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## The 'Third Semester'— A Consequence Of War

The College's plan for a "third semester" has at last been made public. The proposal has not yet been acted upon, but it will be next week and there is every indication that it will be accepted.

Administration officials are conservative and it is not their usual policy to announce changes of this magnitude before final, official action has been taken. For them to do so in this case leads to the belief that approval of the plan is inevitable.

The request for colleges and universities to operate on a 12-month basis has come from the War Department. In these emergency times, such a request is practically an order. Acceleration of this College's educational process has been held essential to prosecution of the war, and thus it must be done.

Although it is possible that the College will gain future benefits from this change, the immediate results are not likely to be beneficial. For example, the size of the student body will decrease, income will be cut as expenses rise, and curricula and courses of study will have to be revised.

Students will suffer. Many of them will not be able to afford to enroll during the summer term. The change in the calendar will probably result—as would any disruption of the normal schedule—in hurting students academically.

Many students will ask why their rights have presumably been ignored. The bald truth is this: The individual can not be considered. This is war, and everything must be adapted to war needs. Our fate as individuals will be that of the nation as a whole; Penn State students can not expect to continue their usual routine while the rest of the country sacrifices in the fight for a common goal.

From the personal viewpoint of the average student, the third semester will be harmful. But the College can't be blamed, and the government can't be blamed. The blame lies with the situation and, as that can't be changed, it must be accepted and its consequences must be accepted. There is nothing else to do.

—J. A. B.

## It's Not Too Late

We hope the Alpha Sigma Phis have a good time at their dance with Gene Krupa. We hope they consider the money well spent. What if there is a war?

We don't know how much they are paying for Krupa. We do know, however, that his was one of the bands considered for Soph Hop last fall and, at that time, it would have cost \$1,500 to bring him to State College. And we know, too, that a campus band can be hired for about \$100.

Let's see—\$1,500 minus \$100 equals \$1,400. And \$1,400 equals a lot of things—part of a bomber or a tank, the down payment on an ambulance, uniforms for a squad of soldiers, enough bullets to kill quite a few enemy men, enough bandages to patch up quite a few of ours. Yes, a lot of things.

And, in this case, \$1,400 equals bad taste and criminal misuse of much-needed money. Maybe that "undisclosed alumnus" didn't realize that when he offered to hire Krupa.

Incidentally, Alpha Sigma Phi, here's a suggestion:

Why not hold an All-College dance in Rec Hall? You could charge 50 cents or a dollar per couple and donate the money to the Red Cross, Mrs. Hetzel's Fund for Emergencies, or buy Defense Bonds. That would be helping instead of hindering. Think it over.

—J. A. B.



## Casey Would, Would You?

Mid plumes and fumes and bustles,  
Checked vests and bowler hats,  
Parasols and spit curls  
Elite will stop to chat.

Over steins of coca-cola,  
With Mr. Baird's permission,  
We'll hear some lusty shouts  
So this is Prohibition!

With Diamond Jim, his belles en masse,  
To reign at Sigma Nu,  
What we yearn to know tonight—  
Is there a burlesque?

Highlight of the weekend shared only with the Beta and Alpha Zeta pledge dances is tonight's Bowery Ball to which invitations are plentiful, refusals scarce and costumes ludicrous. The boys plan to outdo themselves by escorting these beautiful campus belles: Cal Clements and Estelle Brown, Jimmy Lister and Betty Rose Broderick, Clair Eisenhart and Margie Campsey, John Yeneral and the light of his life, Hettie Belle, Pat Young and Audrey Schoemmel (back for the weekend), Pierre Roy and Betty Robinson, Howard Smith and Doty Johnson, Fuzzie Hay and Marie Bauer, Bill Masseth and Renee Marks (looks as if 4th floor Mac has a monopoly on this dance), Don Mehmel and Irene McDaniel, Sammy Brown and Shirley Tetley, Bob Herrman and Martha Lauder milk (an import in this day and age), Don Russell and Peg Embury, Bill Henning and Ibbey Kinsloe, Bill Smaltz and Betty Rank, Johnnie O'Brien and Jane Taylor, and Jack Hanley with Jack Hanley.

## On The Balfour Front

Ibbey Shields has brought Bob Harper's SAE pin, hers since Christmas, out of hiding now that she has Jimmie Sheeley's Deltachi badge back in Georgia.

Frosh songstress Shirley Ives is proud possessor of Bill Ritzel's AKPi jewelry.

## Hungarian Rhapsody

We think Alpha Sigma Phi's Les Hetenyi is a bit premature in masquerading as a benefacting alumnus—but more power to him. He's done a better job than the honorable Mr. Fleming is in the habit of turning out.

## Hand In Hand

Maybe just coincidence, but looks like good Reader's Digest stuff to us—these faculty and what they impart:

Noyes—Typewriting.  
Bramble—Forestry.  
Banner—Headlines  
Faylor—Accounting.  
Rose Cologne—Home Economics.

## Sandwich Shopping

Favorite past-time of the warped collegiate mind is stacking coca-cola bottles in the Sandwich shop leading us to believe that Messrs. F. D. R. and O. P. M. have an eye to the shortage of glass instead of sugar.

Often-seen combinations in that center of Bohemian culture are Henny Yeagley with frosh Peg Collins (new 12-hour-a-day combination), Phi Psi Johnnie Baucher and a little blue-eyed, blue-sweated frosh, Evie Kohler, Kay Schott and her usual following.

## Slow But Sure

'Tis both fitting and proper that we pause to shed a tear for the former editor of this pillar who makes his exit from this institution after 4½ years with a couple of summer schools thrown in. And there will be weeping and wailing and much gnashing of feminine teeth for he called many but chose few . . . we bow in humble reverence to a great man and a great lover—Bayard Bloom!

## Further Farewells

Things just won't be the same without the shining faces of Chi O Midge Barbey, Kappa Jane Gibboney, Sara Fair, and Theta Polly Vanneman.

## Mornin' Cy

Day dawned in the foggy metropolis of Philadelphia Thursday or else the University of Pennsylvania ran out of sports fillers for the venerable Mr. Peterman devoted his entire column to sing the praises of Jeffrey's lads.

## 3rd Semester Plan Proposed

(Continued from Page One)

The complete report of the committee follows:

"Dear Mr. President:

"The committee appointed in your letter of January 10, to put 'into tentative form a proposal or proposals for a College program adjusted to the conditions of war, to be of effect following . . . May 9, 1942' met on January 14 and 15. Dean Hammond was out of town and could not meet with the committee.

"It was voted unanimously to recommend to the Council of Administration as follows:

"1. That a college term of fifteen weeks for seniors, juniors and sophomores begin on May 18, 1942, and end on August 28.

"2. That a college term of twelve weeks for freshmen begin on June 8, 1942, and end on August 28.

"3. That a college term of fifteen weeks begin on September 7, 1942, and end on December 19.

"4. That a college term of fifteen weeks begin on January 4, 1943, and end on April 17.

"5. That for those on a ten months' contract, the contract run from July 1, 1942 to April 30, 1943.

"It need hardly be said that the committee recognizes that circumstances over which the College has no control may require a change in the dates proposed, particularly those after August, 1942, but it believes that something is gained by setting these dates as definitely as possible now.

F. C. Whitmore C. E. Marquardt  
C. W. Stoddard C. L. Kinsloe  
C. P. Schott D. F. McFarland  
F. D. Kern A. O. Morse,  
P. C. Weaver Chairman"

## Students To Send Reading To Camps

Reading matter from the College will be sent to 22 USO headquarters near camps where Penn State men are stationed, it was announced by Daniel C. Gillespie '44, chairman of the PSCA Committee on Aid to Draftees, which is a sub-division of the Defense Council Committee on Contacts with Penn State men in the Armed Services.

In addition to getting names for its "keep 'em writing" project, the committee has made arrangements for the mailing of copies of The Daily Collegian, the Alumni News, and PSCA devotional material.

## Dr. Robert Searle Chapel Speaker

"Two Changeless Laws," is he subject to be discussed by Dr. Robert W. Searle, of the Greater New York Federation of Churches, during the chapel service in Schwab Auditorium at 11 a. m. tomorrow. A special number by the choir, "Sanctus," by Bach, will feature the musical part of the services.

Boston University News sent glamorous Hedy Lamarr an invitation to their famed Military Ball, only to receive the well-worn, "Sorry, but . . ."

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Boxing meet with Western Maryland, Rec Hall, 7 p. m.

Wrestling meet with Navy, Rec Hall, 8:30 p. m.

Ice Skating, College rink, 2 to 5 and 7 to 10 p. m.

Victory Book Campaign ends. Leave books at public schools, Co-op Corner, Library, or Student Union.

Snowball Frolic dance, Hillel Foundation, 8:30 p. m.

## Slang Coined In Wartime

New words are largely of four types, and the present world crisis has contributed to all four, says Douglass S. Mead, professor of English literature.

In his survey of the coinage of new words, Dr. Mead found words like "camouflage," "dugout," and "sabotage" coming from the first World War and new ones like "totalitarian," "blackout," and "bottle-neck" from the present crisis.

Slang, he said, is the fastest growing form of word, pointing out Britain's "paratroops" for parachute troops and "chatterbox" for machine gun as forms which have grown out of the war.

Another type is the applying of new and smarter meaning to old words, such as "static," adopted to radio and "reasonable," referring to price. Dr. Mead calls this "new language" and says that "although dictionary makers try valiantly to keep up, they of necessity remain a stride behind."

## Student Grange Installs Officers

The Penn State Grange installed 17 new officers for the coming year. Installation was by Centre County Pomona Master, Mr. Bidle. The new officers follow:

Elwood May '43, Master; Laura J. Weaver '43, Overseer; Edward S. Barben, 2-year agriculture, Steward; Wilbur M. Carson '44, assistant Steward; Rebecca J. Way '45, Lady Assistant Steward; Edward Procter '44, Lecturer; Robert L. Cowan '44, Chaplain; F. Pressly Shannon '45, Gate Keeper; G. Paul Replogle '44, Treasurer.

Paul I. Gift '45, secretary; Martha H. Shook '45, Pomona; Margaret E. Jack '45, Flora; Mary Malner '45, Ceres; Replogle, chairman of the executive committee; Procter and Gift, members of the executive committee; Joseph G. Sick, special student, chairman of the finance committee; Francis D. Holler, 2-year agriculture, and Barben, members of the finance committee; and Miss Weaver '43 agricultural student council representative.

## Neyhart Trains Police

A driving-instructor's course will be conducted for a section of the Detroit police force next week by Amos F. Neyhart, administrative head of the College's institute of public safety. The policeman completing the course will help instruct the remainder of the police force in the principles of safe driving, Neyhart announced.

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