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**The Faculty Says...**

**Minerals In War**

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Although the threat of war to the Americas has been recognized for a long time, the final plunge arrived with shocking suddenness. Sufficient time has not yet elapsed to allow any clear perspective to develop. One fact of very great importance has been demonstrated. Mechanized might will be the controlling factor. The equipment of adequate military forces capable of functioning on the land, sea or in the air is imposing a load on our mineral industries without parallel in the past. Steel, coal, and petroleum will be the fundamentals of military effort as they are of peace-time industry. However, we know that these industries have developed such complexity that the fundamentals themselves are of little value until they are used cooperatively with numberless other mineral commodities. These commodities can be obtained only by world-wide commerce and this commerce is now seriously threatened by war.

The mineral raw materials of Central and South America are indispensable in the defense effort of the United States which is devoted to the protection of the entire hemisphere. This effort cannot be made an accomplished fact without a constant supply of these materials. We must have iron, copper, nitrates, iodine, tin, vanadium, industrial diamonds, and other mineral commodities to supplement our diminishing supplies. The responsibilities of the mineral industries in carrying the war effort to a successful conclusion are very great and will be assumed willingly. If we are so unfortunate as to see a war of long duration in which exhaustion is the final factor, mineral resources will constantly assume a more important role. The overwhelming superiority of the mineral endowment of the Allies as compared with the Axis powers is so great as to leave no doubt as to the final outcome.

Certain conditions and problems in our mineral industries are already apparent. The services of technical men are more important than ever before. The supply of such men must be maintained. Wastage of human effort by employment of men in the wrong vocation must be avoided. The technical schools must continue to operate with the greatest efficiency and speed possible. Unfortunately a trained man capable of skilled work in the mineral industries cannot be produced overnight. Time is needed and this time is a matter of years. It is becoming apparent that the most valuable contribution to national defense by technical schools is made not in a few crowded war years but in the past generations during which a constantly growing number of men have been trained and graduated to operate the mineral industries. Technical education thereby becomes the best insurance against the disasters of war.

Above all else war is wasteful. Mineral resources once dissipated can rarely be recovered. As the use of minerals in the present war exceeds all past history, so will the wastage exceed all past records. Our mineral heritage must be administered as wisely as possible to win the war and the peace. It is inevitable that education and research will become the most valuable tools to maintain the mineral industries and our way of living, which depend upon them.

**College 'Radicalism'**

Students do not "turn radical" in the average American college or university, observes Morton Mintz in the Michigan Daily. Results of an exhaustive four-year survey, combined with similar research of other psychologists conducted over a 15-year period in approximately 50 colleges, have convinced Prof. Theodore M. Newcomb of Michigan's sociology department that there is "only a slight increase in liberalism" between entrance and graduation among the great majority of students.

Professor Newcomb's conclusions, which will be published in book form this Spring under the title "Personality and Attitude Development," stated that "in college students, family background is a less important factor in attitude change than the conservatism or liberalism prevailing in the college atmosphere."

**Campus Calendar**

**TODAY**

All coeds are invited to third women's intercollegiate postal bowling matches in White Hall, 6:30 to 9:30 p. m.

PSCA Community Service committee, 304 Old Main, 4 p. m.

Varsity Debating, William and Mary coeds, topic, "Should Women Be Drafted?" 316 Sparks Building, 8 p. m.

WSGA House of Representatives meets in 318 Old Main at 5 p. m.

Dr. Ivor Griffith from the Philadelphia School of Pharmacy and Science will address the American Chemical Society in 119 New Physics at 7:30 p. m. on "What Is A Chemist?"

There will be a meeting of the AAUW in the State College High School library at 8 p. m.

Testimonial meeting of the Christian Science Organization in 118 Home Economics at 7:30 p. m.

Varsity debating with William and Mary College, 316 Sparks Building, 8 p. m.

PSCA Cabinet meeting, election of additional officers, Hugh Beaver Room, 7 p. m.

'44 Campus Party meeting in 318 Old Main at 7:30 p. m.  
 Lenten worship service, Hugh

Beaver Room, 7 a. m. Rev. Edward Korte, Lutheran student pastor, will speak on "Lo, I Am With You Always."

Watch Service, Wesley Foundation, 7:15 a. m.

Junior Blazer committee, Graduate Manager of Athletics' office, 4 p. m.

Campus '45 meeting in Old Main at 7:30 p. m.

**TOMORROW**

Two motion pictures, "Safari on Wheels" and "The Road of Tomorrow" will be shown in 110 Home Economics, 8 p. m.

Varsity Debating, Franklin and Marshall, labor question, 316 Sparks Building, 7:30 p. m.

Student-Faculty Relations committee meeting, Hugh Beaver Room, 7:30 p. m.

Importance of transportation in a world at war will be the theme of movies in 121 Sparks Building at 7 p. m.

Livestock show entrants will be drawn in Room 206 Agriculture at 7:30 p. m.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Entries for the IFC bridge tournament may be made at Student Union Thursday and Friday.

**Debate Convention Slated For Campus**

Twenty-one Pennsylvania colleges will send representatives to the seventh annual Pennsylvania State Debaters' Convention to be held on the campus March 20 and 21. Prof. Joseph F. O'Brien, department of public speaking, said yesterday.

"Youth's Part In The War," a topic originated by Prof. O'Brien and Thomas J. Burke '42, former debate manager, will be the theme of the meeting, which has the biggest advance enrollment in the convention's history.

**Engineers Approve Legalized Kissing**

Without slide rules, engineers will be given the chance to find out exactly how much pressure may be applied to a given structure, considering the friction involved in the process of oscillation, et al—maybe!

We refer to the kissometer, highlight of last year's Engineers' Hop. Provided that the popular prover of potential puckerers can be found it will be used Saturday from 9 p. m. until midnight at this year's arrangement of Engineers' Hop.

Handed over to a group of electricians after the bouts staged in Rec Hall (we mean the Hop), the machine hasn't been located so far this season, according to Ernest F. Marshal '42 and Charles L. Van Inwagen '42, dance co-chairmen.

Perhaps some couple, desiring a day-to-day test of rising pressures in thermodynamics—"smooched it."

**Curry Announces 4-H Club Program**

4-H Club executive committee has outlined meetings for the remainder of the semester, according to Irwin K. Curry '43, president.

On March 16, Miss Martha E. Leighton, assistant professor of agricultural extension service, and Mr. Allen L. Baker, professor of agricultural extension service, will speak on 4-H Club activities throughout the state for the coming year.

On March 30, Mr. William S. Jeffries, assistant professor of agricultural extension service, will show slides and moving pictures of recent club activities in Pennsylvania. The last meeting of the semester, scheduled for April, will be a picnic.

**Collegian Profile**

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the great game and succeeded in his campaign for the office of junior class president. He followed up the next year as senior class president.

Krouse belongs to Delta Tau Delta, and is a member of Friars, Parli-Nous, and Lions Paw, honor societies, and of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Among the many committees that Krouse has served on are the Committee on Academic Standards, Election committee for the Class of '44, the honor men committee for '42, and was a delegate from the College to the Pennsylvania Collegiate Student Government Association.

**Coed Elections**

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Voting by proxy will not be permitted. Women will vote for all offices excluding senators other than their own class senator. Town women may vote for no senator except town senator.

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**Let's Have Another**

"When are you going to have another one?" This was the question asked by the more than 1,000 students as they left Old Main on February 20 after attending the first Open House. From present indications, it probably will be the last, several of the eight organizations which sponsored it having since expressed unfavorable opinion.

Unable, or rather unwilling to recognize the student demand for such a program, these groups claim that the success of the first Open House was a "fluke" and that to hold another would be sheer waste of time.

When these campus "service" organizations agreed unanimously in February to undertake the job of readying Old Main for a student night, maybe they didn't realize the time and effort such a task involved. Now, with plans drawn up for another Open House, they are backing out.

Perhaps the mere idea of providing wholesome recreation for appreciative students is not incentive enough. Of course, with no large monetary profit in the offing, it may not be a worthwhile endeavor.

Nevertheless, we somehow feel that it is. Any system that has in it the germ for solving the recreation problem is worth, at the very least, another try.

"When are you going to have another one?"  
 —M. D.

**Cabinet Takes Stock**

Time out was taken by All-College Cabinet members last night to take stock of their present system of representation. To accomplish this, various members were called on to report on the year's activities for the organizations which they represented. In other words they were asked to justify their existence on Cabinet.

It was also investigated by Cabinet whether or not such organizations as Philotes and IMA are truly representative of independent students. The point was made that Philotes does not represent independent women's groups but rather about 45 individual independent women. Such an organization appears to lack necessary spokes reaching throughout the 1,000 odd independent women.

With the possible exceptions of the Liberal Arts and Education School councils, the reports of the council presidents included activities helpful to students in their schools. It was pointed out that the Liberal Arts and Education councils were not so much at fault but rather that the schools, disunited as they are, don't lend themselves to council work as readily as do the more homogenous schools.

It was the consensus of Cabinet that the present system of representation is basically sound. However, improvements in efficiency are greatly needed. One suggestion presented to make Cabinet members more alert as to student government and its problems was that an orientation course be given to interested juniors and prospective Cabinet members. In this course the problems of the existing Cabinet would be followed from week to week, students and faculty members close to student government could give talks and as a result these juniors could be thoroughly prepared for the job of leading Penn State student government in their senior year.

—D. W. D.