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3 Students Badly Hurt In Car Crash

Collins '37, Jones '38 Near Death After Head-on Crash

Bigham '38 Also Hurt; Ist Two Unconscious

BULLETIN
AS THE COLLEGIAN WENT TO PRESS LAST NIGHT, THE WILLIAMSPORT HOSPITAL REPORTED THAT BOB COLLINS HAD SUFFERED SEVERAL RE-LAPSES AFTER GAINING CONSCIOUSNESS. HIS CONDITION IS SERIOUS.

JONES WAS REPORTED AS STILL BEING UNCONSCIOUS AND IN CRITICAL CONDITION. SURGEONS PERFORMED AN OPERATION ON BIGHAM'S LEG AND REPORTED HIS CONDITION AS FAIR.

John C. Bigham '38, Robert N. Collins '37, and Benjamin F. Jones '38 were injured critically when the car in which they were riding Wednesday evening crashed head-on into a truck near Williamsport. Collins and Jones have not regained consciousness as the paper goes to press.

Robert Collins sustained several fractures of the jaw, fractures of the skull and was practically scalped when his head penetrated the windshield. Benjamin Jones received fractures of the skull, lacerations and bruises; John Bigham suffered from a fractured leg and bruises and is the only one to have gained consciousness.

A hospital report issued at 9 o'clock Thursday morning indicated that Jones and Collins were still in a serious condition. It is believed that a piece of skull is lodged against Jones' brain, causing him to remain unconscious. Collins and Jones were reported to be improved since Wednesday night.

Jones, Collins, and Bigham were traveling south on Route 111, with

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Group Considers Blanket Fee Idea

Osterlund Appoints Committee To Investigate Proposal For New Levy

A proposal to levy a blanket fee on all students at the time of registration to aid certain extra-curricular activities is now being considered by a student-faculty committee appointed last week by Frank Osterlund, senior class president.

Although such a proposal has been discussed often, the first official step to have it adopted was taken this week when a petition was presented to Student Board asking that students be allowed to vote on the question at the class elections this spring. The petition was presented by John M. Jaqueth and signed by more than a hundred students.

According to this plan the present fee of fifty cents a year which every student pays to Forensic Council would be abolished and a larger fee would be substituted. This money would then be divided among certain extra-curricular activities which help to publicize the College in one way or another and which are not completely self-supporting.

The Board favored the general idea of the proposal and a committee was appointed to determine just which activities need help and what amount of money would be necessary to carry out the plan. Wednesday night the Student Union Board discussed it without taking any definite action.

In addition to the debating teams, some of the organizations that would probably be eligible to receive aid are the various judging teams in the Agriculture School, the Glee Club, the Symphony, and others. In addition, Players and Thespians could receive help when making trips out of town.

"All organizations which feel that they are eligible for such assistance should get in touch with members of the committee," Osterlund said, "so that we can determine just how much money will be necessary to carry out the plan."

The members of the committee are: Frank A. Osterlund '37, Lee M. Sunday '37, and Johnson Brenneman '37.

'Funny Paper' Characters To Feature Beaux Arts Ball

Professors Caricatured as Comic Personalities In Costume Ball Tonight at Armory; Bottorf's Band To Play

Professors will be comic strip actors at the fifth annual Beaux Arts Ball, which will be held in the Armory tonight from 9 until 1 o'clock. The dance is sponsored by Seabair, national architectural honorary fraternity.

Under the guise of "Funny Paper Capers" and "Comic Strip Dance," Beaux Arts this year will feature decorations depicting a take-off on the professors and familiar campus scenes. Among the comic characters are Casper Milquetoast, Blondie, Joe Palooka, the Gumps, Smitty, and Henry.

With music being supplied by a costumed Bill Bottorf and his orchestra,

Beaux Arts will require any sort of outfit along with the admission price of \$1.25 per couple. This includes the tax and free checking.

Informal Dress
Following the usual custom, old clothes or fancy costumes, stressing informal dress will do. During the intermission, prizes will be awarded to the best costumes, one for men and one for women.

Leading the fourteen new sets that will decorate the Armory is a life-size portrait of Petty's famous woman, back telephone, and all. It was done by Paul V. Long '38 and will be unveiled during the grand march. Sixteen sets with new decorations will also be used.

Two o'clock permissions have been granted girls attending the dance, the committee, which is composed of David L. Allebach '37, Edward T. Roth '37, and George A. Downs '37, announced. Entrance will be through the side door, via a tropical scene with a dragon's mouth thrown in. Refreshments will be available.

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Junior Prom To Hear Glen Gray's Band

Casa Loma Is Selected From Group of 4 For May 14

'Pee-Wee' Hunt, Kenny Sargent Give Vocals

Glen Gray and the Casa Loma orchestra have been selected to play for Junior Prom, May 14, it was announced today by Charles J. Campbell '38, chairman of the committee. Glen Gray played for the same dance in 1935 and 1932.

The committee chose Glen Gray from a narrowed list of four orchestras. Horace Heidt was unable to



GLEN GRAY

because of a previous contract with the Hotel Biltmore in New York City. Hal Kemp is not available on Friday evening, and a change of date was impossible there due to a conflict with Mother's Day. Benny Goodman was not contractable on May 14.

Dand Co-operative
Casa Loma became a unit in 1929 as the first orchestra under co-operative management. Each member has an equal voice in all business matters and salaries are paid according to accepted standards of the art. All traveling and other operating expenses are paid from the income and the remainder divided among all the members. The original organization is still in existence.

To Casa Loma goes the honor of developing one of the first "swing" styles, their music being as distinctive as their organization. Among the leading organizations Glen Gray has had are Glen Island Casino, the Essex House, and the Rainbow Room in Radio City, New York.

The orchestra boasts two well-known singers, "Pee-Wee" Hunt and Kenny Sargent. Gray is president of the corporation, Hunt, vice-president, and Sargent, secretary and treasurer.

Who's Dancing
TONIGHT
Beaux Arts Ball
Armory
Bill Bottorf
(Subscription)

TOMORROW NIGHT
Alpha Omicron Pi
Bill Bottorf
(Closed)

Asked To Work for Nothing, Deeter Organized Hedgerow

One day about fourteen years ago Jasper Deeter, annoyed at being asked to play a part for nothing, deserted the company he was playing with to visit his sister in Rose Valley. He saw in it an ideal location for a business development, as Folk Hall, the community meeting place, which was formerly an old mill, made an excellent playhouse.

The Rose Valley people invited Deeter to do a production with them. He brought some professional performers who stayed and formed a colony. The experiment was successful but a feud developed between the players and the Rose Valley people. Herbert Walton who was acting with the group cried, "If they throw us out we'll play in the hedge rows." The group went out and adopted the name.

Miss Miriam Phillips who plays Olivia in "Twelfth Night" visited one of the drama classes and said that

acting is merely one of the phases of their program as they are concerned principally with the development of the theatre as a whole. Each member must realize this and be willing to help build sets, sew costumes, collect tickets and do the dirty work.

The full-time players who live together in the community plan their own meals, shop and clean, as the only outside help is a cook and laundress. The box office receipts go in a common fund which is used to build up the theatre and pay for necessities which are bought in lots. No salaries are given and doctor and dentist bills are paid from the fund.

12 Students Compile Perfect '3' All-College Class Records

Charles M. Rick Tops Seniors With 2.97 Mark; Only 4 Freshmen Have Clean Slates; 257 Reach 2.5 Average

Twelve students have compiled perfect 3.00 averages to top the all-college class standings, it was revealed by figures released yesterday by Registrar William S. Hoffman. Five juniors, four freshmen, and three sophomores comprise the group. Not a single senior maintained a 3.00 average.

A total of 257 students have compiled records of 2.5 or better. Eighty-three freshmen, eighty-two sophomores, fifty-one juniors, and forty-one seniors make up the leading bracket.

High among the seniors is Charles M. Rick, student in the School of Agriculture, with an average of 2.97. Geneva C. Ziegler, Chemistry and Physics, is runner-up with a mark of 2.93. Other senior leaders are John W. Angstadt, Engineering, 2.92; James E. Hackett, Liberal Arts, 2.85; Grace V. Straley, Education, 2.81; Harold A. DeVincentis, Mineral Industries, 2.79; and Richard L. Hassler, Physical Education and Athletics, 2.70.

Leading the junior class with 3.00 averages are Donald B. Broughton and John E. Walter, both of Chemistry and Physics; Ralph E. Dimmick and George W. Strein, both of Liberal Arts; and Lecta M. Gridley, Education. Lott M. Steintz tops the Agriculture students with 2.89; George F. Rouault, Mineral Industries, 2.86; William A. Diefenderfer, Engineering, 2.85; and Elinor Cairns, Physical Education and Athletics, 2.83.

Christine M. Kaufman and Henry R. Smith, jr., both of Liberal Arts, and Betty J. Boman, Agriculture, lead the sophomore class with perfect marks. Robert H. Hasek, Chemistry and Physics, is a close runner-up with 2.99. Other sophomore leaders are Robert S. Bogar, Engineering, 2.84; John E. Wray, Mineral Industries, 2.80; Dorothy L. Snyder, Education, 2.72; and Victor E. Gentilman, Physical Education and Athletics, 1.90.

Only four freshmen started their careers with perfect records. Frederick B. Augustine and George E. Inskip, both of Chemistry and Physics; Martin V. Rockwell, Agriculture; and James A. Spicer, Engineering, comprise the list. Freshmen high in the other schools are Ann W. Bonine, Liberal Arts, 2.94; John W. Myers, Mineral Industries, 2.90; and Charlotte S. Knabb, Education, 2.87.

Members of six Nittany winter teams attained a mark of 1.54, as compared to the all-College average of 1.32 and the all-men's level of 1.27.

The gymnastic team, with an average of 2.10, led the other athletic groups. Wrestling, with 1.63, and swimming, with 1.62, followed. Fencing, basketball, and boxing completed the list with marks of 1.43, 1.31, and 1.06 respectively.

Over a long period of years, the graders led all other winter teams in scholastic competition. According to Charley Spidel, who coaches the eastern championship Lion team, he doesn't know "whether wrestling makes the boys smart or the boys must be smart to be wrestlers."

Frank Craighead, 126-pound matman, led the individual averages with an unusually high grade of 2.86. He was closely followed by Albert Kilgman, Bergen Suydam, and William Parton, of the gymnastic team, who had marks of 2.78, 2.77, and 2.61 respectively. Bob Dewalt, captain-elect of the swimming team, ranked fifth with 2.60.

John Craighead, twin brother of Frank, who shared the 126-pound wrestling position, also received high academic honors with a 2.54 average. Jack Light, former captain and three times eastern champion, registered 2.18 and Joe Krupa, 165-pound titleholder, followed with 2.15.

Leading the boxing team was Frank Goodman, 1936 national champion at 135 pounds and wearer of the eastern crown for two seasons. Goodman averaged 1.61. Two fencers, Edward Kirk and Howard Potter, compiled high grades with 2.46 and 2.40, respectively.

George Chalmers, basketball letterman, paced the courtmen with a 1.85 average. Other high basketball players were Herb Peterson, with 1.70, and Bill Stopper, 1.65. Only lettermen from each squad were used in determining the scholastic averages.

The last of the Liberal Arts lectures will be given Tuesday, April 20, by Prof. Arthur H. Reede, of the department of economics. His topic will be "The Background of the Present Situation in Spain."

Points Out Little-Known Facts About Spanish Learning In 16th Century
The fervor of Spain's learning in the sixteenth century was hidden behind a curtain, according to Prof. Harrison H. Arnold, of the department of romance languages, in the fourth of the Liberal Arts lectures in the Home Economic auditorium on Wednesday night.

Professor Arnold stated that although most historians have ignored it, Spain has had ten Greek scholars to each one in England and has had a greater number of colleges and universities in proportion to the number of people than any other country in Europe. The people, he explained, received the Renaissance with a sense of proportion, using an unusual independence in accepting new principles, and displayed a practical sense in using them.

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IM Athletics Placed Under New Control

Board Now Advisory; Bischoff Directs Intramurals

Director Will Choose Managers on Merit

Following the suggestions of a recent COLLEGIAN editorial, intramural athletics will be conducted under a new plan whereby the various sports will be under the proper official in the School of Physical Education and Athletics. This change will centralize the administration and management in the office of Eugene C. Bischoff, director of intramural athletics, according to an announcement made today by Dr. Elwood C. Davis, of the School of Physical Education and Athletics.

The old plan placed the control in the hands of the Board and tournament managers. The new system will make the duties of this Board advisory in nature and provide that the director of intramurals will select tournament managers. The School will pick boys who are interested and willing to receive instruction as managers of the various teams.

Removes Politics
This action will remove the politics entering into the functioning of the intramural plan. Greater efficiency is the expected result of this change in the handling of the program. Under the old set-up the faculty member in charge was held responsible for mismanagement and injuries, when actually the authority rested in the Board.

The members of the Board will be elected in the same manner as before, it consisting of the five most efficient and deserving managers of the preceding year. Other members on the Board are president of the senior class, president of the Athletic Association, president of Interfraternity Council, a representative of the non-fraternity group, editor of the COLLEGIAN, and the director of intramural athletics.

The recent COLLEGIAN editorial pointed out that during intramural football games a large number of injuries occurred because the game was not under faculty administration nor was there a doctor or trainer present. Student referees, unable to cope with all the problems nor themselves well versed in the sports, did not have full control over the players.

Optional R.O.T.C. Forum Scheduled
Peace Action Council Will Hold Discussion Tuesday Night At 7 O'clock

"R. O. T. C.—Optional or Compulsory?" will be the subject of an open forum discussion to be held under the auspices of the Penn State Peace Action Council in Schwab auditorium next Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. Rev. Charles D. Rockel D. D., of Altoona, will be the speaker of the evening and will advocate optional R. O. T. C. for Penn State, according to Charles A. Dockens '38, chairman of the council.

Tuesday night's meeting, Dockens said, is part of the local phase of the State wide campaign which the Peace Action Council is waging in an effort to have the compulsory feature removed from military training on this campus. Dockens urged that all students make an effort to attend the meeting and register their opposition to compulsory R. O. T. C.

ROTC Is Unamerican
"The compulsory feature of R. O. T. C.," Dockens stated, "is absolutely undemocratic and cannot in any way be reconciled with the true spirit of Americanism."

Reverend Rockel is a member of the Emergency Peace Campaign and is a well known and effective speaker throughout the east, Dockens stated. In addition he is prominent in civic circles in Altoona. Until recently Reverend Rockel was chairman of the Blair County Poor Board and is now chairman of the Altoona Community Chest organization.

Pastor of the Reformed Evangelical church, Reverend Rockel secured his A. B. degree at Franklin and Marshall and did graduate work at Columbia University. He has contributed articles to magazines and church publications.

Bruce Moore, College Trustee, Dies in Home

D. Bruce Moore, 58, a trustee of the College since 1934, died at his home in Washington, Pa., on Monday. Funeral services were held in the First United Presbyterian church in Washington on Wednesday. Cause of death was laid to a cerebral hemorrhage ten minutes after receiving a stroke.

Mr. Moore served as associate editor of the Washington Observer. During Governor Pinchot's second term, Mr. Moore was floor leader of the State House of Representatives. He was appointed to his trustee post by Governor Pinchot.

A graduate of Washington and Jefferson College in 1898, Mr. Moore went into newspaper work and soon became editor of the Greensburg Record. Later he became a United Presbyterian minister, taught in Egypt, and conducted a literary campaign against liquor. He is survived by one son and one daughter.

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