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Opportunity Knocks

PENN STATE students are being given a chance to show that their devotion to democratic principles is more than mere lip service.

One of the reasons given by College authorities for refusing admission of American students of Japanese parentage is that they fear campus attitude toward the West Coast transfers would be antagonistic.

Success of the petition campaign now being conducted by a volunteer committee would prove that their fear is ungrounded.

A successful petition campaign would show that Penn State students are not antagonistic to the admission of any of their fellow Americans because of "race, color, or creed."

It would mean that the student body is willing to accept Americans of Japanese parentage with the same friendliness that it has accepted citizen-students of German and Italian parentage.

A successful petition campaign would prove that our belief in democratic principles is sincere—that we are not willing to lose the war before we have a chance to win it.

Help put that petition campaign over the top. Sign up for democracy.

—L. T. C.

More Rationing

WITH EASTERN gas rationing in full swing at present, there has been some question as to whether this limiting of gasoline is as necessary as the federal government believes it to be. Probably the real reason behind gas rationing is the conservation of tires—but in this discussion, one person's opinion will carry just as much weight as his neighbor's.

The disclosure that there is an increase in the sugar supply has proved a source of embarrassment to the Office of Price Administration, because it was estimated that a shortage would develop, while in truth, warehouses are bulging and refineries are ceasing operations.

The sugar situation has even progressed to the extent that one OPA official has considered the possibility of having the nation's housewives store a year's supply in advance; however, the proposal has not meet with much approval from his colleagues.

Now there may not be much connection between sugar and gasoline, except that both are being rationed, and in both cases, the necessity of such rationing is not as evident as the government would like it to be.

Points To Success

SOPH HOP, which in past years has gained a reputation for being financially unsuccessful, will undoubtedly break over into the black side of the ledger tonight.

The dance will mark the first big weekend of Penn State's first Summer semester—and with this array of firsts, it may be a safe conclusion to say that Soph Hop will not only make money but will also serve as a much-needed break in the grind of Summer studies.

But in the midst of preparing for a gala weekend, don't forget to stop around at Student Union and pick up a defense stamp corsage. Which will be the official wear at tonight's dance. Last year's Senior Ball realized a profit of almost \$1,000 from the sale of stamp corsages, and now that America has become more war-conscious, there is a strong possibility that a new record will be set tonight, as far as stamp corsage sales are concerned.



Through The Needle's Eye

We were riding around in heaven on our camel's hump the other day when we came across Jane. Jane's in her senior year at Penn State now. You probably don't know much about her because she isn't the sort of person who attracts people like Campy or The Cub. She attracted us, though, because we're not used to finding Penn State students in heaven.

"I'm reading Collegian," she said, when we asked her what she was doing there. "My name's never in it, but I read it. It says here that Lehigh University is going to send two representatives to the College to discuss the problem, 'What Policy Shall the Allied Nations Adopt Toward the Axis Powers at the End of the War?'"

"Well," we said.

"Well, I dunno. Maybe it doesn't make much difference what they debate about around here, but I think they ought to make sure that we're really going to win this war before they try to decide how they're going to treat the Axis afterwards. I read in a paper somewhere that Americans were pretty smug and complacent about this thing and that they ought to get on the ball. If the war were even half over, it'd be different; but it isn't. It's just beginning."

"Are you on the ball?" we asked.

"I guess not," she grinned, "but I will be. You see, I just celebrated my own private Independence Day last week. I was 21 years old on the Fourth of July. It wasn't much of a celebration. All I did was go to the town carnival and parade, and I didn't feel very unusual, either, even though I was 21 on the Fourth of July and we're in a war. But I decided to get myself a defense job after I graduate."

"What are you majoring in?"

"Education. Sorta futile right now, I suppose, but I don't feel futile."

"In any activities?" we asked.

"Not so many. I belong to an honorary, and I'm a senior sponsor for Mortar Board. It's interesting to talk to the freshman coeds and tell them what Mortar Board told me to tell them. But when I do tell them, they just sit there. I guess they know more than I do about things. Makes me feel a little silly."

That's what Jane said when we met her in heaven the other day. We thought you might be interested. We remember one time when Jane was admonishing a guy for making mean cracks about someone she knew. The guy said, "Sorry. But I'm just blunt."

"Yeah," said Jane. "Not sharp, blunt."

—GABRIEL

Interest In Russian Rises

Russia's alliance in the United Nation's fight for freedom has aroused the interest of Penn State members in Russian customs, history, and in the Russian language itself.

Students, as well as faculty members, have already shown their interest in the Russian language, for enrollment in such classes has increased about 50 per cent over that of previous semesters.

Rev. Konstantine Aurorov, pastor of the Russian Orthodox Church in Phillipsburg, is instructor of the Russian-minded students. He received his education in a Moscow seminary and, more recently, in several American universities.

Interest in the Russian language has grown considerably throughout the United States, according to Rev. Aurorov. Government agencies, as well as other institutions, have recognized the need of conducting such courses.

Following Penn State's lead, Cornell University, in cooperation with the American Council of Learned Societies, will conduct intensive elementary and advanced Russian courses. Training in the language of the Cossacks is part of a nation-wide program to meet the pressing demands of the armed services and government agencies.

The courses, like those being conducted at Penn State, will aid in furnishing employees for military intelligence, censorship, and decoding agencies.

The First Marines Aeronautical Company was sent to the Azores in 1918 to keep German submarines a safe distance from American transports.

Campus Calendar

TODAY

Charlie Barnet will play for Soph Hoppers at Rec Hall from 10 p. m. to 2 a. m.

Defense stamp corsages are on sale at Student Union, price \$1. Players' show, "The Rivals," at 7:30 p. m., Schwab Auditorium.

Seniors should return their proofs to the Photo Shop immediately.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tickets for the Players' show, "The Rivals," to be given in Schwab Auditorium at 7:30 p. m. today and tomorrow, are now on sale at Student Union. Tickets can also be obtained at the door.

Co-rec swimming party to Whipple's Dam from 2 to 5 p. m. Sunday. Any one interested should sign up at Student Union by noon tomorrow. First 35 to sign may go.

3 Penn Staters Break Records

(Continued from Page One) three Penn State champs will be permanently recorded on the records of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, the organization supervising the milk-production tests.

"New title holders," the records will say, "are Sally, Topsy, and Starlight. Owner — Pennsylvania State College."

Because labor riots hampered the running of the railroads in 1877, U. S. Marines were stationed aboard the locomotives to restore order.

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