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MAY DAY

Tomorrow will again find workers' organizations all over the world holding parades and demonstrations glorifying the cause of the worker. Yearly these parades have become larger and larger and more demonstrative despite the attempts of the capitalists to divert the workers from their original purpose.

Too few students realize what these annual demonstrations commemorate. Because of the Hearst and other capitalistic papers, they have been led to believe that these demonstrations are held in memory of some Russian revolutionary martyr. They are also led to believe that these demonstrations amount to minor revolutions which are, of course, led by Communists imported from Russia by the Daily Worker, the New Masses, and the New Theatre.

Not enough of them know that the May Day demonstrations in this country are held in commemoration of the peaceful strike of 80,000 Chicago workers on May 1, 1886 for an eight-hour day; and also in commemoration of the death of six workers who were murdered by police while picketing the plant of the McCormick-Harvester company several days before May 1, and of those hung several days later.

Since that date May Day demonstrations have become larger and larger and have spread to every nation in the world as a salute to the workers all over the world to American workers. The capitalists have tried everything in their power to put an end to these celebrations, to divert them into other channels by trying to establish all sorts of useless national holidays on the same date.

Germany's Minister of Propaganda Goebbels has announced that in this year's celebration that country will not be devoted to the glorification of labor but rather to a smashing national demonstration of gratitude to Adolf Hitler for his re-introduction of conscription and a glorification of the army. This is a typical attempt of the capitalist to divert the workers from their original purpose.

May Day demonstrations would undoubtedly be better controlled and fewer heads would be broken if the workers, who certainly have a right to such a demonstration, are allowed to parade without first having to fight every reactionary and reactionary group to get a parade permit and then having to march with a police guard for every man in the parade.

IT IS INTERESTING to watch the results of the "whispering campaign" conducted by several of the town's big business men and "People Who Think." They would hang, tar and feather, and boil in oil, the students who organized the recent anti-war strike. We understand that one of them was almost injured on Holmes field during the Great War.

HIGHEST COMMENDATION SHOULD go Profs. Donald S. Cryder, Harold C. Urey, Merrell R. Fenske and their colleagues, of the School of Chemistry and Physics, for their most recent contribution to science and the College in reducing the cost of producing heavy water and in developing a new method of distilling it.

WARM WEATHER BRINGS the same old complaints about the lack of sufficient tennis courts and the students who are selfish enough and ignorant enough to use the few courts there, are when they are wet.

OLD MANIA

Assurance

For a long time now we've been going around worrying. Not too seriously, you must understand, but nevertheless with a sort of snickering delight that everything in this country wasn't going as well as it might be. We kept hearing things about wars, peace conferences, steel strikes, Communists, gigantic governmental loans, and such stuff, and it bothered us very nicely. But no more. Now we find out that everything's all right, and we can't be patriotically bothered about the fate of the country any more.

Our old pal, Franklin Delano Banner, local pressman, was down to Washington a while ago for the Press Conference, no less. It is he that has destroyed our fears. For the local Rotary speaker reports that all is well. He went down there, he did, and he looked things over. Then he came back, and it's just like he told one of his pals the other night: "Yes, sir, old man," Mr. Banner enunciated at that time, "this N.R.A. has revolutionized Washington. Everything there is moving. The capital city is a veritable beehive of industry."

So you see, everything must be o.k. in the country. We have Mr. Banner's word for it. And now we've got to look for something new to worry about.

Formality

A couple of gentlemen named Thurman Chain Tejan and Richard Aiken Sigel were down to the city over the week-end, and they had quite a time of it. Saturday night, complete with a girl apiece, they drifted momentarily into the Hotel Walton bar, having the general notion that it might be nice to absorb a drink before wandering on towards a bigger and better Philadelphia Saturday night. So they had a couple of drinks, and then called for the bill. It came, and Tejan glanced at it casually. Then he stared, and his hair turned gradually gray while he looked. There, firm, unflinching, was the figure—\$4.00.

The boys had a conference. It developed early in the meeting that they didn't have nearly the required amount. They called the manager. He was nice. "You boys just wash your own dishes and we'll call it square—we don't want to embarrass you too much. It's just a formality, you know."

To the kitchen the lads trudged. They doffed their coats deftly—one gent washed, the other wiped; outside their dates waited patiently. Pretty soon the local gentry were through. They put their coats on, and casually, almost jauntily, grabbed their dates and swaggered slowly to freedom.

About Town & Campus:

Faux Pas of the week: Jack Platt sang an Irish tune for Mrs. Whitmore's guests the other eve. After it a prof's wife said she liked it—that she had sung it while in High School. "Yeah," Platt offered, "it is a real old song, isn't it?" . . . A. Markowitz and C. Zahn were not pleased to meet Chick Werner at 2:30 A. M. Saturday . . . And this seems to be our last column—in fact we were supposed to write our last one a couple of weeks ago, but, as we never get around to anything on time, it took us until now to even finish this screwy job . . . We should cry in our beer, but we don't feel that way, and anyhow it's Sunday night and there's no beer, so we'll merely wander vaguely off, and let a new Maniac worry you people. And if we don't get knifed sometime during the next week or so, we'll be happy to merely remember this column business under the general heading of Fun in College. So long, muggs . . .

—WATTY

Co-Edits

Gamma Phi Beta initiated eight pledges Thursday night after which a party was held at their suite. Their formal dance was held at the Alpha Kappa Pi suite on Saturday night.

Kappa Kappa Gamma held their formal banquet at the Delta Tau Delta house on Saturday night, following the initiation of nine members on Saturday afternoon.

Chi Omega held their spring formal dance at the Centre Hills Country Club Saturday. Ginnie Wilde and Caroline Manifold returned to attend the dinner-dance.

Theta Phi Alpha will be the guests of the town women at a dinner to be held in the Sandwich Shop tonight.

Alpha Omicron Pi held their formal pledge dance at the Delta Tau Delta house on Friday night.

Ellen R. Richards Club Pledges New Members

The Ellen R. Richards club, honorary Home Economics fraternity for sophomore women, pledged twelve new members on Saturday afternoon.

The girls pledged were: Elizabeth Balderton, Marion J. Barby, Margaret B. Bratton, Louise Davert, Betty E. Ehrlich, Ruth B. Evans, Lois K. Gates, Anne E. Johnston, Evelyn G. Kraybill, Jean C. Kreible, Laura Kirk Lodge, and Reva M. Lincoln.

Livestock Exposition Planned Here May 4

The Block and Bridle Club, animal husbandry students' organization, will stage their annual Little International Livestock Exposition here Saturday, May 4. Lee Mohney '35 is general manager of the show.

Fitting and showing contests will display the carefully groomed college livestock. Other features will include men's and women's riding contests, a sheep dog demonstration, and a banquet following the show.

Silver loving cups will be awarded to the grand champion filter and showman and to the winners of the riding contests. Champions in the four livestock divisions will win medals, while ribbons will go to the class winners.

Samuel E. Keichline '35, and Morgan A. Wolfrom '35 are superintendents of the beef cattle division. Other department heads include Thomas E. Monerief '35, horses; Sedgwick E. Smith '35, sheep; Thomas W. Ferguson '36, swine. Walter S. Gabler '36 is chairman of the catalog committee. Merrill P. Tait '22 and Charles Reed '22 will be official judges. Both are graduates in animal husbandry from Penn State.

Annual Farmers' Field Day Plans Announced

Plans are being completed for the annual Farmers' Field Day to be held here all day Thursday, June 13. An invitation to sing at the 1936 Pennsylvania Farm Show will be extended to the winner of the rural community chorus contest which will feature the evening's entertainment.

Dean Ralph L. Watis, of the School of Agriculture, also stated that the Farm Show Commission voted fifty dollars to the chorus making the trip. Entries in the contest closed Friday, April 19. The committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Ernest L. Nixon, of the department of botany, will determine where elimination contests will be necessary to get adequate and equal representation of the different sections of the State.

Among The Greeks

Delta Tau Delta: Installation of new officers was held Saturday night. The Alpha Omega Pi sorority held their spring formal dance here Saturday night. Kappa Kappa Gamma was entertained at its annual spring banquet.

Old Gold Contest

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Our New Library

This is the tenth in the series of articles on the need for a new central College library building. This article deals with the necessity for a collection room.

The new library buildings which have been constructed at various colleges and universities recently have included within the walls certain rooms or halls which are called special collection rooms. In addition to the collection of books and periodicals for general cultural reading, every college library of any size should have, a few special collections which may or may not have endowment funds looking to their future growth. Such collections are frequently of some special value, they cater to some special interest or subject and are the treasures of the library. They are frequently the only available collections on certain subjects in large areas and scholars come from far and near. They give color, culture, and richness to the library as a whole.

The College Library has a number of such notable collections: the Beaver collection of Pennsylvania—one of the largest in the state; the Treasures Collection, including many first editions, autographed copies, valuable and unreplaceable volumes; the Sparks Collection of books, pictures, printed matter, etc., on American history; the Bible Collection, one of the most notable in the state, with copies in a dozen different languages and with imprint dates running from 1600 up to recent years; the Penn State Collection which includes the published writings of faculty and student body and alumni, the records and manuscripts, memoirs, pictures, printed matter pertaining to the history of the College, and others. Adequate special rooms are needed.

Dr. Bernreuter Given Honor by Association

Prof. Robert G. Bernreuter, of the department of psychology, was elected vice-president of the Pennsylvania Association of Clinical Psychologists, at the association's annual meeting, held in Harrisburg, recently.

While at the meeting, Professor Bernreuter read a paper on "The Theory of the Personality Inventory." The personality inventory is a test devised by Professor Bernreuter to indicate various personality traits and is in use in many colleges and universities throughout the country.

OMICRON NU (National Home Economics Society)

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Sharks are afraid of man and will not attack him unless cornered or first attacked by man, according to Dr. Clinton L. Baker, of Southwestern University.

Alumni Council Plans Annual Meeting June 8

The annual Alumni Council election has been completed and the reports of the newly elected members finished. The annual meeting of the organization will be held in the Home Economics auditorium, June 8, at 10 o'clock, when a number of important amendments to the by-laws will be acted upon.

Composed of 235 members, 182 of which are elected by district alumni and alumnae, the remainder being secretaries of graduated classes, the Council carries on its election by mail. All district representatives have been notified of their election.

W. S. Hoffman Returns

William S. Hoffman, registrar at the College, returned last week from a trip to Raleigh, N. C., where he attended the annual session of the American Association of College Registrars.

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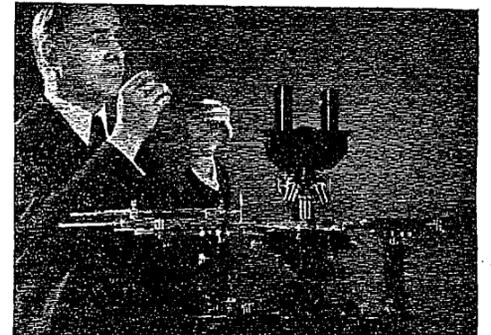
COLLEGE PROM

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RED NICHOLS and his rhythm

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