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Completing The Mural

If three students out of 489 who voted for the senior class gift had changed their minds, the \$5,000 to be given away by the class would have gone to murals instead of a loan fund.

Now that the loan fund is provided for, let's find a way to take care of the murals.

Collegian before the election did not feel the desire to take sides because it was (and still is) satisfied that both gifts were deserving and met the important requirements of (1) being within range of the class funds, and (2) being provided with proper and prompt execution.

The closeness of the vote indicates, however, the interest students are taking in the mural. It would be unfortunate if the opinions of three students should have determined that the Penn State mural was never to be completed.

This, of course, is not in the minds of those men who worked for years to have the mural started and are now working to have it completed. They plan to have it completed some way, but how?

Mr. Poor will not always be available to Penn State. By waiting too long, the College may lose him altogether.

The removal of the senior gift, took away the most immediate prospect of having the mural completed. There are other ways available, certainly, but none of them are as close at hand as was the senior gift.

The one best prospect Collegian sees for having Poor continue his mural now is to have him appointed to the College faculty as an artist in residence.

This would cost the College his salary for two or three years and that's all. Collegian thinks that investment would be a good one from several standpoints: (1) it would add to the faculty another and very attractive famous name; (2) it would increase the prestige of the College with its students and with outsiders; and (3) it would provide painlessly for the completion of a project which is one of the most outstanding the College has undertaken in the cultural field. A true university should contribute to as well as pass down culture. Penn State has done little enough of the former.

Whether or not the College decides to adopt this plan depends on whether it thinks the \$10,000 or \$15,000 would be better invested in Poor than it would in some other enterprise. The College is never without a pocket from which it can pay for something really necessary. Collegian thinks the mural is necessary enough and it believes further that a great many students and faculty agree

"During the past two decades our universities have suffered from a negative complex; our faculties have analyzed issues and balanced factors; they have exposed the follies and the vices of historical figures and movements; they have not emerged with a positive philosophy to which students and public might attach themselves. There is justice in the complaint of the undergraduate that his academic experience had not provided him with a faith." President Charles Seymour of Yale University points to a fault in the higher educational structure.



LION TALES

(The opinions expressed in this column do not necessarily reflect the editorial policy of The Daily Collegian.)

A Draftee's Lament

Dear Fellows:

This army life is great stuff. It hasn't been bad so far, but I never know what I have to do next. I came to Fort Meade about midnight Tuesday. When I arrived I was given a meal and then put to bed. The sergeant tucked me in about one o'clock and everything was lovely.

After I got in bed I closed my eyes, rolled over once, and it was time to get up (6:30). I missed the freshmen annoying me. I was going to tell them to put me down for eleven o'clock, but I thought maybe they wouldn't appreciate that. After I got up I got washed and made my bed according to army regulation. I'm telling you, they are damned particular about how you dress up those cots. You can't have a wrinkle in it. I was stiff all over from sleeping on the damn thing—the first time I ever got stiff sleeping.

Well, after I finished playing with my little cot, it was time for breakfast. The food is very good, you can get all you want. The only trouble is that they sock it on your plate and by the time you get to the end of the line, the plate looks like a dish of Thrivo dog food. The cup for water or coffee is so strong it picks you up and carries you away.

After breakfast we had to take classification tests and were then given tags to hang around our necks—that's in case you get lost you can walk up to someone and say "Here I am. How do I get to where I should be?"

This morning we were up again at 6:30, nursed our beds into readiness and were off to breakfast. After breakfast we had a half hour of calisthenics. I really didn't need the exercise, but I did it. After the exercise we had a little drill for a few hours, ten men to a sergeant. Ten minutes of drill and he had me showing the other nine men how to execute the commands. He said (quote) "This fellow had only ten minutes drill and see how he executes the commands, you bunch of lame brains." Who was I to tell him I had had ROTC? He didn't ask me.

After dinner we had company drill for a few more hours and then a lecture on sex, something very interesting. We were then read the laws of the army. They did a good job on those laws—they didn't forget a thing. After we heard the laws it was time for a rest. I rested until supper time and after supper began to write letters. I go on guard duty tomorrow from 3 a. m. to 6 a. m.

Excuse the pencil, but you can't buy a hell of a lot of ink for \$21 a month.

Smokey.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Collegian senior editorial board. Important. Room 313 Old Main, 8 p. m.

Collegian freshman editorial candidates. Room 312 Old Main, 7 p. m.

Collegian junior editorial board. Room 313 Old Main, 4 p. m.

Informal history meeting, Room 305 Old Main, 7 p. m. Dr. Pundt will lead a discussion on "The Far East."

Student Union dance, Armory, 4 p. m.

PSCA Freshman Council dance committee, Room 304 Old Main, 4 p. m.

PSCA Forty Forum and Freshman Council joint meeting to hear Miss Eunice King of the Student Volunteer Movement, 7 p. m.

PSCA World Reconstruction Seminar, Home Economics Auditorium, 8 p. m. Speaker: Dr. Ernst Meyer, professor at Bucknell U. and former member of German embassy staff in Washington.

TOMORROW

Ag Ec Club meets at Sigma Phi Alpha, 7:30 p. m. Dr. R. A. Dutcher will speak.

Student-Union Dance, Armory, 4 p. m.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Room 107 Main Engineering, 7 p. m. R. R. Cleland, State College borough engineer, will talk on "Water Supply."

INFIRMARY CASES

A checkup last night revealed that 14 students are confined in the College Infirmary. They are Laurance Lightbody '43, Leonard I. Leventhal '44, Howard E. Kugel '44, German measles; John M. Graff '43, George E. Espy '43, Virginia M. Seltzer '43, Norman H. Gnagey '44, mumps; Robert Mezey '42, N. Loreen Hughes '44, Janice M. Owen '41, Martha Jayne, graduate, Malcolm S. Weir '43, Alan I. Brunstein '44, observation; Martin H. Fritch '42, grippe.

Glee Club Leaves

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after the concert the Glee Club will leave for New Scott High School in East Orange, New Jersey, where they will give a concert sponsored by the Northern New Jersey Alumni.

The last concert of the trip will be given in the Grand Ball Room of the Hotel New Yorker at 8:30 Friday evening under the auspices of the New York City Alumni. There is a possibility that the Glee Club may broadcast on the Fred Waring program. The singers will leave New York City at 8:30 a. m. Saturday for State College.

Samuel Gallu '40 will accompany the club as tenor soloist and Andrew Szekely '43 will be the piano soloist.

Students making the trip are: First tenors—Richard Bittner '41, Hartwell Blake, graduate, Irwin Curry '43, Richard Eckert '41, Arden Emerick '41, Robert Frank '44, Harold Hablett '42, William Lundelius '43, James McAdam '42, Edward Roberts '44, Arthur Seides '41, and Henry Simon '41.

Second tenors—Boyd Bell '42, William Christoffers '43, Garth Dietrick '42, Alfred Gilbert '42, Les Hetenyi '41, William Kirkpatrick '41, Herbert Osmon '41, and Harry Vosburg '43.

Baritones—Samuel Crabtree '41, Harold Farver '44, John Harkins '41, James Leyden '42, Jack Mahoney '42, William Minshall '43, William Nesbitt '42, Augustus Swope '42, and Albert Zimmer '42.

Basses—Harold Doran '42, George Dorrance '44, Kenneth Farver '41, George Halbig '41, George Kline '42, Jack McHugh '41, Walter Polak '43, Robert Serating '41, Andrew Szekely '43, and Richard Vollmer '42.

Nibbling At The News

With ROBERT LANE

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Berlin Signs A (30)

Judging from recent difficulties of the 30 American correspondents in Berlin, an R.A.F. raid must be a pleasant relief in comparison to the Hell that foreign newspapermen are enduring in Germany these days.

The arrest of Richard Hottellet of the United Press on an espionage charge in Berlin on Saturday has been the most brazen act yet committed by the Nazis. In the past when a correspondent's pen dripped ink about something which was supposed to be a secret, he was promptly ejected from Germany. The Gestapo packed his baggage for him and escorted the culprit to the German border.

Such cases are numerous in the righteous Reich. Beach Conger and Ralph Barnes of the New York Herald Tribune, and veteran Otto Tolischus of the New York Times discovered that the quickest way to get across the German boundary was to publish facts about the dealings of Mr. Hitler and his colleagues.

However, Hottellet has encountered a different fate. Early Saturday morning six of the Gestapo arrived at the writer's room in Berlin and forcibly requested his presence at police headquarters. At present he is confined in one of the modern Nazi hoozergows pending a hearing.

The most interesting story which has developed out of detention of Hottellet concerns a plumber who visited the correspondent's room to fix the sink. On meeting the Gestapo, the craftsman glanced at the sink, which was overflowing like water over a dam, and faster than it was possible to say Heil without the Hitler, the plumber disappeared.

Any doubt that ever existed concerning the feeling of the German officials toward the United States has been dispelled by the circumstances which surrounded Hottellet's arrest. To say that it is now outrightly antagonistic would be putting it mildly.

From the entire affair one fact is self-evident, the days of foreign correspondents in Berlin are numbered. The time is rapidly approaching when they will be handed a prepared release each day, and that will be all they will be permitted to send to the United States.

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