

Air Raid Wardens Inspecting All Campus Buildings

Though the possibility of air raids on the College may seem slight to most students, air raid wardens are inspecting every campus building for its vulnerability to bombs and for all its available exits, it was revealed yesterday.

Chief wardens William G. Edwards, professor of lumbering, and Walter W. Trainer, supervisor of landscaping, have been placed directly in charge of nearly 40 air raid wardens whose duty it will be to sound emergency alarms for the entire campus and direct everyone to safety.

The Air Raid Warden Committee is a part of the large Committee on Protection headed by George W. Ebert, superintendent of grounds and buildings. Charles Lamm, assistant superintendent of grounds and buildings, and Walter H. Wiegand, draftsman for the college, are also members of the committee.

Ebert said that the Air Raid Warden Committee has secured defense data from British cities and towns which have been under Nazi bombardment. The committee will apply the safety factor for campus use.

He said that the British found the basement and first floor centers of buildings to be the safest. They claim that buildings are nearly always dangerous on the second and third floors in air raids. Demolition bombs rarely reach first floor of the basement.

However, the Air Raid Committee has admitted that it has a difficult problem in the case of buildings with skylights. Buildings of that type on the campus are Schwab Auditorium, Rec Hall, and White Hall.

The function of the air raid wardens will be to evacuate second and third floors of buildings upon moment's notice of an air attack. Alarms will be installed at convenient points as soon as the necessary equipment can be obtained.

Library Owns Unique Bibles

Including a famous religious book published in 1746 and a reprint of pages from Gutenberg's Bible printed in 1465, the College Library has a large and unique collection of Bibles and other religious volumes.

The 1748 publication was called the Martyr Book and is the most famous publication of the Ephrata Press, operated by the Brotherhood monks for 50 or 60 years.

According to Willard P. Lewis, college librarian, copies of the Martyr Book were issued with and without the frontispiece to members of all Pennsylvania German sects. The copy owned by the College contains the frontispiece known as "The Bloody Lecture," and objected to by the Anabaptists because of a baptismal scene which they did not approve.

Alumni Give Dance

Susquehanna County alumni of Penn State are sponsoring their annual All-College Holiday Dance to be held in the Montrose Inn, Montrose, Pa., on Friday, December 26. Don Mapes' Orchestra of Pottsville has been signed to play for the event. Students in the surrounding area are invited. Dress will be semi-formal.

Daily Collegian Edits Final Issue Of 1941

This issue of The Daily Collegian will be the last until after the Christmas vacation. The first issue of 1942 will be published on Wednesday morning, January 7.

The Christmas vacation will officially start at 11:50 a. m. Saturday and continue until 8 a. m. Monday, January 5. There will be three weeks of classes after the vacation until final examinations.

With this final issue of 1941, The Daily Collegian wishes the students and faculty of the College a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,"—a trite, but very appropriate phrase.

War Bulletins—

Senate Lowers Draft Age To 19

WASHINGTON — The Senate agreed with the House on the 18 to 64 registering clause of the new Selective Service Act, but voted to lower the draft age to 19 and raise it to 44 by an almost unanimous vote of 78-2. This action will necessitate the meeting of a joint Senate-House committee to reach a decision on the law.

LISBON — Portugal, who has successfully avoided war during the past two years, was inadvertently forced into the war last night by the British and Dutch occupation of the island of Timor, near the eastern extreme of the Dutch East Indies. The Portuguese legislature called a special session for today to discuss the latest Allied move.

MOSCOW — Latest Russian reports stated that the mid-winter offensive of the Red army is still moving ahead along the whole Russo-German front with successful advances to within 30 miles of the Nazi held city of Tula. Other successes were reported at the Crimean seaport of Sevastopol where land troops and artillery were landed to help the besieged defenders.

CLEVELAND — Billy Soose, 178, former middleweight champion in New York State, decisively outpointed Jimmy Reeves, 169, in his first light-heavyweight bout. The fight lasted the full ten rounds despite the fact that Soose had Reeves in trouble and down for a short count in one of the early rounds.

LONDON — The Allied forces are forming a supreme command for all military affairs in a meeting at Moscow, it was reported by reliable British forces. Secretary of State Hull denied however that any American representatives (Continued on Page Four)

Neusbaum Names Large Cast Of 28 For Players Show

A large cast of 28 students for "The Taming of the Shrew," next production of the Penn State Players, was announced yesterday by Director Frank S. Neusbaum, professor of dramatics. The Shakespearean comedy will be presented on February 13 and 14.

The 13 principals will be: James J. Ambandos '44 as Tranio; Harold Chidnoff '45, Biondello; Eleanor M. Freedman '44, the widow; Elinor F. Herrman '42, Katherine; Robert H. Herrman '44, Baptist.

Jean E. Hershberger '43, Bianca; Leonard Notis '44, Lucentio; Howard J. Oppenheimer '44, Grumio; James W. Payne '45, Hortensio; Harold J. Raab '42, Christopher Sly; Stanley E. Shaw '45, Gremio; Charles R. Tanguy '43, the Lord; and Donald R. Taylor '42, Petruchio.

Other parts in the play will be filled by Walter J. Bartschat '45 as Petruchio's servant; Claire Besden '45, Lord's servant; Rose Broderick '44, Bianca's attendant; Rozanne M. Brooks '45, Lord's servant; Robert W. Bruce Jr. '45, first huntsman; Don Cianfarini '45, tailor; Nathan M. Cohen '44, Vincentio; Marion C. Dougherty '44, Curtis.

Donald K. Fisher '45, Petruchio's servant; Virginia E. Manley '45, Bianca's attendant; Harvey S. Miller '45, the pedant; Marie N. Parker '45, Lord's servant; Harry E. Peibly '45, second huntsman; Sid (Continued on Page Two)

Carnegie Hall Ready For Use February 1

Completely renovated, Carnegie Hall, formerly the old College Library, will be ready for use February 1, it was announced yesterday by George W. Ebert, superintendent of grounds and buildings.

Because the building will be used chiefly for music on the main floors, special acoustics have been placed to make the rooms sound-proof.

The quality of the material used and the skill in which it was placed will probably make the acoustical qualities of the building among the best in the state, Ebert said.

Watts Hall Gives Dance

Members of the Watts Hall Unit of the Independent Men's Association will hold a Christmas Dance in the Sandwich Shop of Old Main from 9 to 12 p. m., it was announced last night by Donald J. Cassidy '42, hall president.

2,500 Jam Terrace For Traditional Sing

A gathering of approximately 2,500 people jammed the terrace and walks in front of Old Main last night to participate in Penn State's traditional Carol Sing sponsored by the department of music and the PSCA.

Prof. Hummel Fishburn led the assembled group of students, faculty members and townspeople in seven Christmas carols, all of which were accompanied by a brass quartet. Under the direction of Mrs. Willa Taylor, "Carol of the Bells" was sung by the College Choir.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will towards men" was the theme of the Christmas reading, titled "The Angel and the Shepherds" which was given by Mrs. Harriet D. Nesbitt, speech department. A. John Currier '42 presided, and Jean F. Fisher '43, was general chairman.

Sigma Tau Takes 28 New Members

Three honorary members and 25 students were initiated into Sigma Tau, national engineering honorary, at a banquet held at the State College hotel Wednesday night.

Honorary members initiated at the banquet are Harry P. Hammond, dean of the School of Engineering; Edward Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries; and Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics.

Students initiated into the fraternity are Franklin L. Bateman '42, John F. Beck '42, Albert M. Berseth '43, Earl R. Booser '43, Joseph C. Bregar '43, Edsel J. Burkhardt '43, Alfonso R. Civitate '42, August P. Colaiaco '42, James H. Cusak '42, J. Robert Dupstadt '42.

Robert G. Edgerton '42, W. Wilson Horst '42, Philip Martsolf '42, Robert W. Noll '42, Warren W. Parke '42, Oliver J. Peters '42, C. Norris Smith '42, John P. Strand '42, Charles O. Tarr '42, Donald J. Wardrop '43, Harold L. Warner '42, Edward F. Weller '42, Myron S. Wheeler '42, and L. Joseph Zahora '43.

Goldren Elected Head

I. Burdette Coldren was elected freshman Independent clique chairman at a reorganization meeting of the party last evening. He succeeds Murray D. Friedman who resigned. R. Christine Yohe was selected secretary and James M. Oakés, treasurer.

More Than 2,000 Students Enroll For STCD Work

First Aid and Welding will run a close race as the most popular Student Training for Civilian Defense courses, it was indicated last night by an incomplete compilation of enrollment blanks.

More than 2,000 blanks had been turned in at Student Union by 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. At the same time, information contained on 834 blanks had been compiled by workers in the registrar's office.

Of these 834 students, 99 marked First Aid as their first preference among the 50 courses offered and 98 listed Welding.

Other courses high on the list of first choices were Auto Mechanics, 80; Communications, 49; Personnel Work, 41; Motor Vehicle Operation, 37; and Blackout Driving, 33.

Many students also offered to help with STCD instruction. Courses with the highest number of volunteer student teachers were Motor Vehicle Operation, 18; First Aid, 17; and Camp Counseling, 15.

Students also asked to receive training in several types of defense work not included among the courses offered. Some of these "extras" were marksmanship, aeronautics (both piloting and mechanics), navigation, ambulance (Continued on Page Two)

O'Brien Selects Baird, Doherty To Represent College In Symposium

Robert D. Baird '42 and Gerald F. Doherty '42, All-College president and vice-president respectively were selected by debate coach J. F. O'Brien to represent the college in a symposium forum with Bucknell University here, January 13.

This program, being sponsored by the debate team, was originally scheduled to be a debate between the two schools, but was changed recently.

The topic for discussion will be "What is Youth's Part in the War." The program will include speeches by the representatives from the two schools followed by questioning and discussion from the audience.

The debate team met Wednesday night for their last meeting before the holidays. Discussion on the symposium topic featured the meeting.

Bigham '38 Named Naval Reserve Ensign

Frank Bigham Jr., '38, stationed at the new United States Naval Reserve Station at Corpus Christi, Texas, known as "The University of the Air," has been commissioned ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

While training at the station, Bigham specialized in flying the Navy's huge patrol boats. He has just been appointed platoon commander in the Aviation Cadet Regiment.

Mack Gives Etching

The Society of American Etchers has asked Dr. Warren E. Mack, head of the department of horticulture, to contribute a print to a collection that will be circulated through the army camps. The Society plans to establish several of these shows to give some impetus to the cultural life of the man in the army.

Minerals Will Win War—Steidle

Effectiveness in the use of steel, coal, and petroleum, made possible by the full maintenance of technically skilled manpower, will write the final answer in this war of mechanized might, according to Edward Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries.

"The equipment of proper military forces capable of functioning on sea, land, or in the air will throw a load on our mineral industries never equaled in the past," Dean Steidle said. "The United States, aided by Pennsylvania's enormous contributions, can produce 50 per cent more steel than all the Axis countries put together, as much coal, and about 175 times as much petroleum."

An acute problem will arise, that of supplying enough trained

men to meet a tremendous expansion in the mineral industries brought about by the necessity of defending the western hemisphere and carrying on offensive operations in other areas, the dean pointed out.

"The proper allocation of manpower to military service and industry is more important than ever before," he continued. "Skilled labor is among our most important resources and it must not be wasted. Minerals are of no value until they have been mined and processed."

"The war will be won on the production line, and this line can only function as long as the flow of mineral products is uninterrupted by the maintenance of skilled manpower. Thus, the re-

sponsibility of local draft boards to place men where they can serve best is very great. Training and use of technical men in the war effort must not be hampered."

Pointing out that industry is entitled to request deferment of necessary talent, Dean Steidle said, "Millions of fighting men will require tens of millions of workers in the service to supply the sinews of war. We must look forward to quality rather than quantity of armed forces."

"We can't be the arsenal for democracy and at the same time properly equip and train armed forces of four million men in the next two years. It took the Germans six years to get such an army equipped and trained," he concluded.