

WRA Forms Square Dance

"Townspersons and students, get your date for WRA's dance fest, or come stag and meet a partner there," says Adele J. Levin '44, WRA vice-president and chairman of the All-College Square Dance.

Scheduled for the parking field opposite White Hall at 8 p. m. Friday, the affair will feature a rustic atmosphere, and dancers are asked to come dressed accordingly.

"That means blue jeans, plaid shirts, straw hats, and other wild west paraphernalia," Miss Levin explained. "However, any informal clothing is suitable since some students dating will be unable to come in costume."

Led by Chauncey P. Lang, associate professor of agriculture extension, students will "swing their partners" in popular square dances, tunes of which will emanate from a sound truck provided for the occasion. To vary the numbers, Miss Levin pointed out, social dancing will be called for at intervals during the program.

To add to the atmosphere, weiners and coca colas will be sold by members of WRA Club President's Board dressed as cowhands. Red and white-checked table clothes and lanterns will decorate the tables.

V-Minded Coeds Sewed Comfort Bags For Soldiers In 1917

Penn State coeds in 1917 were actively helping in national defense. The State College branch of the American Red Cross was organized for the first time and their first project was making comfort bags for the men enlisting in the Army and Navy.

These comfort bags were made to fold up into very small bundles. They contained such useful articles as buttons, thread, needles, darning cotton, pins, adhesive tape, and memo pads and pencils.

In the latter part of 1917 classes were organized for preparedness work and instruction in first aid work, home nursing, and dietetics. Classes had also been organized in wireless, signal, and clerical work.

While Penn State men were filing applications for admission to various training camps of the Officers Reserve Corps and enlisting in the Army and Navy, 70 of the women students enrolled in the College were being instructed one night a week in the use of the wireless and other telegraphic instruments. One-fourth of the coeds were studying flag signaling.

Classes were being held regularly in elementary hygiene, home care, and the preparation of surgical dressings.

Coeds today have opportunity for many more wartime activities. The airplane drafting course now being given to senior women by the School of Engineering is only one of many being offered. Upon completion of this course, women will be able to take responsible positions in defense industries. The main features of the course are blue-print reading and drafting. Other defense courses offered to coeds include nutrition of children, food preservation, clothing conservation, and family nutrition.

Delta Gamma entertained Chi Phi at a coffee hour last night. Martha E. Elston '45 was in charge of arrangements.

Woodrow E. Hoch '43 was elected president of Alpha Chi Sigma at a meeting last night. Other officers elected are James H. Gunning '42, vice-president; William R. Jacoby '44, recorder; and Robert Steinbruch, Alumni secretary.

140 Couples Attend IWA's 'Prairie Prom'

Approximately 140 couples attended IWA's All-College dance, "Prairie Prom," Saturday evening, according to Hazel E. Gassman '43, IWA president.

With couples dressing in the ranch theme, prizes were awarded to June R. White '45 and Jean Chovet Jr. '44 for the most original costumes. They each received a cowboy statuette.

"Prairie Prom" was the first All-College dance sponsored by the independent women, and Miss Gassman stated that it was a success.

A series of dancing classes for independent coeds is the next project of IWA. Classes will probably start before the end of the semester, Miss Gassman said.

The next meeting of IWA will be held in second floor lounge, Old Main, at 8:30 p. m. Thursday.

Blind Junior Ranks High

'Kitty' Is Poet, Scholar

By JANE H. MURPHY '44

A poet with her pen, a whiz with words, a scholar in studies, and almost totally blind is Kathryn Youorski '44, a sociology major in the Liberal Arts School.

With a keen sense of rhyme and rhythm, Kitty writes a variety of poems for her own enjoyment. When asked how successful attempts to get her poetry published had been, she answered, "I've had two answers—both rejection slips."

Miss Youorski graduated from the New York State School for the Blind in Batavia, New York, in 1940, and plans to aid in the rehabilitation of the adult blind, afflicted late in life, after completing a course in social work training here.

An associate member of the Penn State Players, Kitty has worked on paint and property crews. She is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman women's scholastic honorary, with a 2.2 All-College average.

Six members of Pi Lambda Theta, national women's education honorary, have volunteered to aid in Kitty's school work. Supplementing Mary Louise Meehan '44 and Alice Miller '44, who have been Miss Youorski's "right hand women" since her freshman year, will be Seniors Martha N. Albert, Esther M. Hall, J. Jeanne Kaiser, Elizabeth V. Paine, Beatrice E. Smith, and Ruth E. Stamm.

With the help of spectacles which aid in light reading but which "get in the way," Kitty is able to manage well by herself. Trips about the campus were learned in her first few weeks here, and she gets to and from classes independently.

Kitty's hobbies include singing, playing the piano, and listening to stories and readings on her specially prepared recordings.

Miss Youorski was receiver of a John W. White scholarship and holds a senatorial award.

Kitty's brother, Joseph Youorski '41, who did graduate work here for a year, is now stationed at Ft. Meade, Md.

Honorary To Close Stamp Campaign

Mortar Board, senior women's honor society, will conduct its final Defense Stamp Sales campaign for the semester Thursday night, Pauline Crossman '43, president, announced last night.

Sellers who will be stationed outside McAllister Hall and Atherton Hall dining rooms after dinner Thursday are Marjorie R. Chambers, Miss Crossman, Louise M. Fuoss, Patricia MacKinney, Margaret K. Sherman, and Lila A. Whoolery.

"We hope everyone realizes the value of our campaigns and 'chips in' on our final semester's drive on Thursday," Miss Crossman said. Sales to date since July 2 total \$56.50. According to the president, a similar program will be carried on next semester.

Mortar Board will announce the two coed recipients of \$50 scholarships to be awarded sometime during the next two weeks, said Miss Crossman.

Tri-Dorms Mirror History Of College From Its Founding

Behind the names of the men's dormitories, Irvin, Jordan, and Watts Halls, soon to be taken over by coeds, is a reflection of the history of the growth of the College from a building or two crowded among corn stalks to the well-planned institution of today.

Instrumental in the founding of the College at its present site instead of at some other point in the state was General James Irvin, for whom Irvin Hall, at first called Varsity Hall, was named after its erection prior to 1930.

The Board of Trustees was organized in Harrisburg June 14, 1855, and Frederick Watts was named first president of the board. He was a judge, railroad president, and first United States Secretary of Agriculture. Watts Hall was named for him.

Although the Board of Trustees had the authority to establish a college, they had no money to carry out their project. Several donations of land were offered from Allegheny, Blair, Centre, Erie, Franklin, Huntingdon, and Union counties. Separate communities also offered land donations. However, General Irvin's offer of 200 acres to the College and a subscription of \$10,000 from a group of citizens of Centre and Huntingdon counties was finally accepted.

General Irvin was a well-to-do land owner and proprietor of iron furnaces, according to a brief history of the College, "Your Penn State," written by Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men.

So, the College was established at its present site, surrounded by miles of farmland, woods, and iron furnace holdings, a day's journey by stagecoach from the nearest railroad station.

John Martin Thomas, ninth president of the College, was inaugurated in 1921. He instituted a campaign to raise a fund for student welfare buildings, and with the raising of one and one-half million dollars, Irvin and Jordan Halls were erected along with other campus buildings.

The site of the present tri-dorms was once an orchard of fruit trees, and like many of the other campus buildings, they were built from the funds of interested citizens of the Commonwealth.

Phi Mu held a picnic yesterday at the home of Mrs. Franklin L. Bentley, alumni advisor. Ruth Hannigan '44, social chairman, was in charge of refreshments.

We, The Women

If This Is A 'People's War,' Where Do The Coeds Come In?

Subtlety is the thing. Don't come right out and say that war news is serious—just hint around and stick a defense angle in the lead.

It's easier that way. People probably won't know what you mean and then they won't get scared.

All sorts of things might happen if they should recognize the precariousness of this nation's present position. Coeds might schedule defense courses or they might show a little interest in making bandages—and, maybe, they might even buy defense stamps from Mortar Board members.

Maybe it was the complete lack of subtlety in a prof's announcement, "Come five semesters a year, this course will have a final," which prompted us to try writing straight facts with no concealing embellishments.

There's a war. Right now, it's bad. Before it will get better, this nation must produce a lot of guns, bullets, tanks, and ships, and train men to use them. All that takes money. You could help raise this money by purchasing defense stamps.

Archibald MacLeish, director of the United States Office of Facts and Figures, says that this war is not a soldier's war but the people's war. He seems rather confident that everybody realizes this.

If he weren't such a busy man helping to figure out what everybody should think and feel about the war, we would suggest that All-College Cabinet or somebody

ask him up to Penn State for a weekend.

We would like to watch his reaction to the fact that the majority of students remain unaware of the war.

Maybe he could think of new ways to urge coeds to make bandages. Maybe he could explain why they should plan now to schedule defense courses next semester.

Maybe he could even convince them to buy a defense stamp in the final sale by Mortar Board members Thursday night after dinner.

Theta Frosh Down DGs In Golf Match

Theta Freshmen Betsy Fleming and Mary Ann Higgins defeated Delta Gamma Seniors Sue Hay and Marge Zint by a score of 4 and 3 in Friday's intramural golf match.

As this was the first defeat suffered by the Delta Gammas and the Thetas had been previously defeated by the Gamma Phis, it will be necessary for the two teams to engage in a final match, which will be played off at 4 p. m. Thursday, to determine the championship.

Club To Hear Lecture

The Home Economics Club will hold its last meeting of the semester in 110 Home Economics at 7 p. m. tomorrow. Miss Rosalind M. Jewett, associate professor of home economics extension, will lecture and show movies on Alaska taken on her travels.

Mary Jane Head '44 will preside at the coffee hour following the lecture, assisted by E. Rosene Stauffer '44.

Rides Wanted

PW — To Sunbury. Leave Aug. 28, 6:30 p. m. Call 3183. Joe Meiser.

PW — Horseback riders to leave stables rear of Glennland Pool to College Farms and vicinity. Phone Dave, 3951. 8tpd 14to25

RW — A ride to Philadelphia or vicinity for two fellows on Aug. 28. Leave anytime after 2 p. m. Call 4255 and ask for Pete.

RW — Chicago or vicinity. Leave about Aug. 28. Call Henry 4255. 2tpd 15,18

RW — Round trip to New York. Leave Aug. 28 after 12. Call 4933. Held or Gene. 2pdt 15,18B

RW — Harrisburg. Leave Friday. Return Sunday. Call George, 2700. 4tcomp 18, 19, 20, 21 C.

RW — Washington, D. C., or vicinity. Leave August 28 or 29. Call Golab at Collegian office.

Honorary To Initiate

Theta Sigma Phi, women's journalism honorary, will initiate Lillian M. Brandt '43, F. Doris Stevenson '44, and Mary J. Winter '44 in the Alpha Chi Omega suite at 7 p. m. tomorrow.

CLASSIFIED SECTION

FOR RENT—Spacious two-room "apartmentette." Clean. Cozy. Comfortable. Convenient. Only 20-second sprint from main gate. Avoid rush by calling 4353 or contacting Bailey & Clever at Collegian office. 4tcomp 18, 19, 20, 21.

LOST — One black Eversharp Viewpoint Pencil, black pen to match, black pocket knife. Marked Farnham Mfg. Co. Reward. Call King, 3rd Jordan. 1t 18.

WANTED—Person for evening janitor work. Stop at Greyhound Post House or call 4181.

LOST—Key ring, 6 keys. Call Jack Smith, 761. -tpd 18 G.

WANTED—Good Alto Sax man for lead in small dance band. Call Randy Rice, 2824.



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