

ROTC Department May Obtain Signal Corps Unit

Administration Council Approves Suggestion; 'Chance Good'—Ardery

Better than average possibilities that Penn State's ROTC department may be expanded with the addition of a Signal Corps Unit next semester were revealed last night by Col. Edward D. Ardery, head of the department of military science and tactics.

Colonel Ardery received a suggestion from the War Department Saturday that the College investigate the chances of setting-up signal corps training. The Council of Administration approved the proposal at their meeting yesterday morning. Colonel Ardery has notified the War Department of this action and expects to have definite word from them before the end of the week.

If the unit is established it would affect students in the electrical engineering and physics departments directly, with a possibility of students in mechanical engineering, meteorology, and geophysics also being trained in this division.

Colonel Ardery stated that the proposed unit would begin training present freshmen in those courses when the Summer semester begins May 18. Under a concerted program they would be credited with a two-year basic Signal Corps course at the conclusion of their sophomore year.

Freshmen entering June 8, taking the Signal Corps course, would form the first full-fledged class in this unit. As yet there are no indications that enrolling in the Signal Corps will be compulsory for students in any of these courses. It will be up to both the students and the ROTC department to decide just which students will be enrolled.

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Leyden Crowned King Of The Hot Dogs

"King Hot Dog of the Class of 1942" was the title bestowed on James A. Leyden at the senior hot dog roast Sunday afternoon. He was crowned with a ring of baloney as the "smoothest man-about-town in the senior class."

Winners of the two-dollar cash awards for the best Lion Coats were William F. Collins and Arlene K. Smith.

Students Support Speed-up Program In U. S. Colleges

By Associated Collegiate Press
Almost half the high school students in the United States favor an accelerated college program that will enable them to complete their educations more quickly, as called for by present emergency.

This was revealed today when results of a survey conducted by Northwestern University among 9,354 high school students throughout the country were announced.

Forty-eight per cent of the students queried said they preferred one of three types of accelerated programs to the traditional four-year course with annual summer vacations. Percentages ranged from 35 per cent on Chicago's North Shore to 54 per cent in the western states.

Fifty per cent of the men and 45 per cent of the girls favored acceleration, but indications were that many men voted against speed-ups because they must work during Summer vacations.

Most popular of three suggested faster programs was one calling for three regular years and two Summer quarters, averaging 16 or 17 hours, with graduation coming in June of the third year. This was selected by 20.6 per cent of those voting, or 43.5 per cent of those favoring acceleration.

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Students To Get Ration Books

Air Corps Board To Start Tests

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Following up their visit to the campus last week, Army Air Corps-examiners will arrive here tomorrow morning to conduct examinations for students applying for enlistment in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve, Prof. Robert E. Galbraith, faculty advisor, announced last night.

Professor Galbraith stated that he would be in his office, 243 Sparks Building, all day today to answer any questions students making application might have concerning their applications or letters of recommendation.

He said that 220 students had taken application blanks and that he expected nearly 200 to return their papers in order, ready for examination by Wednesday. The papers are to be taken to the examining room when students go there for their tests.

The room in which the tests will take place will probably be 305 Old Main, Professor Galbraith said. Confirmation of this statement will be made tomorrow morning.

Required for eligibility to take examinations are a birth certificate, three letters of recommendation, and regulation application forms filled out in triplicate. As many students as desire and have papers in order will be examined. The board will remain as long as necessary.

Professor Galbraith stressed the need for students to have all their required papers ready when they apply for examination to facilitate the job of the board. He asked that anyone who was in doubt about the requirements see him sometime today.

Capt. Carl R. Russell, United States Army Air Corps, who was here to explain the plan to students at the mass meeting last week will head the examining board.



ASSIGNS RATION BOOKS—Edward K. Hibshman, secretary of the Alumni Association, who is in charge of registration for War Ration Books in the Armory. Students A-K will register tomorrow while those L-Z sign up Thursday.

State College Prefers Meters

Despite the demise of the automobile and its accompanying traffic problems, residents of State College still favor the retention of the parking meters.

The foregoing fact was revealed in a special survey conducted by Prof. L. P. Guest, instructor in education and psychology at the College, as reported to borough council last night.

The survey was carried out at the request of council as a result of a petition favoring the reduction in number of the local parking meters, recently presented by more than 90 per cent of the local businessmen.

As disclosed in the poll, only 35 per cent of all people interviewed actually favored the abolition of the parking meters, whereas 41 per cent signified that they wanted the meters retained. Sixteen per cent expressed no preference and 8 per cent professed no knowledge of the question.

Players Bring Back Murder Comedy As Annual Commencement Play

Murder will again hit the campus this weekend when the Penn State Players revive as their annual Commencement play, the corpses in "Mr. and Mrs. North," which they murdered way back on March 20 and 21, in their first presentation of the hilarious crime comedy.

Students who witnessed the "whodunit" thriller are urged not to divulge the name of the murderer, one of seven suspects, in the plot revolving around a Greenwich Village writer and his hair-brained wife.

Played by Don Taylor '42 and Sis Herrman '42, the title roles offer these stars of previous Players' shows their last opportunity to appear together on the stage of Schwab Auditorium. Taylor and Herrman have appeared as leads together in last year's "The Streets of New York," and "Goodbye Again." This year they have been in "The Male Animal,"

and "The Taming of the Shrew." Recent stars of the Mother's Day show, "The Beautiful People," Bob Herrman '44 and James Ambandos '43 play the respective parts of Detective Wiegand and his assistant, Mullins, who "knock themselves out" trying to unravel the mystery of who killed who and why.

Other members of the large cast who participate in the murder comedy and confuse the police are Buono, Jerry Haimsohn '42; Claire Brent, Jean Hershberger '43; Louis Berex, Scotty Keck '42; Jane Wilson, Joanne Palmer '43; Ben Wilson, Bill Reimer '45; Clinton Edwards, Sol Jaffe '42.

Cooper, Harold Chidnoff '45; Mrs. Brooks, Doris Lavine '44; Mr. Brooks, Leon Flook '43; Timothy Barnes, Milton Dolinger '44; Medical Examiner, Bill Bayer '44; Fuller Brush Man, Harold Raab '42; and Inspector O'Malley, Hugh Ridall '45.

Men, Women A-K To Register 9-5 Tomorrow, L-Z Thursday, In Armory

War made itself felt on the campus with the announcement that all students, men and women, including seniors, who are 18 years of age or over must register for War Ration Books in the Armory tomorrow and Thursday.

All persons whose last names begin with initials from A to K, inclusive, are scheduled to register anytime from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. tomorrow, and those with last name initials from L to Z, inclusive, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Thursday. Matriculation cards must be presented at registration.

Collegian Candidates To Meet Tomorrow

Freshman men candidates for the editorial and business staffs of The Daily Collegian must attend a compulsory meeting in Room 7, Carnegie Hall, at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow, Gordon Coy, editor of The Daily Collegian, announced yesterday.

Plans for the Summer semester, concerning new frosh beats and the subscription campaign, will be explained by members of the Senior Board, he added.

Harrisburg Wins One-Act Play Title

William Penn High School, Harrisburg, walked away with the best play award for the second consecutive year in the division of dramatics' seventh annual high school one-act play tournament held on campus the past weekend.

Directed by Joseph F. Reuwer, further honors went to the cast of "Smokescreen" when Portman Paget received the best actor award and Peggy Glenn, last year's best actress, given honorable mention.

Suzanne Howe, Philipsburgh High School, won the judge's decision for the outstanding actress for her role as the mother in "Georgie-Porgie." The best play was awarded a plaque, and the individual stars were given yearly subscriptions to "Theatre Arts Monthly."

Having difficulty in selecting the top artists, the judges picked two more students as recipients of honorable mention awards. Mitzi Archer, State College High School and Richard Langdon, Huntingdon High School, were granted these.

Under the supervision of Frank S. Neusbaum, assistant professor of dramatics, the seven high schools entered presented a varied program of one-act plays. The judges were Raymond W. Tyson, instructor of public speaking, John Miller, graduate in dramatics and Mason Whitmore, Yale University.

ROTC Deposits Available At Bursar's Thursday

"ROTC uniform deposits will be available at the office of the bursar beginning Thursday," it was announced yesterday by Bursar Russell E. Clark.

Towel and lock deposits may be collected by students, who have turned in their equipment, any time during the week.

Although only the first four of the 28 numbered stamps, which will be included in each book, are for sugar, the War Ration Book may later be used for some other product which may have to be rationed, and at that time the person may need stamps for those products.

Edward K. Hibshman, Alumni Association secretary, who is in charge of the registration, emphasized the necessity for the student to keep his book safely, since the war ration books may be used only by or for the person named and described in the book, and it is difficult to obtain another from the local Ration Board which issues the books. For future reference, the student should make and keep a record of the serial number of his book and the number of his issuing Ration Board as indicated in his book.

A person is entitled to a War Ration Book despite the fact that he may eat all his meals at a restaurant, boarding house, or similar place, and has no present intention of buying any sugar.

Students at the College who are residents of State College, Bellefonte, and vicinity, need not register separately since they will be included in their local family unit registration. The armory registration applies to those who have left home to attend college. The student's mother or father (Continued on Page Two)

Late News

BASEBALL SCORES

American League
New York 6, Chicago 1
Detroit 6, Athletics 4
Boston 11, Cleveland 8
Washington, St. Louis—Rain

National League
Chicago 6, Great Lakes T.S. 3
Cincinnati 15, New York 4
Pittsburgh 2, Boston 1

WASHINGTON—Fiscal officials disclosed today that the United States already has paid out in cash for this war as much as it spent during World War I.

BERLIN—German airplanes and submarines have sunk a 10,000 ton British cruiser in the Arctic Ocean. The cruiser was guarding a convoy which was bound for Russia. The Germans also claim to have damaged an aircraft carrier and several destroyers in the attack. There has been no confirmation of this action from Allied sources.

WASHINGTON—The State Department has just announced the occupation of the island of Madagascar by British troops. This has not been confirmed in London. The State Department said that the Allies would keep Madagascar in trust for France until after the war.