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The War And Fraternities— What Will They Do?

An aspect of this war's influence upon the College which must be considered—but which can't yet be fully realized—is the effect it will have upon fraternities. It is something which now can only be guessed at. Nevertheless, somebody must guess and, soon, somebody must act.

In the winter of 1917, one Penn State fraternity had 44 active members and pledges; at June commencement, the same fraternity had two members. This time, the effect should not be as disastrous because the army is not conducting an intensive campaign for enlistments and selective service officials are giving more consideration to students in certain curricula. However, the example does serve to indicate the seriousness of the situation.

Probably, the war will affect fraternities in three main, closely allied ways: loss of membership; the consequent loss of income; and a diametrically opposite need for more income, created by rising prices. There can be no doubt that fraternities will suffer in these ways, at least.

Something will have to be done. But what?

Fraternities will have to sacrifice. They can not continue to operate as usual because to do so would require more money than fraternities are going to have. Bluntly pushing psychological and ethical questions into the background, money, or the lack of it, seems to be the critical phase of the predicament.

Some of the steps which fraternities may have to take are:

- 1. Eliminate costly social affairs-houseparties, Interfraternity Ball, and formal fraternity dances.
- 2. Devise a simplified method of rushing. The present system is expensive—perhaps too expensive for future needs.
- 3. Do without house improvements and new furnishings.
- 4. Raise house bills. If expenses can't be cut, revenues will have to be increased.
- It is unpleasant to think of these things. It will be more unpleasant to do them. It is true they may never be necessary, and equally true that they may be. Preparations for the latter case should be made now. It is a job for Interfraternity Council or the Association of Fraternity Counselors. The Collegian suggests they start acting.

What's The Matter?

Why haven't fraterhities made more than a half-hearted effort toward cooperative buying? Nobody questions the advantages, but nobody seems to care enough about the future of fraternities to try to establish a cooperative buying system.

Is one fraternity afraid to eat the same food that another does? Are fraternity leaders too lazy to undertake the work of organization? Do fraternities feel responsible for the prosperity of local merchants? Or have local merchants squelched the feeble efforts made by the few traternity men who take any real interest in fraternity welfare?

The trouble evidently is that traternities just don't want to save money. If they do, why don't

`-J. A. B.

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WE LIGHTLY TURN

The snow is crunching all around It's packed on fields and trees, And all the pretty coeds Have chapped and scaly knees.

The mercury lingers long and low With frost bit ears we sing Sweaters or no sweaters-Where the h--- is SPRING?

But zero or worse, the draughty fire of romance: burns ever brighter as the Thetas inch up on the Kappa matrimonial lead of 3 down, one to go, by announcing that Rowena Gotshall will leave at semester's end for future contemplated ceremonies with DU Burt Willis '40 and that WSGA prexy. Jean Babcock was Christmased with an Enormous diamond from Bob Hasek,

Not to be outdone, DG Jan Hartz comes through with news of a sparkler from ex-frosh football hero Bob Drake, now far far away in Georgia and Eleanor Heckman announces intensions for Bill Smyser, Alpha Zeta.

Scoop! We beat Co-Edition to this one. Chi O Prexy Jane Stanton is sporting a clear, crystal token from a Texas rancher, leaving KDR Warren Davies holding the well-known bag, and Dottie Radcliffe joins the league with an African pebble from SPE Don Tummons '41.

Yea, even the freshmen are doing it! Shirley B. Schantzer will leave at semesters to be married in the spring!

Anti-Climax

Back in the days before the war, when people didn't take their sex so seriously, a pin was news. Out of respect to that era: Phi Delt Tommy Krud, Kulp comes through with jewelry for Margie Roberts after all-out autumn siege . . . "Whiffet" Crossman, alpha chi, after strange romance No. 29, walks around proudly but calmly wearing Warren Kolkebeck's phi gam pin . . .

Have been noticing to our bitter sorrow the delectable transfer Gert Lundbom here and about with Phi Delt Chuck Mattern, and just as we were planning to move in, too.

We Aim To Please

Will the little lovely who advertised in this column a short while back for a "proven male" kindly call at the Sandwich Shop at the following appointed times to claim him. Love's labours not in vain, the male showed up two days after publication of her first plea with these few words:

"... I haven't had a date this year, mostly (I tell everybody) because I haven't the time . . . Perhaps you can play cupid and publish the name of the girl or else see me in the Sandwich Shop Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of every week at 9:00 o'clock . . . I'm serious about this . . . if I don't get a date soon I'll join the army . . . Can't you arrange this love tryst?"

P. S. I'm a Chem. Eng. Maybe that explains it."

We let the P. S. speak for itself.

Sexology 400

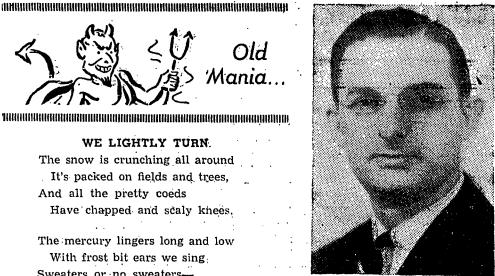
As we monder weak and weary over schedules, comes to light an interesting course for which a well-known lassie has submitted the following term paper: (Don't crowd, maybe they'll make another section)

"Marriage Without Sex or Sex Without Marriage or Which Vice is Versa!"

Next year's Lion backfield has trotted off en masse to the colors as Handsome Bill Debler, Pepper Ventresco, Manny Weaver, and Ted Kratzke (whoops! he's a guard) kissed Mr. Higgins and the girls goodby this week. Talent scout Marty Mc-Andrews will have to recomb the coal hills of Pennsylvania from the Monongahela to the Delaware Water Gap and back again if we are to "intensify our sports program" with a deficit of such proportions.

New Year's Eve found Jack Dodd bestowin' his Sigma Chi jewelry on a Marjorie from the Smoky City and pendering long and hard for a proper explanation to his other two girls, especially Joyce Brown.

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bandry, will lose two members of his livestock judging team to Uncle Sam following thir graduation.

Annel Town Meeting, "How Can We Control Inflation?" Hillel Foundation, 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Henry Crane will specific february. February.

Draft Calls Stock Judges

Two members of Penn State's better - than - average livestock judging team, which won the Eastern States Exposition title during the past season, are anticipating a call from Uncle Sam following their graduation in February.

James H. Swart and Donald S. Gaige are the two members of the all-senior judging team who will don the khaki after the completion. of their college requirements.

The team, coached by William L. Henning, professor of animal husbandry, completed a successful year at the Chicago International Livestock Show just before the Christmas holidays by placing 15 in a 28 team field.

Swart was high man for the Nittany aggregation in the mid-western contest.

Tallying 903 points he placed recent years.

James A. Kennedy placed high in a special horse-judging event on tory over Cornell; University of the program when he scored 49 out Connecticut, Massachusetts State, of a possible 50 points.

Other, individual stars, for the was high man at the Eastern and James T. Smith:

CAMPUS CALENDAR

AND A CONTRACTOR CONTR TODAY

Club meeting. Room, White Hall. Mechanics 10:30 a, m.

Basketball game, Cornell Frosh vs. Penn State Frosh, Rec Hall, 2

TOMORROW:

Ski busses to Penns Valley Ski Center leave corner of College ave. and Pugh st. at 2 and 2:45 p. m.

Wesley Foundation services: Church school, 9:30 a. m.; joint services with St. Paul's; cabinet meeting, 4 p. m.; student church services, 6:30 p. m.; friendly hour, 8:30 p. m.

"Sellout of the Substitute" in. Chapel, Schwab Auditorium, 11

Characteristics of a Christian Society meeting, Schwab Auditorium, 7:45 p. m.,

MONDAY

Deadline to register for first aid course at class meeting, 7 to 10 p.m. PSCA Forum Worship committee meets in 304 Old Main, 4 p. m.

Town Meeting Will Feature Inflation

Two agricultural economics professors and one economics professor will headline the Sunday evening Hillel Town. Meeting at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow with a discussion of the current topic "How Can We Control Inflation?"

Dr. Earl V. Dye and Dr. George E. Brandow, associate professors of agricultural economics, and Dr. Paul H. Wueller, associate professor, of economics, will lead a question and answer session following the round table on the question of rising prices and the trend towards inflation.

tenth out of a field of 140 to place States Exposition held in Springhigher than any State entrant in field, Massachusetts early in September with a score of 791 points. This effort led the team to a vicand New Hampshire University.

The complete team roster inteam were George R. Krupp, sen- cludes Krupp, Swart, Gaige, Kenior animal husbandry student, who nedy, A. K. Birth, Robert S. Christ,

Lower Draft Age Favored, **Opinion Surveys Reveal**

Pearl Harbor, many Student Opin- the United States, with students of ion Surveys of America polls had all types proportionately repreindicated collegians, although sym- sented: pathetic with the British and the call to join the embattled Euro- draft age for military service low peans. Even more than the aver- ered to 18 or raised to 45?" age American, adult, students had failed to mobilize their spirit.

But the change that has come about since the U.S. went to war is staggering. New surveys completed since hostilities in the Pacific began, register the enormous effect. the Japanese attack has had on the of your time daily if you were askundergraduate mind. These re- ed to work on a local defense comsults leave no doubt that college mittee?" students—long criticized for their peacetime isolationist leaningshave immediately united and are ready for the personal sacrifices war will demand:

1. Most college men would have preferred to have the draft age lowered to 18-affecting most of them personally—than have it raised to 45. Congress last month made men 20 to 44 subject to military service.

2. Nearly nine in every ten are willing to give some of their time daily on local'defense committees. 3. Almost as many want men

non-military duty. 4. More than three-fourths of work in their communities?" the coods approve of drafting women for non-military tasks.

Here are the quertions asked, and the percentages received in this Undecided 5

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 10-Before survey covering every section of

"If the armed forces need more Russians, were unmoved by any men, would you rather have the

	All I	Men	AA OTER
Lower to 18	42%	50%	28%
Raise to 45	43:	34	58:
Do both	11	14	6.
Do neither		1	
Undecided	2	1	4
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"Would you give several hours

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"Would you approve or disapprove of the government drafting men not subject to serve in thearmed forces to do non-military defense work in their communi-

Approve	849
Disapprove	12
Undecided	4

"Would you approve or disapnot in the armed forces drafted for prove of the government drafting women to do non-military defense

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	Approve	70%	66.5%	-78%
	Disapprove			17
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