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## More Jobs Than Workers

With Penn State's first Summer graduation looming within a month, the Federal government is already casting anxious glances at the outgoing seniors who are needed to fill vital vacancies in many newly created departments in Washington.

Undoubtedly, competition has reached staggering heights—and unusual as it may seem, the employers are the competitors. Everyone recognizes that jobs far outnumber workers during the present emergency, and both the government and big business have entered into keen competition in their efforts to attract college-trained men into their own fields.

Big business, and particularly war industries, will need every available man or woman in 1943. The U. S. Employment service estimates that Pennsylvania alone will need 300,000 more workers during the next six months, if the proposed rate of war production is to be maintained.

But big business is not alone in its cry for additional workers. In Washington, the Federal Government is faced with a serious labor shortage, and to help offset this threat, Uncle Sam is making a special effort to employ graduates-to-be in the Civil Service.

For the third time this year, the Civil Service Commission is holding its Junior Professional Assistant examination for college students. Federal positions paying \$2,000 a year, which will be connected with the government's important war activities, will be filled by those attaining an eligible rating in the examinations.

Planned primarily to recruit college students who will graduate before the first of September, the examination consists of a general test designed to measure aptitude and general knowledge. Although no options are specified, qualified persons are particularly desired in the fields of business administration, public administration, economics, library science, statistics, and mathematics through calculus.

Whether the graduate will cast his lot with a government agency or a defense industry is a question which only he can decide. Washington officials are asking you to apply for Civil Service positions through your local post office; big business, alias war industry, is begging you to accept jobs on fast-moving production lines; but when graduation rolls around, Uncle Sam's Draft Board will probably hold most of the priority numbers on this Summer's graduates.

## Carrying The Fight

Not a day passes in Washington, but what some new idea is born which the inventor hopes will be highly instrumental in turning this war in Uncle Sam's favor.

One of the newest sentiments to arise in Congress favors the building of cargo-carrying submarines, which can be used as one of the safest methods of transporting supplies between the United States and her established battle fields on foreign fronts. Since the vessel would be able to travel while submerged in approximately 100 feet of water, it would be comparatively safe from attack by an enemy submarine.

Such a vessel is said to be in use by Germany at present in supplying her submarines which have been so successfully plying on American freight transportation along the Atlantic seaboard. Now that second front plans are being strongly intimated by the United Nations, it is imperative that some form of safe transportation be devised to supply the men and equipment that will carry the fight to the shores of our enemies.

## A Worm's Eye View . . .



We're gonna dust off our shoes and walk down this column shouting "Unity" until we've filled enough space to go home and sleep.

Ignoring the Maniac's column of last week, we have something to say about the way people stand at attention when these high school kids give out with "The Star Spangled Banner" every morning. We happened to be up early enough to be down on the mail on one of these occasions.

We looked up at the Library and saw people standing in formal postures on the steps and pausing long enough on their way in or out to listen to their national anthem. We saw a lone workman standing in a field near Carnegie Hall, listening all by himself. We watched groups of people near the entrance gates as they stopped chattering for a few moments. We saw ROTC men with their arms lifted in salutes. There must have been a couple hundred people on the campus mall at that time, all standing at attention.

So we're shouting "Unity."

We've seen it in the people who have invited out-of-town guests to attend. We've seen it in the whole-hearted cooperation various organizations have given in making posters, writing letters, working up skits, and doing plain, dull work on committees.

We've watched Victory Weekend grow from an idea to a working plan, with everyone taking part in it, whether in actual participation or in mere willingness to attend. And whether they're doing it for fun, prestige, or something to do, they all know that the proceeds will go to Army relief, and they're contributing. That's what we're calling Unity.

Don't go away yet. We have a closing inch or two. One of our professor friends stopped us at the fiesta last weekend and told us that he thought it would be a fine idea for the Collegian to send subscriptions to Penn State men who are now in the army.

"I'd be willing to pay for one subscription, and I'll bet there are other faculty members who would do the same," he said.

This statement was only one example of the way the whole campus has shown that it's thinking about defense. We like to know that people are united in their thoughts and purposes.

But our shoes are getting dusty again.

—FERDY

## School Principals To Hold Annual Banquet Tonight

Superintendents and principals of Pennsylvania, meeting on campus in a three-day conference, will attend their annual dinner at the Nittany Lion Inn at 5:45 p. m. today.

Dr. Francis B. Haas, superintendent of public instruction, will speak on "What's Ahead for Pennsylvania Education?" and Dr. M. R. Trabue, dean of the School of Education and director of Summer session, will talk on "Education in Our Times."

"Our Campus, Its Trees, Shrubs, and Flowers" is the subject of a speech by Walter W. Dainer, supervisor of landscape construction, in 110 Home Economics at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Conferences listed are "Teacher Supply and Demand and Problems of Re-certification" in Schwab Auditorium at 9:30 a. m., and "What Can the Public Schools Do to Foster Better Inter-American Relations?" in the auditorium at 2 p. m.

## Campus Calendar

TODAY

WRA Golf Club meets on Holmes Field, 7 p. m. Newcomers are welcome.

WRA Badminton Club meets in White Hall gymnasium, 6:30 p. m. Outdoor courts will be used, weather permitting.

WRA co-rec progressive bridge tournament in front of White Hall, 6:30 p. m. Everyone invited. Postponed in case of rain.

Campus '45 meeting, 411 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

Players' show, "The Little Foxes," Schwab Auditorium, 8:30 p. m.

Delta Sigma Pi, commerce and finance honorary, meets at TKE house, 7:30 p. m. for an important meeting.

WSGA House of Representatives meeting, 318 Old Main, 5 p. m.

Australian war movies, Hillel Foundation, 7 p. m.

## Germany Smells Oil

By MILTON DOLINGER

Rostov Falls! When that terse communique was flashed over the usually voluble Berlin radio, military observers all over the world agreed that Russia and the United Nations are on the threshold of a major crisis.

Over the same routes that saw the ancient barbarians swarm from Asia, the Nazi hordes are now moving to try to capture the strategic crossroads of three continents. With this conquest the Axis would control not only most of the oil of Eurasia, but would realize the beginning of the Nazi geopolitical scheme of the domination of Europe, Asia, and Africa.

Rostov—city of 500,000 inhabitants; important industrial center; junction of oil pipelines and railways from the Caucasian oil fields of Baku, Maikop, and Grozny—is but another stepping-stone in Germany's drive to bring the Soviet to her knees. Although the acquisition of the oil fields is an important objective, the cutting of Russia's major supply line is the prime one.

War materials flow into the USSR through the Near East. The main route covers air transportation of supplies across Africa from Freetown to Khartoum, thence across Arabia into Iran (Persia) and through the Caucasus into the Soviet. This line Hitler hopes to sever.

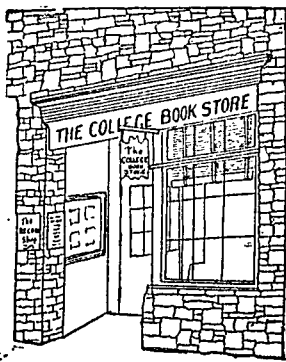
The means with which to accomplish this amputation lies in the defense of Stalingrad, Hitler's next victim about 250 miles north of Rostov. At Stalingrad, where the Volga and Don rivers almost form a junction, the Nazis can effectively bottle the Red supply line and dictate their own terms.

Russia is vitally dependent on these waterways to get those supplies into the interior. Then again, Rostov is only 400 miles from Baku, which supplies Russia with 70 per cent of her petroleum. Also, the south Russian area in the shade of the Caucasus mountains contains the best manganese deposits in the world.

So events in the next few weeks may decide the fate of the Russian oil fields and the Near East, and whether or not Hitler's dream of a world empire will be extended into Asia.

On The War Fronts—

## GEORGE GERSHWIN



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