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**CAMPUSEER**  
 BY HENRIE L. P.

**Philosophically Speaking:**  
 Bill (William Lester, to you) Orris remarked to his room-mate, Harry Reed, "our room's just like an old shoe, I'm the soul and you're the heel." Incidentally, Bill can't decide whether to be a dancer or a sculptor!

**Architectural Assets:**  
 "Pop" Johnstone and "Whipp" Whitaker, architect profs, have been holding a private ping-pong tournament since Oreoher. Pop's leading by four games in a nose-to-nose competition.

**Bars OR CURVES?**  
 Doc Butt, statistics prof, when explaining charts, graphs, and values in his class on Monday, asked one of his students, "Which is best today, bars or curves?" A unanimous response came from the male section of the class, "Curves."

**Helpful Hint:**  
 The following sign appears in Balford's, local cleaning establishment, "No more credit to Phi Eps."

**Speaking of Basketball:**  
 John Brutzman, ex-COLLEGIAN editor, decided that the Susquehanna quintet were called the Crusaders because they are a lost cause.

**Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight:**  
 Facing the advent of 1500 workmen for the college building project, a meeting was called to consider having a curfew rung each night at ten. After this hour all unescorted women on campus must be safely indoors. But the idea failed—maybe the college decided that the age of defenseless women is past.

**Add 1:**  
 In reference to the "notice" which appeared in the previous OLD MANIA, Bob Baxter receives two letters a day from Washington, D. C. Don Miller's local charm, Harriet Davies, has been checking up on his prospective engagement.

**Briefs:**  
 Eddie Bruno and Bill Cleveland have cooled off with the wintry breezes—likewise, the Fish-Bollinger combination. Jim Jones, triangle, after frequent calls to the Dispensary last week, appeared at the Snowball Dance with the new nurse. It's understood SAE Walt Scott refused Jane Gulick's invitation to Pan-Hell because she called so late. Nice work! Jay Schubert has gained her ultimate, Jerry Workinger's Beta pin.

**India Has a Word For It:**  
 From an authority on the customs of India comes the definition, "Women are like old shoes—wear them as long as they fit and are comfortable, and when they outlive their usefulness, throw them away." Charming simile!

**Time Marches On:**  
 Danny DeMarino, Al Simpson (Theta Xi candidate for May Queen), Bill Dunn, and Al Blair made history Saturday night when escorted by four delta gammas to dinner at no less swanky place than Mac Hall.

**Beware Fraternity Pins:**  
 Janet Story is back in circulation.

**Letter Box**

To the Editor:  
 In reply to the letter of Dave L. Swank, Jr., I should like to explain further the stand taken by the American Student Union in advocating a boycott of Japanese goods. Mr. Swank's arguments are three: first, that the Japanese affair is no business of ours; second, that such a boycott would arouse anti-American feeling in Japan; third, that such a boycott would arouse anti-Japanese feeling in this country. His conclusion is that we are approaching war by such action.

The first point mentioned by Mr. Swank is that advanced by the isolationists. No great knowledge of the present world is required to make one realize that the United States can never be isolated from the surrounding world. As the fascism of Germany, Italy, and Japan spreads, American democracy is menaced. If we stand idly by, watching fascism gain world power, then we shall eventually be forced inevitably into a disastrous war. Now, however, we need employ nothing more serious than an economic boycott, which, in spite of Mr. Swank's statement to the contrary, would effectively stop the present war by tying up the Japanese economic activity. Sixty per cent of Japanese silk is consumed in the U. S. or Great Britain, and silk is Japan's biggest export material. Stoppage of the income from this silk would stop buying of munitions and curtail credit.

As to the second point. Many observers have declared that the Japanese people do not desire this war. It is obvious that the small military clique ruling Japan today is the cause of this war—the people did not. An effective boycott would stop the war in a few months, and the people of Japan would not be sorry.

The third point was well covered by Joe Lash, executive secretary of the ASU, when he said at the recent convention that it was necessary to keep in mind the fact that this boycott was not directed against the Japanese people, but against the fascist military clique who have forced this war upon them. With all propaganda issued in favor of the boycott there must be the above qualification.

Mr. Swank's conclusion, as well as his first statement, rests on a false basis, because America can only keep out of war by keeping war out of the world. It can be done. And there must be internal and international cooperation to do it.

GORDON K. ZERN '40,  
 Chairman, Penn State ASU

**Family School Planned**  
 Plans are now being formulated for the sixth annual School of Family Relationships which will be held here June 13-17. Sponsored by the State Federation of Pennsylvania Women and the College, the four-day conference is designed to aid the family in obtaining full mutual understanding with instruction offered in the relation of the family to society, character building, correction of speech, and other fields.

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**NEEDED—MORE POLICE**

STATE COLLEGE WITH a population of townspeople and students that totals over 11,000 has two regular policemen. When 1,500 workers on the new College building program move into town next month, Burgess Leitzell plans to add another to the force.

In proportion to the amount of money that the building here will pour into the community and in return for the taxes that the residents and fraternity houses here pay—that is cheap and tawdry protection against social disorders and disturbances.

Right now State College could stand more and better-paid policemen for protection. Officers that can pierce the problem of order here deeper than the occasional easy picking up of boys playing football should be provided now. Next month the problem becomes serious and more complex. It becomes one of tact, as well.

The answer the Burgess has given thus far about additional police is one studded with the necessity of raising the tax rate should it be done. Just why this should be necessary is hard to understand. State College is paying for a new water system. But each fraternity alone averages \$600 in taxes to the town each year. Fraternity ledgers will prove that.

With the single item of fraternity support in town in mind, the amount of police protection now is pitiful.

The additional policemen could be kept busy all the time with traffic and parking alone. The College must supply parking areas for all the workers' cars while the work is being done. But the College cannot control where the worker is going to park his car at night.

Surely the added wealth and prosperity that State College is about to receive and will continue to receive as the student enrollment increases is worthy of a small investment to protect and preserve that prosperity in its making.

An overworked and possibly underpaid police force laboring under crises such as two such social groups in State College will create cannot hope to spend much care in tactfully handling its duties should trouble arise. The borough administration has been none too strong in the past when tact was needed.

Burgess Leitzell, think of the necessity of protecting the increased welfare that has been provided your taxpayers. Give them more policemen to safeguard that growth.

**RACE PREJUDICE**

WE STUDENTS HERE at Penn State think we have come a long way in being broad-minded compared to many colleges of our size and scope. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples is conducting a survey that will prove to us just how far advanced we are.

This group of young colored people here has prepared a questionnaire that has been given to classes in psychology and sociology. Blanks are available at the Student Union desk for those wishing to fill them out. The questions that are asked will clearly show what students here think about their colored neighbors.

Let us hope that we shall have proof of our conviction that we are broad-minded here, and that we shall help and respect this group of people who are definitely striving toward a position that democracy is said to insure.

IT WAS INTERESTING to note the death of the Ludlow war referendum amendment in the nation's capital the other day. To be sure it offered inconveniences to diplomatic and international prestige. To be sure it was undesirable in many aspects. But, as a pure example of democracy in our law-making, its fate throws a clear light upon the actual amount of democracy there is in the enactment of federal statutes.

**Co-Edits**

Lillian Etters '35, Chi Omega alumna, announced her marriage to George Foster '37, a Sigma Nu.

Caroline Etters '36, also a Chi Omega, married Robert Tilden recently.

Lucille Z. Giles '38 announced her engagement to Prentiss Wilson '37.

Alexandra M. Tillson '38 married Dr. W. F. Taylor, assistant in mechanical engineering, last Tuesday in Cumberland, Md.

W. S. G. A. has announced that its formal dance will be held in Rec Hall March 18. The dances will be formal and is open to all women students.

Jean Schantz '37, last year's president of Panhellenic council, is spending this week with her Theta sisters.

Delta Gamma and Phi Mu will really entertain their dates for Panhellenic Ball. Both houses plan to have buffet suppers after the dance.

Sarah E. Kelson '40, Melissa Minnich '39, Mary O'Connor '40, and Ann M. Yeager '40 will be initiated into Delta Gamma tomorrow afternoon.

**FELINE**

Although many of us have studied a foreign language, it is surprising to discover how tongue-tied we become when it comes to speaking it. If we discontinue the language for a semester or two we find that we retain only a hazy recollection of the vocabulary which we once knew. As classes in foreign languages are devoted to learning verb forms and translating there is little opportunity to experiment in conversation.

Other colleges have solved the problem by speaking foreign languages in the dining commons. This could be arranged in MacAllister hall before the seating arrangement for next semester has been planned. The idea has appealed to several women who have said that they would enjoy sitting at a French table, headed by a student majoring in the language, who would be qualified to lead the conversation.

The tables would be open to anyone who would be interested in brushing up on a foreign language. We believe that it would be an excellent opportunity to practice conversation, and would be particularly helpful to students who are having difficulty in passing their attainment test. In order that we can find out how many students would be interested in sitting at a French, German, or Spanish table, we are posting a questionnaire on the MacAllister hall bulletin board Monday.

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**265 Men And Women Take Wasserman Test**

Wasserman tests have been given to 265 men and women students by the College Health service since the statewide campaign against syphilis began here last Thursday. The statistics include tests given up until Tuesday.

The high point was reached Tuesday when 97 specimens were taken; 88 tests were given Monday; 41 Saturday; 38 Friday; and 1 Thursday.

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