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WHAT GOES ON?

Recently an army officer was heckled into ignominy when he attempted to speak to a group of high school students on militarism - - - Another strike against war is being planned by the National Student League - - - A huge appropriation has been set aside by the national government for the establishment of more R. O. T. C. centers - - - Munitions manufacturers meet in conferences - - - In Louisiana a shouting senator offers luxury for all - - - A greatly augmented (by increased unemployment) proletariat seeks to concentrate itself against capitalism - - - A reformed and renamed government seeks to keep its head above the economic waters - - - There are plans banded about - - - Planned Economy - - - Socialism - - - Fascism Share The Wealth - - - There are names banded about, too - - - Marx - - - Trotsky - - - Strachey. There was an attempt to rub that last name out, so to speak. - - - School teachers have been asked to sign statements averring that they will not mention certain things in the classroom - - - There are conflicting articles about conditions in Italy, Germany, and Russia - - - A Mr. Hearst, who owns a flock of newspapers, wages a furious baiting campaign against what he likes to call 'The Red Menace' - - - A paper called 'The Daily Worker,' boasting a constantly increasing circulation, works out daily on Mr. Hearst - - -

And so it goes. The student, caught in a welter of terms, dully asks himself what goes on, endeavors in a mild way to find out, discovers that the average course offers no answer to the hodge podge, and decides, along with about three thousand other people, that, after all, the borough is a nicely isolated place free from any major economic turmoil, so why worry?

The student organizations about the College gaily go on holding tasty little Fireside Sessions, C. A. discussions, etc., where nicely irrelevant problems like God In A Christian Community, Sexual Relations Among College Students, How To Get The Most Out of Study, What Your Personality Means To You, and other once timely topics are languidly rehearsed.

Isn't it about time that some move is made on the part of either student or faculty organizations to supply some open forums, led by informed persons, on some of the economic and social problems which stump the student constantly and are constantly skipped in the classroom? It is true that there have been a few feeble efforts made in this direction, but for the most part, the faculty seems satisfied to smugly admit that the average student is a fog-brain, carp sarcastically about this fact once in a while, and consistently do nothing to alleviate the condition. Surely, the student has the right to put his previous question to them: What goes on?

ONE FUNCTION HAS developed beyond most expectations in Old Main. That is the use that is given the recreational facilities of the Student Union lounge on the third floor of the building. It has become an excellent meeting place for many who have no other opportunities for recreation.

CLOCK WATCHERS

From one of the more liberal and popular professors on the campus comes the complaint that there is undue noise as a class hour comes to a close. He decries the habit of shuffling of feet, rustling of paper, clicking of note books, donning of coats, and not-too-sly glancing at wrist watches.

Naturally, there are two sides to the question. Far too many professors are reluctant to dismiss their classes promptly. With the campus size that it is, ten minutes is not too much time for getting from one building to another. When one has an instructor in one class who talks late and long, and one in the next class who insists on promptness, the student cannot be blamed for his impatience.

On the other hand, strange as it may seem, certain instructors are wrapped up in their subject, and the passing of time means nothing to them. Could these enthusiastic individuals realize that the universe is not theirs alone, and keep the time element in their minds, a lot of the current uneasiness might be eliminated.

Common courtesy demands that students refrain from such demonstrations of approval at least until the hour comes to a close. Then is the time to squirm and otherwise signify to the instructor that the time has expired. The time until then is his.

-L. M. C.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

TRIUMPH

The Salvation Army lassies scored a real triumph at the I. F. C. meeting Wednesday night. Armed with nothing more than tambourines and bad colds, the two brave crusaders, Captains Mason and Wilson, strode boldly into the meeting of the pagan popes, who reign over our local eateries, and opened verbal fire at close range. Captain Mason neatly explained that in response to their previous request for aid from the fraternities there had been a net response of only \$2.50. (She paused at this point to commend the Tau Phi Deltas.) Surely, she pointed out, it would be very little trouble for all the boys in each house to stop smoking for a week, only a week, and contribute the five dollars saved in this way to the Salvation Army. There was some subdued guffawing at this point, but she went bravely on. She was going to put the matter up to each president individually and, as a reward, Captain Wilson would sing for them after the pledging.

It was a smart move. We suspect that Captain Mason must have been a politician at one time. All the popes pledged the five.

When it came time for the song there was a little wrangle about accompaniment and Joe Dentice's offer to whistle was turned down. Captain Wilson sang 'Jesus, Save Us' a capella.

The remainder of Captain Mason's time was spent vainly trying to discover who had given her the write-up in the last issue of this paper. All we have to say is that she owes me and the Maniac five apiece for the publicity.

NOTE

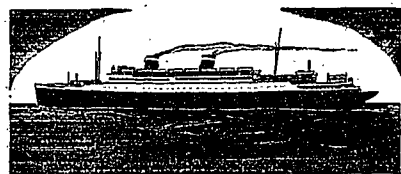
Returning to her car, which she had parked in the area back of the Bull Pen, Peg Judy, co-ed commuter, found a little missive which some individual had tossed into her auto. It read: "Do you want to park in the middle of the road? Please give the other guy room to get by. You're not in the country when you park here!"

OUR OWN PENN STATE IN THE NEWS

Ex-Chief of Campus Police Zarger was hauled into custody the other day in Philly and cooled his heels for a spell in the 38th precinct hoosegow on account of how he lammed out of Lewistown with a car that wasn't quite paid for.

That just goes to show the pitfalls that await us after we get out of this place.

PIN POINTS—Jo Case and Jackie Biddle of the Musser Club are waging real war over a lad at the Associated Commons Club named Dannie Maffie. . . they put on swell window shows each night for his benefit. . . Bill Skirble shakes down Eunice Robinson and Estelle Barg for fifty cents to get a haircut. . . we never get our hair cut at the Rathskeller. . . Mary (Urse) (Red) Weber has been asked to lead the anti-war strike parade by comrades Katz and Lurie. . . What's become of the Ted Baer-Briggs Pruitt team? . . . Prof. Stevens puts the class in a quandry with his true and false question: I love my teacher. . . he deducted four points if you didn't answer it. . . and claimed after it was all over that the most gun-shy were Betas, who just couldn't take it. . . Someday there will be a May Queen chosen who is actually good to look at. . . but we won't be around then. . . and if this isn't long enough, you mugs, think of something. . . See you at Publications Dance tomorrow night. . .



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Among The Greeks

Alpha Chi Rho: Four men were initiated Sunday.

Alpha Sigma Phi: House elections—William A. Rodgers '36, president; John M. Patton '36, vice president; Raymond A. Byrne '37, secretary; Harold Q. Whisler '37, treasurer-caterer; and Albert L. Bachor '37, Interfraternity Council delegate.

Beta Sigma Rho: Installation of new officers and a banquet will be held Sunday afternoon.

Phi Delta Theta: Howard L. Stuart, an alumnus, and five active members attended Founders' Day banquet in Harrisburg last Tuesday.

Phi Sigma Delta: House elections—Charles M. Schwartz Jr. '36, president; George J. May '37, vice president; Irwin Roth '37, treasurer; Russell A. Golumb '38, secretary; Herbert S. Cohen '38, historian; Leo Knopf '36, caterer; and Philip A. Schwartz '37, Interfraternity Council delegate.

Sigma Phi Epsilon: Recently installed officers—Robert C. Carson '36, president; Harry B. Frazer '36, vice-president.

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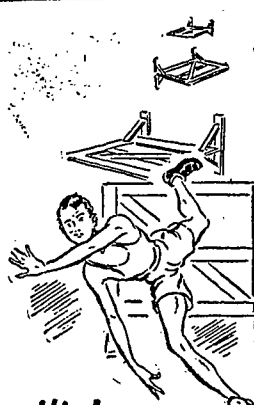
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Traveling Secretary To Give 3 Talks Here

Ann Graybill, travelling secretary for the Student Christian Movement, will visit the campus Monday and Tuesday to give a series of talks before various P. S. C. A. groups. Miss Graybill, a graduate of Bucknell in 1932, will speak to the freshman executive committee in the Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, at 4 o'clock, in the first meeting of the series.

On Tuesday at 4 o'clock, she will meet with the executive committee of the P. S. C. A. cabinet, and at 7 o'clock she will address the regular meeting of the Freshman Forum. Both of these meetings will be held in the Hugh Beaver Room.

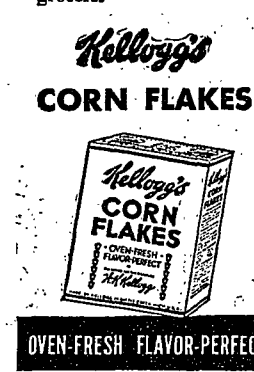
The Freshman Commission will hold its regular meeting in Room 302, Old Main, at 7 o'clock Tuesday night, for the purpose of nominating and electing a president and a secretary. At the conclusion of the two freshman meetings, the groups will convene and conduct a trip to the telescope on top of Buckhout laboratory, where they will be assisted by Prof. Henry L. Yeagley, of the department of physics, who constructed the telescope.



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