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## LET'S MAKE IT A THOROUGH JOB

TOMORROW NIGHT the graduating seniors will

Choice seems to have dwindled down to murals for Old Main or a nine-unit multiple observatory. There are other projects, including flagpoles for New Beaver Field, a recreation cabin, and a permanent library book fund, which may be reckoned with. But the primary topic for discussion undoubtedly will be murals versus

Now throughout the past few months the Collegian has advocated murals for Old Main. The Collegian has attempted to point out the worthness and the value of such a project. The Collegian has contended that the painting of murals on the walls of the main stairway and the second floor balcony of Old Main would tend to humanize the otherwise cold and blank interior, that it would bring to the numerous students in art courses a close hand view of contemporary mural painting; that it would bring to the College statewide and even nationwide prestige, especially in view of the fact that Henry Varnum Poor, one of the world's outstanding muralists, has indicated his willingness to do the work; and that, most of all, it would serve as a lasting tribute to the College, retaining its esthetic appeal and its cultural value throughout the years.

But the Collegian does not in any way wish to be

dogmatic. The Collegian realizes there is more than one side to this question.

Of whatever value the murals might be to art students here, certainly the multiple observatory of equal value to students of astronomy. Furthermore, according to present plans, the observatory also would-be utilized for class lectures, thus adding to its practical benefits.

As for College prestige, certainly the multiple observatory would not be a Mount Wilson, but it would be unique in that it would include nine senarate units. open day and night, built largely by the College's own new telescone-making laboratory, and sharing statewide and nationwide recognition with the leading astronomical observatories. In fact, the Board of Trustees already has approved the project in principle, with only the lack of money holding back its actual launching.

The observatory as a whole would cost an estimated \$3,000, or \$1,000 per unit. According to present plans, it would be incorporated as a part of the new arboretum scheduled to be built by the College east of the East Drive, north of the Women's Activities Building and across from Grange Dormitory and the Infirmary. On the other hand, it is expected that the cost of murals also would approximate the cost of the observatories. So we come to a point where the choice may have to

be made purely on personal grounds.

The drawback in both instances, meanwhile, seems to be the fact that the gift fund which the class of '38 has at its disposal will cover only about one-third of the cost of either project. The present senior class now has a little over \$4,500 in its treasury, but the commendable move to supply caps and gowns free of charge for the graduation ceremonies this year will make a substantial dent in that amount.

There is a way, however, in which either of the projects can be completely financed. This could be made possible through the common pooling of funds by the class of "38 with the class of "32.

The class of '32 now has a memorial fund totaling the form of fifty-dollar student loans, but all of which can in due time be collected. What's more, the class of 32 has indicated its willingness to pool its gift money with the class of '38 in an effort to make it a thorough

Last June the President of the College appointed a committee of the class of '32 to select a gift. That committee, it is understood, is ready to make its choice coon. In fact, proponents of three plans-murals, multiple observatory, and permanent library book fund-will present their cases before the committee when it meets later in the week.

With so much at stake, it would seem inadvisable to move too hastily. Despite the fact the school year is drawing to a hastened close, there is still sufficient time left for another senior class meeting at which time a final decision could be made,

In view of these circumstances, the Collegian sin-cerely hopes that the seniors will find it advisable tomorrow night to postpone final selection of a class gift until the gift committee of the class of '38 can get together with the gift committee of the class of '32, together hear the proposals discussed pro and con, to-gether weigh the merits of the proposals, then together decide upon a gift that would not only reflect credit upon the classes but one which would serve the great-

nefit to the greatest number of persons. While we're at it, let's make a thorough job of it.

# **OLD MANIA**

### Did They Knock?:

This note was on the door of the room at 148 West Prospect occupied by the junior prom imports of Fred Schwartz and John Geuner, phi sigma kappas:

who would like to meet you personally. Two of us live in the room to your left, the other, a handsome blonde, lives above your Would you consider a 'rendezvous' with us tonight? We will be waiting in our suites. Knock on

ir door," . The note was signed by: <u>Kermit Bird,</u> Walter Weiss, Sanford Brown, Kenneth Stoner, Thomas Scott, and Eddie Catlin.

### As Others See Us:

Two of our more crudite workmen were having an argument while working in the Front Campus dug-. Said the more enraged to the other, "You dope! You're as dumb as these college hoys."

### Rhapsody in Green:

A green little chemist Mixed some green little chemicals In a green little way

The green little grasses Now tenderly wave On the green little chemist's Green little grave. Thunks to—Illini Campus Scoul

## Two Beers, Please:

Scotty Rankin, an aspiring O'Neill in Prof. Cloetingh's course in playwriting, wrote a gem of a play, set in the Rathskeller. Prize erack-Boy says to girl, "Do you or don't you?" She answers, "No, I don't usually but since you've convinced me, I will.'

#### Standing Room Only:

With rumors flying around of seven o'clocks in the morning and classes until nine at night next semester, Maniae visualizes Ray Watkins scheduling phys. ed. classes for the Beaver field washrooms, engineering classes opposite M. I. in Matt Hall, Music 61 in Old Main Tower, and Cathaum 330 in the new Bullpen.

### This Younger Generation:

Lurbara Bowes, Student Union cutie, was asked to comperone a weekend cabin party of high school youngsters—seven couples of them. The cubin conpisted of one room with two beds.

### Two on the Terrace:

These spring days the love birds have come out of hibernation and scatter themselves across Old Main Terrace. Some couples pull off mush scenes that rival movie stuff. They get back in the corner but forget the offices have windows. Worst offenders are Frances Lowden and Bob Graves.

## Monopoly on Monotony:

An old grad of Theta Xi, in answer to a plea for news of alumni in the chapter paper, wrote:

"No change in address during past year. No change in job during past year. No change in salary during past year.

No change in family during past year. Taxes have increased until there is no change in my pocket."

## Prom Goings-On:

Stodgy Irv Supow, soph flop co-chairman, sympathizes with Jimmy Glunt now that the ball is over... Let Kabibble and the Ritz Brothers carried the weekend ... Kyser pulled the same gags when he was here for Senior ball three years ago...but the band's smooth dance music and the uncrowded floor made it the best dance of the year ... Bea Quinn had the nicest looking ankles—the only ones you could see ... what pie eyed freshman paged the McClure over the amplifier?...he's been trying hard to get a date ... Joe Dobbs, Players' prize lover, has a part in the new show that calls for an expert drunk act...promgoers saw a dress rehenraal.



## IT'S A CRUEL WORLD

NO MATTER HOW STERLING YOUR IN-NATE CHARACTER MAY BE, YOU WILL INEVITABLY DE UNNOTICED AND UN-APPRECIATED BY MANY PEOPLE UNLESS YOUR OUTWARD APPEARANCE DOES YOU JUSTICE, THERE IS, HOWEVER, THIS COMFORTING THOUGHT: FOR AT MOD-EST PRICES YOU MAY ALWAYS DEPEND UPON JACK HARPER WARDROBE ACCES-SORIES TO SPEAK UP STRONGLY IN YOUR BEHALF.

JACK HARPER

STARK BROS. & HARPER

HABERDASHERS

SPEN EVENINGS

## Alpha Chi Omega Wins Women's Debate Title

Discussing the topic "What Should Be the Woman's Attitude Toward Marriage?", the Alpha Chi Omega's defeated the Kappa Alpha Theta's in the women's intramural debate finals last week.

Members of the two teams were: Alpha Chi Omega—Dorothy A, Clark 238 and Vera L. Kemp '41; Kappa Alpha Theta—Ruth K. Kistler '41 and Elinor L. Weaver '41.

This was the sixth annual debate sponsored by Delta Alpha Delta, women's speech honorary. Beulah F. Gerheim '39 and Florence V. Watkins '39 were co-chairmen of the contest, adjudicated by Betty Bell, Clayton H. Schue distribution of the contest, adjudicated by Betty Bell, Clayton H. Schug, division of speech, and Herbert D. McAuliffe, graduate studen

## Letter Box

### Honoraries Given. Benefit Of Doub!

To The Editor:
I've just read your editorial entitled
"Justify Your Existence," and I must "Justify Your Existence," and a more congratulate your paper for the fearless attitude which it has taken toless attit ward the campus honor societies. I know from first-hand knowledge that at least one of the societies fears its day of doom is near.

Winners Of M. M. Harris Poetry Award To Receive Books From Local Stores

The Committee on the M. M. Har-Taxation Commission.

He received his M. A. from Corthouse, William E. Reilly, David S. that, in addition to the \$10 cash nell in 1923 and his Ph. D. in 1930. Welsch, and L. Craig White.

Through the courtesy of the Kee-

da Theta, national women's professional education fraternity, last Tuesday.

Those inducted were Doris Blakemore, Evelyn L. Boger, Ruth Burrage, Fern V. Danielson; Marjorie F. Davies, Italia A. DeAngelis, Carolyn L. Boger, Ruth Burrage, Fern V. Danielson; Marjorie F. Davies, Italia A. DeAngelis, Carolyn L. Molimock, Gladys Z. Dupstadt, Vivian S. Doty, Ida E. Harner, Ruth E. Huston, Alice B. Italian Bricker, Louise A. Haines, Dora E. Louise A. Haines, Dora E. Louise A. Haines, Dora E. Louys, Carolyn L. McConnell, June C. Price, Verna Pursell, Jean Rishel, and Dorothea W. Silfes.

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## Honored At Dinner



DR. ERWIN W. RUNKLE

# Retiring Faculty Feted At Dinner

Professors' Group

In the recent past I've seen the Col-legian go off half-cocked on this same frederick P. Weaver, and Professors issue and then drop the whole thing Paul B. Breneman and Susan A. Por-

# Mrs. Porterfield Retirement Recalls Nation-wide Publicity

Porterfield's retirement from the College faculty.

When Mrs. Porterfield, assistant professor of Spanish, and her son, lenry, both members of the class of '23, were graduated in the spring of that

## Co-Edits

Blakely, Theta; and Sally Shambach, Jean Kent '37, and Dorothy Carey

Jean Kent 37, and Borothy Carey 177, Chi O. Alice "Nicky" Nixon '37, Kappa, and Levan "Van" Linton '37, Chi Phi, were married at the former's home in State College Saturday morning.

# Societies Select 100 Active Men

ne was affiliated with the agricultur-al extension department.

President Hoover appointed him to ing John E. Barr, Alfred P. Boileau, the Committee on Taxation in Berne F. Cramer, Raymond H. Ed. 1931. In 1932 Governor Pinchot named gar, Van A. Hartman, Walter R. him to the Mineral and Forest Land Hosterman, Harlan P. Hostetter, Eilmann Commission.

For Runners-up of a class of 327. From 1915 to 1925 Frank W. Stanko, Thomas E. Vargo, and Malcolm Weinstein.

## UNDER THE COLLEGIATE SPOTLIGHT

Through the courtesy of the Keeler Book Store, the committee will present a volume of the collected posens of E. E. Cummings. The Athletic Store will contribute a copy of the Oxford edition of Shakespeare's works. At least one other prize will be donated by interested supporters.

The Harris Award was created last year by the department of English composition in honor of Prof. M. M. Iflarris, who, during his twenty years with the College, organized classes in with the College, organized classes in the College, organized classes in the College of the Colle

Iflarris, who, during his twenty years with the College, organized classes in the writing of poetry. Professor Harris retired last June.

Entries will close on Friday noon with Mr. Roethke, department of Colgate Maroon): "Spring. And the English composition. The prize poem will appear in the Collegian next Tuesday.

22 Juniors Initiated

By Pi Lambda Theta

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Georgia and Georgia School of Technology, together with 14 other state universities, are asking the Court to orule against the Federal admissions tax for athletic contests sponsored by state institutions.

The IL S Assessment of Technology, together with the party which represented, among others, the president of a Maryland hosiery mill, a psychiatrist, several college professors, a mechanic, and a mill worker

An unusual situation which enjoyed nation-wide publicity upon its occur-ance here in 1923 is recalled with the recent announcement of Mrs. Suzan A.

tyear, newspapers and pictorial maga-zines from Maine to California car-ried stonies of the novel circumstance —a mother and son completing col-lege courses in the same year and at the same institution.

Delta Gammo initiated Mary Elizabeth Flock '39, Marion F. Eberly '40, M. Cordelia Beach '41, Jeanne Clark '41, Marjory A. Harwick '41, and Betty A. Rahn '41.

Eukratia, new women's fraternity, iritiated R. Dawn Hardes '39, Dorothee L. Secrist '40, Ruth E. Wagner '40, and Dorothy E. Wilson '40. Zella M. Wood '38, Doro E. Harner '39, Bessie J. Igoe '39, and D. Jane Boller '41) were pledged last week.

Weekend guests at women's houses were: Martha Shaner '37, Alpha Chi; Jean Krieble '37 and Helen and Jean Blikely, Theta; and Sally Shambach, Jeverfield has taught Stanish in the

She received the Buchelor of Arts degree in modern language and lit-erature and was 42 years old when she was graduated. Since then Mrs. Porterfield has taught Spanish in the Romance Language department here.

## off the records

The long-awaited Krupa recordings have arrived. Branswick presents Gene Krupa and his orchestra, with Helen Ward doing the vocals. The sax section stands out be 1, although In the recent must I've seen the College and they are freshing. He will be a first of the whole thing and they are freshing. The collegian.

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The King of Corn has recorded "The Gypsy in My Soul" and "One More Dream" with Wayne Gregg and the Bennett Sisters on the respective vocals. Clyde McCoy seems to have reached his peak when he recorded the amortal "Sugar Blues," however, listen to this new one. It's different!

## Bell Elects Kulp '39 As Business Manager

John C. Kulp '39 was named business manager of the Bell replacing Robert Robinson '41, resigned, at elections held Thursday. Advertising

nanager for the literary publication s John A. Wenger '39. Others selected were Morton C. Se-Others selected were Morton C. Sevei '40, assistant advertising manager; Doris L. Jones '39 and Erma J. Edwards '39, co-circulation managers; and Charlotte W. Devers '40, A. William Engel, Jr. '40, Virginia Kearns '39, Elmer F. Linberg '40, and Freda K. Sare '41, members of associate hybripses, shourd iate business board.

## Oxford 'Houseparty' Held Over Weekend

Representatives of 12 colleges and universities attended a week-end "houseparty" here, sponsored by the Oxford Group, newly-founded reli-

rious movement. Prof. C. Arthur Bonine, head of