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Guaranteed Circulation!!

They find fault with the editor,
The stuff we print is rot;
The paper is as peppy as a cemetery lot;
The rag shows rotten management,
The jokes, they say, are stale.
The upperclassmen holler
And the lowerclassmen rail.
But when the Collegian is issued
(Say we with smirking smile)
If our subscriber doesn't get one,
You can hear him yell a mile.

Pin Jobs And Stuff

Alumna Kappa Peggy Embury is the possessor of an engagement sparkler via fi gam Roy Mangel . . . and the Kappas are swamping the postman now that Charlie Mattern and Ray Leffler are stationed at an Army Air Corps base in California . . .

Our Gamma Phi Beta agent reports that Dorothy Ellis has Bill Thompson's Lambda Chi Alpha pin . . . and Marion Owens now wears Hank Dietrich's Teke jewelry . . . fi sigma kappas Del Schreppel and Bob Roy are not minus their Balfour decorations . . . yet . . . but Rita Rokoez and Evelyn Koehler are in line.

Eddie Smith is twosoming with fi sigma kappa Dick Spurck, but the whole thing is STRICTLY platonic. She's still loyal to the U. S. Navy—she says. Ex-Collegian-Ed Bud Smyser, headed for V-7, was in town yesterday sporting a crew haircut and a bay window . . . doing well for himself on the Pittsburgh Press and still unattached . . . and Dotty Furman was seen on campus recently—reputed to be paying a visit to Buddy Loeb. Ah, Spring!

Coeds In Pants

A Wellesley correspondent informs us that Dr. Mildred H. McAfee, president of the Massachusetts Seminary, has stated that gals look awful in slacks.

It's all a matter of opinion, but Dr. McAfee is doing her best to get rid of the obnoxious pants. The fad hasn't hit Ath Hall so hard that our personal comments are required, but one Yale man stated, "Katherine Hepburn is the only woman who can wear them. All the rest resemble the view you get when you ride a horse backwards."

Naturally, only a Yale man would ride a horse backwards.

Campus Calendar

TODAY	TOMORROW
Rehearsal of all skits for freshman sports rally, White Hall Gymnasium, 1 p. m.	Chapel services, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a. m.
Penn State Club "All-College Dance," Rec Hall, 9 to 12 p. m.	Freshman mass meeting, Schwab Auditorium, 7 p. m.
Hours for listening to records in Carnegie Hall, 1 to 5 p. m.	Record concert, Hillel Foundation, 8 p. m.
Froth may now be obtained at Student Union.	Portfolio staff meeting at Portfolio office, 7 p. m.
Certificates for defense courses completed last semester should be obtained at Student Union immediately.	MONDAY Freshman registration, first floor lounge, Old Main, 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.
Rehearsal for WRA Sports Day, White Hall Gymnasium, 1 p. m.	Summer Inter-Session registration, first floor lounge, Old Main, 8 a. m. to 12 noon.

Letters To Editor

Equality, Economy Seen In Informal

Dear Sir:

After reading the editorial in the Vol. 39, No. 7 Collegian, I was rather shocked to learn that there was going to be another semi-formal Soph Hop.

A situation such as this always irks me because of the old saying, "If you can't do it right, don't do it at all." Of course this expression cannot exactly fit the case, but it can be modified a bit so as to mean, if the dance can't be formal, have it informal.

Since all effect is lost anyway when only half of the persons dancing are considered to be dressed formal, why do the coeds (and maybe a few imports) have to go to all the trouble to dress for a dance as if it were formal, while their escorts do not have to worry about it since they can wear anything from a sandpaper tweed to a burlap special?

If costs are to be brought into this argument, then may I mention the fact that there are always plenty of statements made about equalizing social opportunities. These statements must have always been made without considering the pocketbook of the little girl who must scrape together some pennies that someone dropped and think about buying a new evening gown.

She must buy a new one because she has worn the old one to about fifty different functions. (I have been led to believe that one does not like to wear an evening gown more than a couple of times.)

If these expense burdens cannot be shared by both parties concerned, then by all means have the dance informal.

F. Lloyd Convers '43

Semi-Formal Called High School Stuff

Dear Sir:

I assume by the statement that Soph Hop will be semi-formal, it is meant that men will wear street clothes while women wear formal dress. I had illusions before this announcement that the sophomores had outgrown their high school ideas, but I see I was wrong.

While in high school a semi-formal dance may have been something big to look forward to, but at college it is viewed, and rightly so, with ridicule. I ask the sophomores, "Why not make the dance enjoyable to both men and women by making it informal?"

J. Lloyd Huck '44

Fraternities At Crossroads

Simple arithmetic reveals that something may rip wide open next week. We hope these figures lie in their indications, but the present set-up points toward a period of competition and back-biting.

On Monday 600 freshman men and women are expected to register. At the same time 47 fraternities will be seeking financial salvation through freshman pledges. With registration (including first-year coeds) below last year's pledging record, the total will be sub-par. Almost every house is looking for ten new brothers. The influx of fraternity prospects cannot average more than five per house.

The IFC has done its best to facilitate the rushing procedure through its booklet and the new freshman directory which will offer helpful information about the pledges. Many other extensive preparations have been made and warnings issued on code violations.

This situation undoubtedly presents a crisis; it also presents a test of inter-fraternity cooperation. Reporting of house guests and recording of the pledge file as soon as possible is one way in which individual houses can contribute.

Although most of the freshman men entering Summer semester are probably financially secure and sincere fraternity prospects, there just won't be enough to go around. Rushing violations have already been reported and it is recognized that many more threaten. "Don't lose your heads" is good advice for harried rushing chairmen. The results of this tense situation are going to indicate whether inter-fraternity good-will is more than a written constitution.

Shake hands and come out fighting, but keep your punches clean.

—H. J. Z.

Nittany Honor Roll

Twice a week, this column will appear in The Daily Collegian with the purpose of informing readers concerning the whereabouts of Penn State men in the armed services of the United States.

Although most of our information is obtained from press releases sent out by the government publicity service, we will appreciate any additional contributions received from our readers.

Second Lieutenants Shirley K. Smith and Carl E. Zeigler are now instructing aviation cadets at the Greenville Army Flying School at Greenville, Miss., while Robert E. Maeser, a graduate of the Class of '42, reported May 27 for Naval Aviation Flight Training at the University of North Carolina. If he successfully completes this indoctrination course he will be advanced to pilot training.

Five Penn State graduates, who have left the Field Artillery Replacement Center at Fort Bragg, N. C., to attend the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., are Privates Jesse B. Guttman, Charles L. Cline, Frederick C. Dorn, Jr., Werner Lange, and John A. Baer. These men have just completed a one-month preparatory officer candidate course, and if they are successful in completing their training at Fort Sill, they will be awarded second lieutenant's commissions in the field artillery.

Graduation ceremonies at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., saw Cadet David Warren Miller commissioned a second lieutenant in the Chemical Warfare Service. Graduation was held May 29.

Navigation Cadet Charles J. Bradac has recently reported to the Army Air Force Flying School at Turner Field, Albany, Ga., for the final stage of training as an Army Aviation Cadet.

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