and Eleanor L. Stewart '37, tressurer.

WARFARE CONFERENCE CALLED Dr. Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics, will attend a meeting of the research advisory committee for the chemical warfare service of the United States army, at Edgewood Arsenal, Mary-land, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

New Library - -

A library building must express art and culture in the college community as well as utility. Its interior must be attractive and inviting as well as efficient. One such expression shall be a recreational reading room or so-called browsing room where there will be comfortable furniture, good networks on the walkerty Day parades in which they all appeared in the most ragged costumes which they could resurrect. erature and the arts in attractive editions on the shelves, and a wellplanned fireplace and restful atmos

A sympathetic helpful assistant in charge can do much to make real and effective this informal type of education. Here may be held fireside readings from English and foreign literatures in translation. Here may be given book chats and talks and quiet conferences—it may become the heart of the library.

LABORATORY UNITS INSTALLED Three manufacturers have donated units of their products to the mech anical engineering laboratory to be used by students in studying house-hold mechanical equipment. A cast iron boiler, an automatic control for the boiler, and a refrigerating uni

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ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA NAMES | DEDRICK TO ATTEND MEETING OF MILLERS IN TORONTO, CAN

> Prof. Benjamin W. Dedrick, asistant professor of milling engineer ing, expects to attend the convention of the "Association of Operative Millers," in Toronto, Canada, on June 5. Representative millers will come from the United States, Mexico, and

> Professor Dedrick, incidently, was the first president of this organization and is the only person to bear the number one membership card. He has been called by his colleagues, "number one," and "the father of the association." association."

ARCHOUSAL ELECTS OFFICERS Margaret W. Kinsloe '35 was choser resident of Archousal, senior women' activities honorary recently. Claire M. Lichty '35 was elected vice presient and Nancy W. Stahlman '35 chosen secretary Marian L. Forema

DUNAWAY '37 HEADS CWENS M. May Dunaway '37 was elected president of Cwens, sophomore wom en's honorary, at a meeting Thursday night: The other officers are: Jean B. Northrup '37, vice-president; Jean C. Kreibel, '37, secretary; and Emma Jane Foster, '37, treasurer.

Occasionally even the great and the near great in history and liter-ature violate the king's English. Sometimes it is more the right word in the wrong place. And now they make interesting reading. "Twentieth Century Music" by

Marion Bauer Some of us perhaps are more conservative in our musical tastes than in anything else. Here is an explanation and guide that is both sympathetic and helpful to impressionism, new chords, tone combina-tions, the new musical terms and examples from Debussy, Stravinsky, Strauss, Gruenberg and others.

"The Mongols of Manchuria" by

Repeated journeys and intimate ontacts with Central and Eastern Asia have made Mr. Lattimore not only an authority but also an interesting interpreter of Tibet and Tur-kistan as well as Manchuria and as well as Manchuria and Mongolia.

"Colonel Lawrence, the Man Behind

the Legend" by Liddell Hart Air craftsman Shaw has translatlated the Odyssey, has been archae-ological explorer in the Near East but his greatest claim to fame is as the writer of "The Seven Pillars of Wisdom" and as Colonel Lawrence of

Arabia. "Merchants of Death" by H. C. Engel-brecht and F. C. Hanighen The great munitions manufactur-

ers are internationalists who are opposed to peace. Their profits are blood-money with a vengeance. But perhaps they are a result rather than a cause of war.

The Horizon of Experience" by C.

Delisle Burns
It is not easy to build a personal philosophy that will be sufficient in these days. In this book perhaps one may find some new values which will be helpful in confronting new facts.

"Art as Experience" by John Dewey A philosophical study of aesthetic values in architecture, sculpture, painting, music, and literature as they relate to everyday life. The necessity for art in practical affairs.

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