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Through The Needle's Eye

The issue of The Daily Collegian yesterday was an interesting sheet to us. We chewed a blade of grass reflectively and patted the camel on the nose.

"Kid," we said, "that's America." The camel wasn't much interested, but we stuck at it.

"Kid," we said, "do you know what's going on around this place? Friday night we're going to have a fashion show. Mr. Gerald B. Maxwell Stein has taken time away from confusing the PSCA-Cabinet issue to organize a play night for us folks. The most chic males on campus will whip around in the latest froth from fashion centers.

"And, guess what, Kid? Next Tuesday 2,000 students are going to put their lives on the line for democracy on the fifth R-Day. Of course, it may not seem very important to you, Camel, old fellow. It just strikes us that this is quite a country we've got here.

"You see, Kid, a couple of fellows named Kinter and Kimmel wrote a feature in yesterday's sheet, too. It was very interesting, Kid. It said: 'The blackout in general proved a good test for wardens and control men, showing their system as inadequate to take care of the unexpected happenings that arose.'

The camel shook his head sadly. "You catch on," we said. "Here's Colonel Ardey waiting for word from the War Department to see what's going to happen to students from Penn State. Two thousand students are registering for selective service; the boys and girls hold a fashion show; the Cwens are holding a dance to give scholarships; Mortar Board's Draftee Drag seems to have disappeared. Kid, do you see what we mean? It's quite a country.

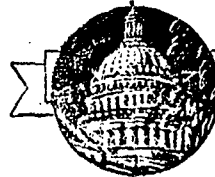
"This PSCA is kicking up quite a fuss, too. We've been shaking our heads about them, too. We were looking in the All-Heaven Constitution just today, and Article II, Clause 3 says: 'Member souls shall have the right to create or destroy their own salvation.' It seems to us that the PSCA must have found a loophole in the All-Heaven Constitution, because it certainly has challenged that right on the Penn State campus."

The camel rubbed his shoulder where it was sore from trying to go through the needle's eye.

"Maybe it's a subtle point," we said. "But 2,000 students are going to register next Tuesday, and the blackout didn't work, and Jerry Stein is running a fashion show."

The camel sneezed.

—GABRIEL



CAPITAL to CAMPUS

ACP's Jay Richter Reports from Washington

By JAY RICHTER
ACP Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(ACP)—The provision calling for \$10,000,000 in federal funds for wartime loans to students majoring in physics, chemistry, engineering, medicine, dentistry and pharmacy has been squelched in the House Appropriations Committee. An attempt to revive the measure is being made in the Senate.

Meanwhile, the U. S. Office of Education is working on broad plans for next school year which will integrate more closely than ever the work of the country's colleges and universities with the program for war.

Among these plans is an expanded vocational training program that will provide technical training to 300,000 men and women at government expense. The courses will be given at 250 colleges and Universities.

Journalists and professors proved the best "prophets" in anticipating the outbreak of war with Japan, according to a study made at Union College. The worst: missionaries and isolationists.

An office of Emergency Management movie unit is now on the road to record on celluloid a few of the outstanding contributions colleges and universities are making to the war effort. The results will be edited down to a 10-minute short scheduled for general release next Fall.

Those behind the project feel that colleges are doing "a whale of a job" on the war program. As an example—they point to Purdue University, which is producing parts for war equipment under a sub-contract from Washington Electric.

Civil Service needs investigators and is willing to pay \$2,600 a year to start. The exam titled "Junior Investigator" has just been announced recently. Some of you summer school students who are a little older than the average undergraduate may stand a good chance. Requirements are three years of experience—in investigation, in law practice, or in "responsible positions requiring resourcefulness" etc. However, you may substitute for two years of the three years, two years of college work. You must be at least 25 years of age. Ask at your postoffice for application blanks.

The PSCA Attacks

The battle between All-College Cabinet and the Penn State Christian Association has broadened into as many fronts as the present World War.

One day the PSCA is striking at technicalities in the All-College constitution; the next day the Association is contesting the authority and power of the student Cabinet itself.

Prior to last Tuesday's Cabinet meeting, the fight seemed to be focused on technical clauses in the student government constitution. The fight has been progressing in a manner becoming to any democratic governing group. On the floor of Cabinet, both factions offered proposals, argued, debated—just as any democratic body would settle disputes. That was the picture as it appeared prior to last Cabinet meeting.

Then it happened. Without warning, PSCA opened up on another front. Now, there is nothing underhanded about striking on a new front, as long as the attack is legitimate. Anything may be legitimate in a war—but this is student government.

The new front appeared Tuesday night at Cabinet meeting, when the PSCA representative refused to debate. By sitting mute, the representative stymied a democratic attempt to settle a dispute that has attracted campus-wide attention for more than a month.

Not only did the PSCA refuse to debate, but it also started operations which are destined to contest the ultimate power of Penn State's student governing body. Instead of attempting to settle the dispute within Cabinet, the PSCA presented a copy of the letter which was appealing the case to the Senate Committee on Student Welfare.

This Senate Committee, composed mostly of Administrative members, will investigate the problem and pass judgment on a case that could have been settled just as easily by student government. The Committee's verdict will be fair, and will be accepted by both the PSCA and Cabinet; but underneath, the verdict will be a blow to student government, regardless of whether or not the decision favors Cabinet.

Student government may be called student government just as long as it is directed by students. This does not mean that the Administration should never step in, because occasions may arise when both contesting parties believe that mediation by the Senate Committee offers the only solution to the dispute.


But PSCA has slammed student government by prematurely appealing the case. Cabinet has been forced into the backseat along with democratic student government, and the case now rests on the decision of the Senate Committee.

Send It To The Boys

The Flying Nittany Lions, who are now training at the Naval flight base in North Carolina, expressed in a letter to The Daily Collegian that the "boys" greatly appreciate the copies of this paper which were mailed to them during the past few months.

The boys in North Carolina were not too subtle with their hint—so why not collect a couple of back copies of the Collegian and mail them to some classmate who is now in the armed services of your country.

It's A
Penn State
Tradition



This Is The
Real
'College'
Have Dinner
Tonight

In
The
CORNER—Unusual

Campus Calendar

TODAY
Collegian sophomore editorial board meeting. All candidates must attend, Collegian News Room, 4 p. m.
Old Main Open House, Old Main, 7:45 p. m.
Hillel Friday evening services, showing of Palestinian movie, "They Build to Defend," Hillel Foundation, 7:15 p. m.
Blue Band concert, front of Old Main, 7:45 p. m.

TOMORROW
Baseball game with Washington and Jefferson, New Beaver Field, 2:30 p. m.
Tennis matches with members of the United States Naval Reserve, varsity courts, 2:00 p. m.

MISCELLANEOUS
Lion Coats may now be obtained at downtown clothing stores.
New Daily Collegian Summer sessions subscriptions may now be obtained from student solicitors or at the Collegian office in Carnegie Hall.

Letters To The Editor—Chapel Hill Trainee Appreciates Paper

Hi Editor:
Forty strong is the Penn State Unit here at the Navy Pre-flight School in Chapel Hill, N. C. Many of us never graduated and again many of us did—but all seem to have the same outlook, everyone of us carries a little extra something down inside which is memory.

Things are strict down here, as well they should be, but the switching from hell-raising college life into this system where hell is only a word has done much to reawaken all of us. "Town liberty," the much cherished opportunity of having the permission to go into Chapel Hill, comes but on Saturday and Sunday between very closely guarded hours. No beer, no whiskey! Cokes, milkshakes, limeades—yes, this is what we get to drink.

Fortunately, I'm lucky enough to be one of the fellows to receive a "Collegian" every day or so. And this rapidly becomes public property until finally it wears out from the endless foldings. This is my contact with Penn State. It is now practically our only active contact.

Another Angle

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Committee fulfill the requirements of being a representative judicial body appointed by the executive powers of the government and approved by the legislative body, i.e., Blakeslee and Cabinet?

Opening point in the PSCA's latest letter is that the writer of yesterday's editorial appealed to the President over the heads of Senate Committee, to whom the PSCA had filed a claim or appeal on Tuesday. Only difference is that B. M. W.'s appeal was literary while the PSCA's was official.

Also, the test of democratic powers is not before a board of review, as Stein suggests, but on the floor of debate where both sides are presented. PSCA has refused to argue and have stood unafraid behind their legal advisors.

Rushing customs, Lion Shrine—all the things that we were a part of at one time are made alive again—and this is no plug, rather it is a simple fact—almost entirely by "The Daily Collegian." I feel that I speak for the whole gang when I say that there isn't a thing, including 8 o'clocks, that we don't miss. 5:30 each morning sounds somewhat like house-party, but now after four weeks of it, I guess it was all a dream. Penn State at the dulllest moment is glamorous—too bad more people don't realize it.

But this is not a soliloquy. It's merely to let you know that "The Daily Collegian" is honestly appreciated these five or six hundred miles away from home.

One of Them.

Kids will be just as enthusiastic about school letting out for vacation as mother won't.