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GRAMMAR SCHOOL STUFF

IT HAS BEEN reported that the R. O. T. C. department has adopted the good, old educational tactics of the grammar and high school days when the county superintendent came for his yearly visit.

Members of R. O. T. C. classes have said when the big time Army inspectors were here a few weeks ago that the whole proceedings were distinctly staged and that the boys were clearly carrying the stooging in from the drill field to the class room.

It seems that when the professor of military science and tactics asked a question, he knew just who he could call upon to have it correctly answered, and thus assure the big-time boys that Penn State was doing her part in preparing for the next great conflict.

The stories run that one week prior to the staging of the side-show, the officer in charge went through the class asking the questions that would be repeated the following week. When he found someone who could answer one satisfactorily he would jot down the stooge's name opposite the question. This permitted him to be the star pupil the following week.

Now this is an old, old gag, and it is discouraging to note that the military boys have resorted to such colorless play. It means that when the bands aren't playing, the khaki marching and the time comes to justify all this nonsense in a sane manner there is nothing left for even a "three and nothing" pitch.

To infringe upon the exclusive rights of many grade school educators to justify their jobs is nothing short of pathetic and indicates that R. O. T. C. is in its foibles, or "it's cups," as might be preferred.

When the boys have nothing to offer but an old one like that, they are on the wane. It means that the officers should realize the game's up. They can't invade the field of the intellectual and should return to ditch-digging. Although ditch-digging is recognized to be a fundamental military operation.

Next year when the inspectors come they probably will report that between snoozes, the teacher and the front row engaged in a quiet game of dominos and the construction of mud pies.

All of which leads one to wonder just what the intellectual gentlemen in charge of those classes would have talked about had the whole thing been called off.

A CHANCE TO HONOR A HERO

Those students who are interested in football and a great football player might show their appreciation to Chuck Cherundolo by clipping a coupon from the Inquirer and sending in the votes for the Lion center to play in the All-Star game that paper is staging late this summer.

College players from Eastern Pennsylvania will be chosen by the number of votes they receive from these clipped ballots. Cherundolo, overlooked in national recognition due to poor playing mates, is certainly deserving of any aid students here can give him in becoming known.

It would be a grand gesture if students, faculty, and townspeople could mail in enough of these ballots to give Chuck a place on that team. And it would be an honor long over-due.

NOTES ABOUT COLLEGE BUILDING: It is heartening to note that they have named the new girl's dormitory. This may be an indication that they are going to start building it any time now.

The Philadelphia Record writes interestingly recently to the effect that the PWA has given the state \$56,000,000 of its funds three times now, but where is the money. Come on, now, they say in effect, we've been good boys. Fork over. Five million and some odd dollars of this is expected to be spent here for buildings other than the new women's dorm which is trustee-financed.

WOMEN STUDENTS may be interested in knowing that there have been quite a few cases of attack and molestation known here recently. This plus "spring fever" water, lack of College Health Service action, and the probability of an increased enrollment in two years or so, with no additional housing conditions in sight are not contributing toward making State College a healthy place in which to live.

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It Is Learned That The Mouth Is To Be Used For Eating

The Secret of the Water:

It has been revealed at last just what is tainting our water supply. Saturday night two delatichi boys, Jim Plummer and Bill Veenschoten, climbed Mr. Ebert's nice, new water tower to drain a bit of the frothy brew they had brought along. Just how long they stayed there and just what they did may contain the answer to the "spring fever" in the water supply.

Daylight Saving Time:

And while on the subject of Ebert enterprise, it is fitting to note that the dial of Old Main's clock that faces the Armory was exactly one hour ahead of the other three dials Sunday night. It is hard to tell whether this is the result of continual gazing at the Armory, or whether an Ebertman has been to the big city lately and discovered the existence of Daylight Saving Time.

Propaganda From the Well of Life:

Among the evening's batch of propaganda from Fascist Councils and dirty Reds was a short note from God:

KISSING

A Dangerous Custom

As the ear is the door for hearing or receiving sounds, and the eye the door for seeing, so the mouth is another door. It has several functions but we will only speak of one, that of kissing. . . . There is a function that is hidden in each body or temple that is intended to be kept in subjection until the time of procreation; but if this function is meddled with, it will bring forth lust and it usually ends in the loss of virtue and plunges one into sin, ruin and destruction of both body and soul. Kissing is tampering with lust and brings it forth. Every mother as well as daughter should read the tract, "A Tragic End," which gives the testimony of a young girl just before she took her life, in which she attributes the first step of her downfall to the "lover's kiss." Free copies sent upon request. . . .

Remember the way of the transgressor is hard. The end is bitter and full of sorrow and regret and despair. You would not knock upon a pest-house door for admittance, yet you will give your lips over to a degenerate, lustful man who is often inoculated with a vile disease that carries poison in his very breath. There is a hidden power about him this is seeking to get control of you. You are on dangerous ground when you get intimate with men, especially strange men. Beware! Go not in the way of sinners! . . .

On the other hand, there are honest, virtuous young men who are trying to lead upright lives but in this fast, reckless age they are in danger of being taken in by the MODERN FLAPPER who is usually well skilled in many artful ways of tempting young and leading them on to seemingly innocent familiarities; but do not go her way for it is dangerous. Enter not into temptation no matter how beautiful she makes herself. Remember Satan was once a most beautiful angel who fell from his high estate using this art of exterior beauty to entrap men through the eye-gate. . . .

"This modern craze" of mouth-kissing is vulgar, unsanitary and dangerous, both morally and physically. If you doubt this statement, simply ask any REPUTABLE physician."

FREE TRACT SOCIETY, LOS ANGELES, CAL. -adv.

In the face of all this world-gone-to-hell era I was happy to run across Jo Hobart, Twinkappa, who claims that in her 3 and 15-16th years here she has never occupied a davenport. I detected a wistful look in her face as she said this. Or was I wrong?

For Social Progress—Bucknell:

A belated explanation of why Bucknell failed to send a golf team here a few weeks ago has finally been discovered. It seems that the Bucknell fraternities were carrying on house party that week-end—and the coach couldn't get the team to make the jaunt! What this country needs is more tee-totalers.

LaVie Dedicated To Dean Sackett

Retiring Chief of Engineering School Honored at Dinner At Nittany Lion

Formal dedication of the 1937 LaVie to Dean Robert L. Sackett was made by Walter L. Peterson '37, editor of the yearbook, at the annual banquet of the School of Engineering personnel at the Nittany Lion Inn last night.

The honor was conferred upon Dean Sackett for his outstanding achievements and contributions to the College.

Present: Leather Folio

At the same time, a leather folio of letters from friends and photographs of the College were presented in behalf of Dean Sackett's friends by Prof. E. David Walker, of the department of civil engineering, President Ralph D. Hetzel addressed the group, and J. Orvis Keller, assistant to the president, acted as toastmaster.

The LaVie will be ready for distribution on Monday, May 31, according to Peterson. The yearbooks are free to seniors who have spent eight semesters at the College. A charge of \$1.25 for each semester under eight will be made to those graduating seniors who have not spent their full time here.

Boom Times Return As C&F Seniors Take Jobs

Prosperity is back and back bigger than ever before. At least that is the opinion of the commerce and finance seniors who are having difficulty deciding between offers of positions.

Already more than 60 of the 100 odd graduating men have accepted jobs in the business world and the remaining ones have only to sign on the dotted line to be among the employed. Dr. Carl W. Hasek remarked that this department is having difficulty in filling the numerous jobs that have been pouring in.

Firms hiring these men included T. V. A., F. W. Woolworth Co., Bethlehem Steel Co., Holland Securities Co., General Electric Co., Armstrong Cork Co., Swift & Co., American Telephone and Telegraph and the major insurance companies. Interviewers, Doctor Hasek said, were mostly interested in personality, activities and scholastic marks.

Cobb Announces Local April Rainfall Record

Prof. J. Stanley Cobb, of the department of agronomy and the College weather bureau, reported that the rainfall in State College for April was the highest since 1928. The total reached 6.75 inches as compared with 7.57 inches nine years ago. The years 1928 and 1909 are the only ones which exceeded this season's April rainfall since records were first kept at the College station in 1880.

Of the total April rainfall, 3.42 inches fell on the 26th, 27th and 28th of the month. The 53-year normal rainfall for April is 3.33. The rainfall for the first four months of 1937 is lower than that for the same period of 1936. This year, 16.4 inches were recorded, as compared to 18.30 inches last season.

Temperature for April was not unusual, according to Mr. Cobb. The mean temperature was 46.5 degrees, the maximum 79 degrees on the 18th, and the minimum 26 degrees on the 11th and 17th. The 51-year normal temperature for April is 47.13.

Mont Alto Foresters Hold Annual Field Day

The annual field day of the forestry school was held at Mont Alto on Friday. Included on the program were different competitions, including forestry events, athletic events, and novelty numbers.

Following the field day, a picnic supper was held, at which the prizes were awarded to the winning contestants, and to the section that scored the greatest number of points.

Shattuck Given Honor

Prof. Harold B. Shattuck, for many years professor of railroad engineering, has been accorded an emeritus designation by the board of trustees. Professor Shattuck has been in retirement since Feb. 1 because of ill health.

Co-Edits

With the annual cramming week coming on, women's fraternities have been winding up their social season. Sunday afternoon M. May Dunaway '37 entertained her Theta sisters with a tea at her home.

Mrs. Eddie Nichols bade farewell to the A. O. Pi seniors at a breakfast at her home Sunday. Theta Sigma Phi gave a tea for sophomore women journalists eligible for their fraternity at the Delta Gamma house Thursday.

Five Alpha Chi Omegas travelled to Chestertown, Md., to help install a chapter of their fraternity at Washington college. The girls who went were Peg Herrman, Betty Show, Mary Jane Sample, Doris Jones, and Peggy Crooks.

Chi Omega had a supper at their house Sunday night for the Kappa Sigas. They held their formal dinner-dance at the Nittany Lion Inn Saturday night.

Mortar Board recently elected the following officers: Anne Rudolph, president; Pudge Saunders, vice-president; Frieda Knepper, secretary; Eric Hoffer, treasurer; and Jean Lyman, editor. Wednesday night Mrs. Ralph D. Hetzel will entertain the Mortar Board members at a dinner at her home.

Short Illness Claims Life Of Instructor

Seth W. Long, instructor in civil engineering, died in the Centre County hospital at Bellefonte on Friday night. Death resulted from complications following an illness of three weeks, according to attending physicians.

Long was 42 years old, and had been an instructor at the College for 18 years. He lived at 302 Locust Lane. Long was born July 28, 1894 in Rochester, N. Y., and is survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Long and a brother Richard, all of Rochester.

A graduate from the College in 1917, Long served overseas during the World War, returning after the war to take a position as instructor in the department of civil engineering. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, Chi Epsilon and Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternities. Funeral services were held at Rochester.

Wanted: Students With Yen For South Seas

"Why can't anything like that ever happen to me?"

You surely remember those blood and raw nerve romances that you used to read at about this time of year. Don Dash, the resourceful youth with a yen for adventure receives a letter from Uncle Bob asking him to make a trip with him in his little schooner into the South Seas on a scientific adventure presumably. Don finally persuades Father, gets a glimpse of a yellow face in the window one stormy night or receives a mysterious note, gets on the boat, and the rest follows along the same vein.

It may be ten years late, but here it is. A letter received by the Collegian office is quoted in full.

On or about July 1st, I am leaving for the South Seas, with a new 27-ton staysail schooner, on a scientific expedition. I can accommodate a few more in the party to share expenses. If you have any students interested in going, I would be very glad to discuss the matter further."

For those hardier Don Dash's who aren't scared off by thoughts of yellow faces seen on stormy nights—or better yet the second quoted sentence, the address follows: Captain William T. Murra, Yacht "Seven Seas," 451 N. Wo. River Drive, Miami, Florida.

Speech Dept. To Give H.S. Students Courses

Five courses designed to aid high school students and graduates attain perfect speech will be offered by the College during the summer session, June 28 to August 6. This is the only sub-collegiate work given by the College. Skill in public speaking and debate will be stressed.

Prof. John H. Frizzell and Joseph F. O'Brien, of the division of speech, will be in charge of the courses, assisted by Dr. Sara Stinchfield Hawk, nationally known for her speech correction work, who will act as clinician for defects.

Gardner To Leave Dept. For His Two Farms

For nearly 29 years he has been head of the department of agronomy here.

Just a few weeks ago he was appointed professor emeritus of agronomy at a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees.

In another few weeks, he will retire from active service.

Thus unwinds the local academic career of Prof. Frank D. Gardner.

Once retired, Gardner will leave State College, but only during the winter seasons when the Gardners plan to tour the southern states.

During the summer, however, the Gardners will remain here where their major interests lie. His nearby farms need more attention than they have received in recent years, Gardner says and these, together with a bit of writing, should occupy his time, he believes.

Citing it as an aid and a guarantee of security to the college staff, Gardner lauded the extension of the State Employees' Retirement Act to the college.

Oil Engineers To Hold Annual Meeting Here

For the sixth time in ten years the annual national meeting of the Oil and Gas Power Division of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers will be held here when men from all over the country gather for the sessions on August 18, 19, 20, and 21.

A large technical program of engineering papers and an exhibition of Diesel engines, parts, and accessories will be featured at the meeting which will attract engineers and executives interested in design, development, and application of Diesel engines from the United States and several foreign countries.

Attends Ag. Meeting

Prof. R. U. Blasingame, head of the department of agricultural engineering, and members of his department will attend the annual convention of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, of which Professor Blasingame is president, from June 21 to June 24 at the University of Illinois. The group will then attend a meeting at the Caterpillar Tractor Company's plant at Peoria, Illinois.

Belgium Scholarship Awarded Instructor

Francis E. Hyslop, Jr., of the department of architecture, has been awarded a summer fellowship scholarship for the study of art in Belgium.

Hyslop expects to sail for Belgium the first week in June and will return in mid-September. He plans to attend lectures at the Royal Museum in Brussels, but will spend most of his time studying examples of Flemish art, a field of major interest to him. This is one of 14 awards made by the Committee for Relief in Belgium from invested funds.

James Hornbeck '31, instructor at the Schuylkill and Hazleton Centers, and Donald T. Mishe '30, of the William Rockhill Nelson Art galleries in Kansas City, have been awarded Carnegie Summer Scholarships for the study of fine arts at Harvard University.



Florsheims, \$8.35 up
Nunn Bush . . \$6.45
Edgerton . \$4.95 up
Friendlys . . . \$4.69
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Advertisement for STARK BROS. & HARPER featuring an ODD LOT CASH SALE beginning May 25 with items like Neckwear, Summer Slacks, Hats, Sample Hats, Sweaters, and Sport Coats.

Advertisement for GERNERD'S CLEARANCE SALE featuring text: CLEARANCE SALE is now going on All Merchandise at Greatly Reduced Prices GERNERD'S SOUTH ALLEN STREET