

## Thespian Unit To Stage Show For Morale Plans

Fun and laughter is a serious business now that the Thespians have shouldered the task of entertaining the service men in four state camps.

At least that was the conclusion the Thespian Defense Board of Control reached last night as it evaluated student talent that paraded before it. Individual acts were reviewed in preparation for a preliminary unit show to be staged in Schwab Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock tonight.

Production Manager James A. Leyden '42, emphasized that tonight's personnel will be enlarged as soon as applications of individual acts are received. He expressed the group's disappointment at the half-hearted student response and urged anyone with any kind of an act, save skits, to contact the Thespians.

Not only student acts will be presented tonight, but two faculty members have volunteered their services. It is the Thespians' object to enlist both students and faculty members in the job of bolstering service men's morale.

Mrs. Jean Abramson, singer, and Dr. Stuart A. Mahuran, assistant professor of journalism, who is a magician in his own right, will appear on the program.

When contacted last night, Dr. Mahuran said: "For national defense? Sure I'll do it."

Student talent will sprinkle the show with variety. Among those to appear are George P. Wasko '45, trumpet solo; James A. Leyden '42, and his musical quartet, musical specialties; Bud Malotte '44, tap dancing specialty; Don R. Taylor '42, gag routines.

Bernard Feinberg '44, the "story" behind the second Hungarian Rapsody; Leon J. Rabinowitz '43, impersonations; Andrew P. Szekely '43, piano solos; Betty E. Platt '45, singer; and Shirley L. Ives '45, singer.

No admission will be charged tonight. An offering will be taken.

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## Gene Krupa To Play For Alpha Sigma Phi

Gene Krupa, King of the Drums, will bring his nationally known orchestra to Penn State for a Valentine Dance at the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity house February 13, Les Hetenyi, social chairman of the fraternity, announced last night.

According to Hetenyi, an alumnus of the house had offered to donate the contract late in November and the dance date had been set for January 9. However, the first two choices, Benny Goodman and Charlie Barnett, could not be contracted and the dance had to be postponed.

The dance will be closed and formal, Hetenyi said, with the admittance by invitation only.

## College To Survey State Industries

More than 650 of Pennsylvania's industries—most of them plants producing war materials—are now being surveyed by the College extension service to determine their need for technically-trained workers.

Through this "inventory," the College will attempt to determine by actual location the training needs of state industries in general, of townspeople, of special plant groups and of students now enrolled in defense courses.

The survey was announced by J. Orvis Keller, assistant to the president in charge of extension, who said that the inventory will be made through field representatives of the College and through the State Employment office.

The results of the five-part survey will indicate the volume of defense training that Penn State, largest in the college field, will do in its next engineering, science, and management defense training program beginning some time next month. Only two months ago, Penn State enrolled more than 18,000 men and women for defense courses in 109 cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

## Fitness Group Meets

Organization meeting for students and faculty members interested in the "all-out" physical fitness program should meet in the west gallery of Rec Hall at 2:30 p. m. today, Charles M. Speidel, committee chairman, announced.

## Defense Council Hears Reports

The College Defense Council made plans to meet every other Wednesday and heard reports from committee heads at the group's meeting last night. The setting of regular dates was made at the request of Dr. A. C. Marts, executive director of the State Defense Council.

Reporting on the work of the Committee on Contacts with Faculty, Students, and Alumni in the Armed Services, Chairman Edward K. Hibshman said that a list, by camps, has been prepared of 450 Penn State draftees and enlistees. He pointed out the increasing difficulty of obtaining information on men who are being shifted to new locations.

Also on the program of the committee on contacts, Hibshman said, are the showing of football movies next week at the New Cumberland reception center by Coach Bob Higgins, and the proposed project of the Thespians and Glee Club to perform at four army camps.

Urging better response to the "Salvage for Victory" campaign, H. W. Loman, vice-chairman of the combined campus-borough Committee on Conservation of Resources, asked students and townspeople to place such salvageable materials as paper, rags, metals, and rubber on the curbstones to await collection by O. W. Houts' trucks.

Dr. Carl P. Schott, dean of the School of Physical Education announced the possibility of expanding the physical fitness program to afford each male student three body-building exercise classes a week. The intramural program will probably be intensified, Dean Schott said.

Plans for campus protection were reported well advanced, and air raid or fire drills may be held soon in the main campus buildings and dormitories.

## Fraternities Advised Of Snow Ordinance

Fraternity presidents were advised that the borough snow ordinance would be enforced in the future, A. E. Yougel, burgess of State College, stated yesterday.

This ordinance states that all sidewalks must be cleared of snow 24 hours after it ceases falling. The purpose of the strict enforcement from now on, the burgess stated, is not to collect fines, but to secure cooperation in seeing that the walks are clear.

## All-College Elections Set For March 25, 26, 27

### Cathaum Sponsors IF Piano Contest

An Interfraternity Piano Playing Contest, sponsored by the Cathaum Theatre, will be staged in the near future.

A trophy cup will be awarded to the fraternity placing the winning member, and cash prizes of five dollars are being given to the winners of group eliminations.

Entry blanks have been sent to all fraternities, and each fraternity may enter one contestant who is either a pledge or a member in good standing in his fraternity. Entries close midnight Saturday.

### Ag Ed Honorary Elects Officers

Officers were installed and 16 new members were initiated into Alpha Tau Alpha, agriculture education professional honorary, at a special meeting held Tuesday evening in the Agriculture Education building.

The following officers were installed: Homer J. Preston, president; Robert C. Hammond, vice-president; Glenn E. Ely, secretary; Lester W. Seidel, treasurer; James A. Shute, sergeant-at-arms; and John A. Stump, reporter, all juniors.

Dr. C. S. Anderson, chapter advisor, presented the following new members with shingles and keys: Preston, Hammond, Ely, Seidel, Shute, Stump, Leon J. Kurtz '43, Irvin K. Curry '43, John M. Graff '43, Charles E. Gundlach '43, John F. Fishburn '42, George W. Gerguson '42, John G. McAllister '42, Richard M. Jones '43, Paul W. Umberger '43, and Charles Weigley.

### 189 Stamps Sold

One hundred and eighty-nine national defense stamps, provided by Student Union, were sold at the freshman-sophomore boxing bouts on Tuesday night by members of the Parmi Nous and Skull and Bones, George L. Donovan, Student Union manager, announced yesterday.

### Cabinet Groups Asked To Elect Week Later

All-College elections will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 25, 26, and 27, it was decided by All-College Cabinet last night. A motion was also passed recommending to all cabinet members that elections of their organizations be held not more than a week after All-College elections.

The purpose of this recommendation was to give newly elected members to Cabinet from three weeks of a month of experience before the old members leave, and also to make certain that all new members take their positions on Cabinet at the same time.

Heading the list of defense projects by campus groups as reported last night was WSGA's purchase of a \$500 defense bond and plans for another one in the near future. Panhel has decided to cut rushing expenses to the minimum and with the \$70 saved buy defense bonds.

PSCA has revised its plans to conduct both Town Hall meetings and fireside chats on subjects pertaining to the problems of students in the present emergency. It was reported that \$18.90 worth of defense stamps were sold at the sophomore scrap and that stamps will be sold at all indoor athletic events.

A seven man committee of the school council presidents was appointed under the chairmanship of Clair L. Hess '42 to investigate the extent of enrolling on campus and possible preventative measures.

As reported by William O. Meyers '42 in charge of Chapel Fund committee, the votes are now being counted by an NYA student to decide whether or not half of the contributions will be used for local student welfare.

Cabinet decided to send as Penn State's delegates to the Pennsylvania Association of Universities at Bucknell University, February 20, Robert D. Baird, All-College president and H. Leonard Krouse, senior class president.

## Late News Flashes...

**WASHINGTON**—The Treasury Department announced that officials at Manila removed or destroyed \$7,000,000 worth of assets before the Japs had occupied the city. It was the first official news regarding the battle of the Philippines to be released in two days.

**CHUNGKING**—Jap troops launched an attack West of Canton yesterday in a desperate effort to relieve pressure on the Nipponese forces now under assault in other sectors of China.

**MOSCOW**—Russian forces have captured Medine and have advanced both in the Donet Basin and in Southern Russia, according to an official communique. In the Crimean area, Russian parachute troops were dropped behind German lines to weaken Nazi resistance.

**BATAVIA**—American and Dutch planes attacked Japanese shipping in the Southeastern Pacific yesterday. One vessel and several barges were known to have been sunk.

**CAIRO**—British air forces from Malta and Axis squadrons from Sicily and Tripoli took active parts in North Africa yesterday. Both sides exchanged blows at air bases and supply columns.

## Freshmen Candidates For Collegian Staff To Organize Tonight

Wanted—freshmen interested in gaining valuable newspaper experience in either the editorial or business boards of The Daily Collegian. If you like to write; if you want to feel the pulse of campus life come around to the organization meeting in 405 Old Main at 7:15 o'clock tonight.

Candidates need have had no previous experience or is it necessary that they intend to enroll in the journalism department. If interested in helping put out Penn State's daily paper, it is important to attend tonight's meeting.

An outline of The Daily Collegian's set up will be explained by Ross B. Lehman '42, editor, and James E. McCaughey '42, business manager. If you have questions come and find out the answers. The meeting will be brief and will start promptly.

## New Officers Elected

Delta Theta Sigma announced the results of officer elections for the second semester last night. Walter W. Hollobaugh '42 was elected president, William M. Keslar '42, vice-president, and Martin L. Miller '43 and Joseph G. Featr '43, treasurer and secretary, respectively.

## Students Oppose Extra Semester

A majority of Penn State students oppose the idea of scheduling a "third" semester in the College calendar from June to October because of the financial difficulties involved, according to a survey by The Daily Collegian of 300 students.

The poll was conducted on a cross-section sampling basis so that the correct percentage of fraternity and independent students in the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes were included to make the survey truly representative. Names were selected from the directory, and the students were then contacted.

Of the 50 per cent who opposed the issue, a large majority did so because they must work during the summer vacation to earn expense money. Only 40 per cent of all students questioned stated they would enroll for the special term.

The poll on inaugurating a new

semester into the calendar was conducted on the following issue: "If the College should schedule a third semester from June to October, to hasten graduation for students of draft age, would you enroll for that term?"

The reaction of the general student body is shown in the following results:

Yes	40%
No	50
Undecided	10

In a cross-section of the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes on the same issue, the following results were obtained:

	F.	S.	J.
Yes	41%	40%	57%
No	58	58	40
Undecided	1	2	3

The women students interviewed were more enthusiastic about the extra semester idea than the men, as the following table indicates:

	Men	Wom
Yes	40%	62%
No	57	17
Undecided	3	21

Of those students who opposed the idea the following question was asked:

"If the answer to the above question was in the negative, was it because of financial difficulties; i. e., the necessity of earning money during the summer vacation?"

The student body's attitude is shown in the following results:

Yes	61%
No	37
Undecided	2

These results were then cross-sectioned according to the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes as follows:

	F.	S.	J.
Yes	71%	79%	48%
No	28	19	50
Undecided	1	2	2