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**German Strategy Begins To Change The English Picture**

Germany, apparently, has found its most effective weapon in the war with England in the methodical raids through which it is devastating the industrial midlands town by town.

Since those paralyzing raids began with the devastation of Coventry we have noted the sure signs of British weakening. Because England is no longer able to build new bottoms fast enough her sea losses have reached the critical stage.

The British censor has suddenly become obnoxious in his flare for blacking out even the most obvious facts. The British claims are beginning to have something of the clear, empty ring that previously we attributed to Germany in the accounts of the air battle.

As Britain fails, our own day of reckoning is drawing nearer. We know now what we did not know at the start of this war, that Britain's war is our war.

What has been said here before is becoming clearer now as Britain's situation turns critical. That, if once we enter this war, we will be sorry we had not entered sooner.

We will be sorry that we allowed Britain to drop almost to the bottom before we moved to pull her up.

We will recognize that in waiting we have only made our own job harder.

**Silence From The Borough**

What the borough authorities are thinking about the parking regulations—unless it be nothing—is hard to divine from the discussion at borough council meeting Monday night. Nothing was said.

Nothing was said. Yet the borough itself has condemned the present parking situation because it is impossible to get fire engines through the streets in the early morning hours without serious hazard.

Nothing was said. Yet the borough continues to allow parking on both sides of a great many streets in violation of the law.

Nothing was said. Yet the borough is tolerating a nuisance that could be cleared up by simply passing a new statute.

People who have cars must park them. Unfortunately, cars won't fold up or evaporate when they are not wanted. A lot of the 700 student owners have no suitable parking spaces nearby. The same is true of a lot of townspeople. As a result they have left their cars in the streets overnight. The borough, recognizing the necessity, has tolerated the violations. Now, however, the authorities are seeking to clear up the dangers the situation creates.

One of the worst aspects of the present safety drive is that it makes possible a selective crusade—fining some violators but not others.

How the borough would do this, how it would expect to see its victims pay off quietly while others are intentionally passed over is something Collegian does not understand.

If it were to use seriousness of the violation instead of personal like or dislike as the basis for the arrests the situation might be tolerated were it not for one fact: The whole thing is unnecessary.

It is unnecessary because parking on one side of the narrower streets—which can be accomplished by a borough ordinance—would immediately clear up the situation. Fire engines would be left with plenty of room, students and townspeople could park their cars without inconvenience, the constant threat of fines would be removed from conscientious car-owners, and the borough would have an enforceable law. It might even catch a violator from time to time.

**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

**TODAY:**  
Campus '44 party meets in 405 Old Main, 7 p.m.  
Women's rifle club meets in Room 2, White Hall, 8:30 p.m.  
Mrs. Harriet Nesbitt will speak at the Wednesday Reading in Room 402, Library, 4:15 p.m.  
PSCA Cabinet meets in 304 Old Main, 8:15 p.m.  
IMA Central Council meets at the Lions' Club, 7 p.m.  
Talk, "Tuberculosis and Its Prevention," Schwab Auditorium, 7 p.m.  
Druids meet in 418 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.  
Independent Party '43 meets in 318 Old Main, 7:15 p.m.  
G. L. Rishell, chief factory engineer of the Hygrade Sylvania Radio Tube Corporation will speak at the regular meeting of the Electrical Engineering Society in Room 110, EE Building, 8 p.m.  
PSCA Service Committee meets in 304 Old Main, 8:15 p.m.  
PSCA Cabin Retreat Committee meets in 304 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.  
Second semester fee deferment blanks are now available at the Bursar's Office. Deadline for application is January 7.  
Student Artists' tickets on sale at AA window starting at 8 a.m.  
Tour of new astronomical instruments laboratory and lecture-demonstration conducted by Dr. Henry L. Yeagley in Room 103, Physics Building, 7 p.m. Third in Alpha Nu lecture series.  
Candidates for assistant manager of ski meet in Rec Hall, 4 p.m.  
Wrestling practice starts in Rec Hall, 4 p.m.

**TOMORROW:**  
Faculty-townspeople Artists' Course tickets on sale at AA window.  
Grange meeting in Room 405, Old Main, 7 p.m.  
College Senate meets in Room 121, Liberal Arts, 4:10 p.m.  
Liberal Arts Student Council meets in 318 Old Main, 7 p.m.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**—Cassius, who usually writes his "Lean and Hungry Look" in this column every Wednesday, has been confined by illness since Thanksgiving. Health permitting, he will be back next Wednesday.

**NIBBLING AT THE NEWS**

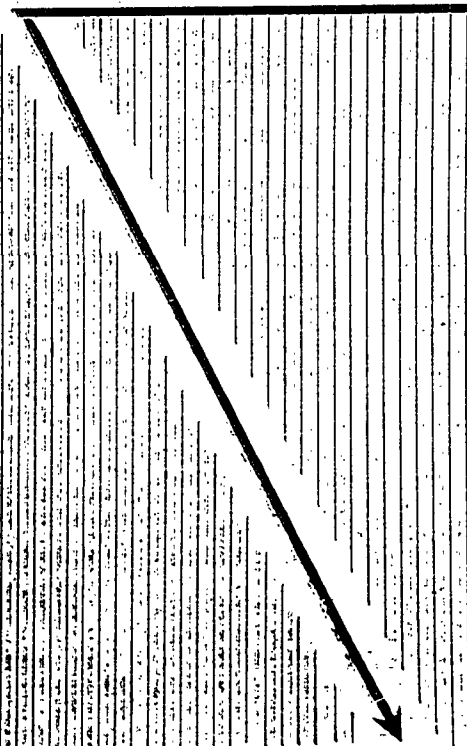
Ralph W. Barnes is the name. How many people have heard or read of that name, and how many who have, remembered or even particularly noticed it? Very probably few have, for that name has appeared few times, and then in tiny, light-face 'by-lines.'

Ralph W. Barnes was only one of the many foreign correspondents, who, for the past year or so, have been dashing about war-torn Europe, in the places of greatest activity—and danger. That's where the big stories are.

He was one of the men who have been and are working night and day, risking their lives to obtain accurate and interesting news of the war for American readers who, upon reading that news, slap down their papers in disgust and yip, like hurt puppies, "Why can't they tell us what's really going on in Europe?"

We use the past tense in speaking of Mr. Barnes, for he was killed in the crash of a British bombing plane Monday. After a 10-year, colorful career as foreign correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune, this American reporter went to his death as much in the line of duty as any soldier.

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- TIME—Friday, Dec. 6—9 to 12
- PLACE—Armory
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- PRICE—\$1.00 Per Couple
- MUSIC—The Campus Owls

Note!—Cast Your Ballot For The Harvest Ball Queen At Student Union.