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BETRAYING THE DEAD

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should be maintained as a means for preparedness. Selfish as it may seem, armed resistance for the protection of our own shores is the only war that can ever be justified and justified fully. Should that time come, millions of Americans would spring up overnight to defend their country from the enemy. But, say the advocates of compulsory military training, we need officers capable of leading the war. True. But don't we have an army? A navy? A marine corps? Military training schools? Naval academies? And can anyone say—truthfully, honestly, sincerely—that two years of compulsory military training in the R. O. T. C. gives to a man the ability to lead a company in a REAL war? Can anyone deny that it is necessary to take something more than the basic course in military training in order to become an officer, an able officer? If it isn't necessary, then why do we have so-called "advanced" courses in military training? And if students are so interested in military training as to take the OPTIONAL ADVANCED course, isn't it only logical to believe they would be interested in taking an OPTIONAL BASIC course? The case for compulsory military training seems to be shaped like a doughnut, with all proof and all common sense in the center. The Collegian does not oppose R. O. T. C. because it is military training. The Collegian opposes R. O. T. C. because it is COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING. —J. A. T.

SHRINKING BUILDINGS

IT IS MORE than interesting and enlightening to note the changes in the expected building appropriations as quoted last spring by the State Authority and those, those quoted recently. Largest decrease in the appropriation from PWA funds is the amount allotted to the new Library. Approximately the funds for this building have been slashed from one million dollars to \$500,000. Slicing in half the amount for one of the most important structures is a serious blow to the purpose of expansion. The old library houses approximately 275,000 books. A new library without wings will house but 300,000. It has been interesting to note what happens to half-finished buildings. For example take the Textile Chemistry and Main Engineering buildings—both originally slated for wings. The present library is too small and inadequate for the present student enrollment. With other buildings going up, that need will be amplified. That is but one example. Take a look at the general trend. The figures are furnished by Col. Augustine S. Janeway, chairman of the State Authority.

Table with 3 columns: Building Name, Amount Slated, Present Amount. Includes Liberal Arts, Water System, Textile Chemistry, Forestry, Education, Health and Physical Education, Library, Service Lines and Power, Mineral Industries, Zoological and Ag Chemistry, Poultry, Physics and Chemistry, Infirmary, Mechanical Engineering, Service and Stores, Ag Education, Electrical Engineering, Biological.

Totals \$6,891,500 \$4,421,150
It is too bad that politics has to enter so much into the furthering of an issue as important as education, especially education for which tax-payers have paid and to whose service building expansion is dedicated.

THE BLUE BAND deserves a lot of credit for its great performance at Penn last Saturday. With a new spirit engendered in the group and with an average of one and one half hours being spent each day on formations, results have been obtained. Their snap has been a tonic to those who were disappointed last year. Further intricate formations, and another good show are expected at tomorrow's house-party celebration.

CAMPUSEER

BY HERBERT

A Great Gag:

A friend came up to us the other day and pulled what he termed "a great gag." We nearly died laughing.

Said the jokester, "You know the Ogilvie twins? They're look-alikes." We controlled our laughter until the following came along:

Prof. Hilgert, advertising expert, has the twins in his class this semester. After about two months, he scrutinized them carefully, and asked one (we don't know which) the following: "Are you two sisters?"

Houseparty After All:

Buzz Anderson, phi gam, has really been perturbed about houseparty, we learn. He had a gal picked out to ask, and then found that he hadn't the wherewithal to proceed. (This is by no means to be construed as a sheriff's sale.)

This was right along the general opinion among co-eds that there was no houseparty.

But Buzz had a friend who was a friend, and his name was Clark. Mr. Clark, it seems, is in far-away Florida where his parents are ill. So Mr. Clark knowing that Mr. Anderson had no date, proceeded to fix Mr. Anderson up with one.

Mr. Anderson, therefore, was much surprised to hear from a girl in New York via Western Union (free adv.) that she, the girl, was only too glad to accept Mr. Anderson's invitation to h. p., extended though it was from a Mr. Clark.

So now Mr. Anderson has a h. p. date whom he doesn't know, and he still is in the same shape as he was before, except that he won't be taking the gal he'd like to.

Also, said gal from New York is said to be one of the type that is last to crawl under the table—not that phi gams and their friends are prone to do that.

A New Campaign:

Campy fee's that h. p. week-end would be a good one in which to start a new campaign to end all campaigns. He feels that all students should refrain from indulging the nasty spirits from 5 o'clock this afternoon until Monday morning, when such activity along this line as is desired may be continued.

Like a lot of campaigns—this one is Republican.

Dance Committeewomen:

As in a lot of other things, the co-eds here think they are being chiseled as to membership on dance committees. As they would agree in the terms of the Wyand, "They are being so—oooooooooed."

To appease this wrath, there is a move afoot to sooth the whole situation by allowing W. S. G. A. to select several women to serve on the Senior Ball committee in purely an advisory capacity.

The comp list being the way it is, and the advice of "dance" committees being what it is, this will really be swoooooothing.

As the great Wyand would say further (he really has nothing to do with it all): "Women must have their wiiiiiiiiights."

Add Penn Breakdowns:

It appears that the Penn week-end cannot be signed off without mention of the difficulties encountered by two theta xi's and two delta gam's.

It seems that John Cronin and his sister Gertie had between them a car called "Joseph," which they endeavored to take to Penn. Shortly out of State College, Joseph broke down. They were hauled back. Gertie decided that was enough for her and went by train. But Janet Ellis and Hank Stockamore fixed Joseph up and drove on to Philly.

They all came back together in Joseph—that is, until Joseph broke down again. They pushed her behind a handy billboard, and proceeded to bum the rest of the way home.

Houseparty!

The biggest week-end this fall . . . imports and co-eds . . . Maryland, a new addition to the grid schedule . . . the last home game . . . dances tonight and tomorrow . . . and sooner or later a visit to

The Corner unusual

'Cut' Rule Change Asked By Board

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makes the following suggestions and hints to the deans and faculty of the College:

"1. Substitution of outside reading and outside reports might take the place of rigid attendance rules in courses where lecturing is done from the text-book and students are graded more on attendance than on scholastic achievement.

"2. The Board strongly suspects that instructors who make a tense situation over the matter of cuts are ones who cannot hold attendance at their classes through excellence of performance.

"3. The Board believes that attendance as a requirement for passing any course is out-moded and old-fashioned except in the freshman class. The Board feels that students desirous of educating themselves will do so. It feels, also, that no student should be offered the cut alibi for flunking a course. The basis for passing a student should be the actual work done, the Board believes.

"4. Student Board has no desire to meddle with class room time, laboratory time, or project time that is necessary to the completion of scholastic work. But it maintains that the completion of such work is far more important than in what periods it is completed. Courses could be outlined in the beginning, telling the student just what work would be required of him to pass and what particular classes it would be necessary to attend in the completion of that work.

"5. The Board feels that a system such as has been suggested be instituted, in particular, in the upper two classes where the students are more oriented and specialized as has been done in many prominent high-ranking eastern colleges and universities.

"6. Student Board is very grateful of the cooperation extended to the sincere desires of the student body to date, and feels confident that in presenting this proposal that it will receive due consideration this semester in order to enable the setting up of such a system in February should it be deemed feasible."

Friars Elect Officers, Initiate 6 New Men

The Friars, honorary athletic society, elected new officers for the year last Tuesday night in Old Main. They are: Robert E. Schuler, president; Harold E. Webb, secretary; and Lloyd G. Smity, treasurer.

New men initiated into the society were as follows: Arthur B. Seibel, James J. Schaeffer, Harry H. Hauth, John Barry, Morris Schaffner, and William S. Wiley.

Freshmen Customs Off For Week-end

Beginning at 5 o'clock this afternoon, all freshmen will be excused from the wearing and observance of customs until Monday morning at 8 o'clock, the Men's Student tribunal announced at its regular weekly meeting.

The Tribunal stated that this action was taken because of the faithfulness with which the freshmen have been observing customs.

School Councils Will Organize Next Week

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H. Hauth, Charles F. Botto, and Frank E. Williams.

Physical Education - Chemistry and Physics council is to consist of Juniors: James L. Keller, William Scheffey, Donald V. Gnan, Robert W. Miller, and James H. Ickes. Sophomore members are: William G. Renshaw, Jr., Robert S. Voris, Frederick R. Miller, and Franklin T. Binford.

The student council of the Physical Education School is to consist of the following: Juniors, Joseph Cioeka, Othmar B. Wienschel, and Paul Baumann. Sophomore members will be Theodore J. Nemeth, David J. Nemeth, and Norman W. Gordon.



For the Game

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