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**The accelerated, three-semester program is Penn State's major contribution to America's war efforts. For the duration, it is to be regarded as a normal and not a special program of study.**

Friday, May 1, 1942

**Stamp Plan May Fail**

Early indications show that the combined corsage-defense stamp plan, which was authorized for Junior Prom, is going to meet with distinct failure. Hundreds of students and guests are planning to attend the Prom, and hundreds of corsages will add to the color of the affair, but the little red, white and blue ribbons which signify the purchase of defense stamps, are going to be "conspicuous by their absence."

This is no indication that students lack patriotism; but there is reason to believe that something is wrong. In deep contrast, it must be remembered that the no-corsage plan was a tremendous success at Senior Ball. At that time, nearly \$1,000 worth of stamps was sold at Student Union.

However, the plan has been slightly altered for Junior Prom. Through an attempt to appease two opposing factions, the committee decided to inaugurate the joint plan of purchasing both stamps and corsages. This time the florists, and not Student Union, were authorized to sell the stamps. The florists are cooperating, but the students are not. Only a few stamps have been sold, and it may be estimated that the total sale will fall far below the record set at Senior Ball.

After seeing how much the defense stamp sale has dropped for the Prom, and, at the same time, realizing the great need for an "all out" defense effort, student leaders on campus will probably cut the sale of corsages for all future dances. This can not be termed a drastic measure because many large colleges and universities have already limited the number of "big dances" on their social program.

Big dances are necessary for morale and should be continued, but corsages are a luxury at present and should be banned, just as the retail sale of radios, automobiles, and other pre-war necessities has been discontinued.

**Hats Off To Seniors**

By diverting their gift fund into defense channels, the Class of 1942 will go on record as making a choice which can not be contested. Although \$5,500 in defense bonds may seem like a small sum when compared with the 100 million dollars the government is spending each day to carry on the war, it will at least add a little to the staggering sum that is needed to whip the Axis.

After the war is over and America has again settled down to the art of living, the bonds will mature and the money can be used to set up scholarships to educate the sons and daughters of the Class of '42.

But this is only the beginning. The germ of another great defense plan was introduced at All-College Cabinet meeting last Tuesday. According to the proposed plan, a centralized fund will be set up from contributions received from the many different student organizations on campus. As the fund grows, defense bonds will be purchased and set aside until after the war is over.

At that time, the bonds will be cashed and the money used to provide scholarship funds for the men who could not complete their college education because they enlisted or were drafted before graduation.

If the plan is adopted, the Collegian will offer its support by publishing daily reports which will list the latest contributors, and the total amount in the central fund. This plan is not based on a new idea, since many towns and cities have already started similar campaigns such as the "Buy a Bomber Fund." However, it will be a big step in the right direction if Penn State initiates its own campaign.



**Through The Needle's Eye**

It's bad enough that we're in the Infirmary recuperating from a bad case of exploded head without being mistaken for little worms by people who can't tell the difference between a camel (look above) and a worm. We do not have a worm's eye view; we have a needle.

First this Ferdie worm fellow tells the world last week that we should get out and gambol on the green in preparation for the coming semester. Relax on the grassy turf beside a babbling brook, etc.

The College releases the new third semester timetable. Yeah. Let us add: "Ha!" And reiterate: "Ha!" By which we mean that if you are one of those people accustomed to registering late in the afternoon of the second day, having quickly slipped fifteen credits of assorted courses on the agenda, Brother, you are in for a session with a dilemma.

Now then, Ferdie Worm, we hold, submit and assert to you that when some schools in this College have combined their Summer School sessions with their regular semester classes, that we have plenty of trouble coming up. Some people in scientific schools, if they want to take the courses they are after, have to take them on a Summer School basis for almost the whole day for a few weeks. Worm, they ain't got no time to babble at a brook.

Ferdie Worm (sorry, a fellow from New York just came by), it strikes us that there are going to be a lot of people working in restaurants and other nooks and crannies to earn money to be here for "Penn State's major contribution to America's war effort." By this new timetable it strikes us that they're not going to have any time to babble at a brook.

Ferdie Worm, we think we see needle's eye to worm's eye with you on getting out in the open during the Summer. But we think we've got a pretty sharp needle point that just having Summer weather doesn't automatically give people time to get out and bask in the sun.

We think there's enough money around this College to give loans to those people who have to work too many hours during the Summer. Recreation Coordinated may do a fine job, but you have to have some time before you can buy any stock.

—GABRIEL

Members of Delta Gamma sorority at the University of Akron, hearing that men students were buying fewer defense stamps than were the co-eds, offered a kiss with each stamp sold on "bargain" day. The usual day's sales had been \$8. "Bargain" day hit \$30.

Well, DG's, what are you waiting for? We're willin'.

**Peck Named New Cheerleader Head**

Charles E. Peck '44 was named new cheerleader head at a meeting held last night. In addition to this selection, new cheerleaders were named.

The new group is composed of four sophomores and eight freshmen. The following are the new leaders: sophomores—Paul Frey, Frank R. McKain, Roy W. Snyder, and first alternate, William R. Pomerantz. Freshmen—Michael A. Blatz, Harold H. Benjamin, Fred Zurm, Hugo R. Larson, Robert E. Petersen, and Robert S. Farnsworth. John D. Harlan and Leonard Freedman will serve as first and second alternates respectively.

Peck will succeed John W. Dague '42 as cheerleader head.

**New Course Offered**

Literature of the British Dominions and Colonies will be offered during the Summer semester by the department of English Literature for the first time.

English Literature 70, the new course, will be offered on Mondays and Fridays at 9 a. m. and Wednesdays at 2 p. m. by Professor Sutherland, who has made extensive studies in these literatures.

**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

**TODAY**

Thespian tickets are now available at Student Union, price 50 cents.

Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk, assistant chief of Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will speak in 119 New Physics building at 8 p. m. tonight on "Conquest of the Land Through 7,000 Years."

Baseball with West Virginia, New Beaver Field, 4 p. m.

**TOMORROW**

Dr. Vernon G. Schaefer, associate professor of psychology in extension, will lead a discussion on safety training at the meeting of the Safety Conference in Chicago, Ill.

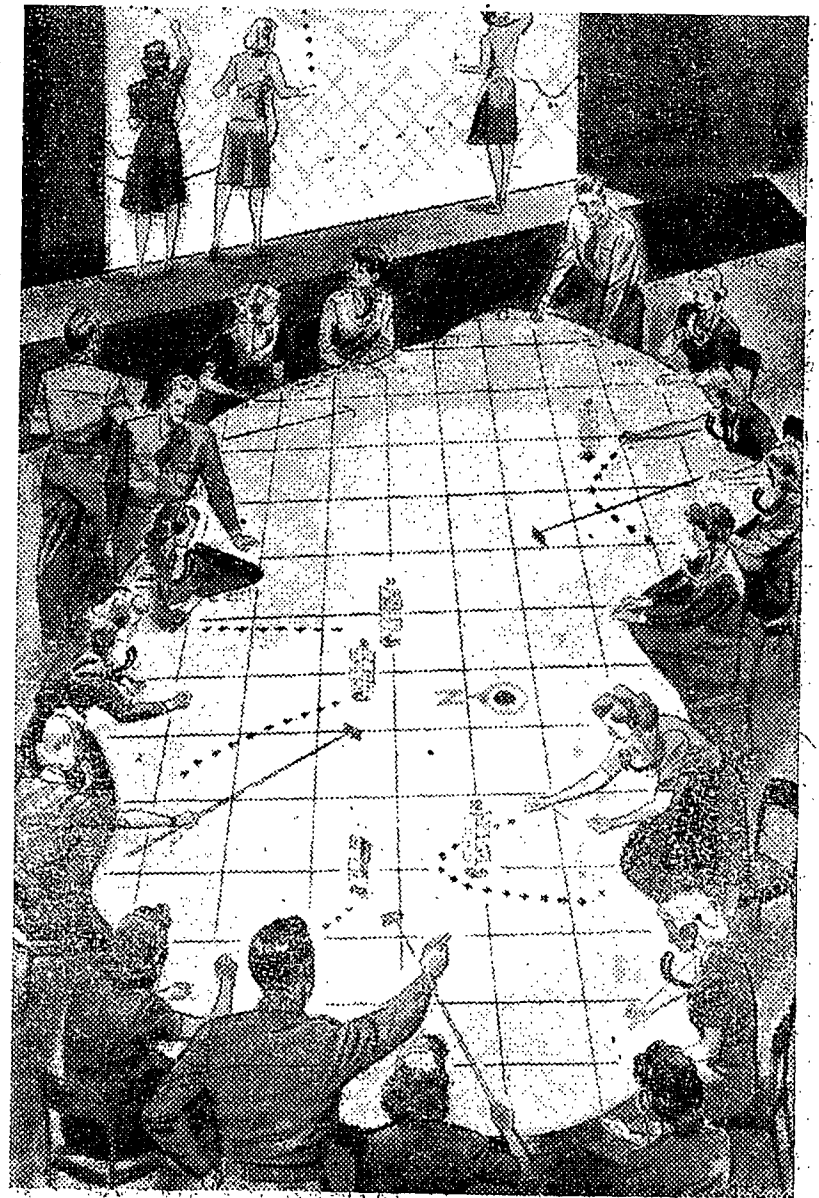
The Lutheran students will hold a cabin party at Watts Lodge. Meet at the church at 1:30 p. m.

Baseball with West Virginia, New Beaver Field, 3 p. m.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Junior Prom tickets are on sale at the Athletic window. The price is \$4.

Names of all officers of fraternities, honoraries, clubs, and other organized college groups must be turned in to Student Union this week in order to be included in the Student Union Directory.



**Friend or Enemy?**

**They're taking no chances**

Day and night thousands of civilian volunteers at Army authorized observation posts report Aircraft Flash Messages to Army "filter" centers—by telephone. From this information, each plane's course is charted on filter maps... relayed to operations boards such as the one shown above—by telephone. Should checking prove the aircraft to be an enemy, the telephone would play an important part in the defense strategy... in warning endangered communities... in mobilizing civilian defense units.

Bell System men cooperated with Army authorities in designing and providing the telephone facilities used by the air defense system. This is but another example of a war-time job well done.



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