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Home On The Gridiron

The frosty bite of Fall winds, snap of the quarterback's signal, and the crack of toe against pigskin all serve as reminders that football is in the air and the first game only two weeks away. With preparation for perhaps the last regular season of collegiate football comes the announcement that the Office of Defense Transportation has requested all college football authorities to develop such individual plans for games as will eliminate mass travel of weekend crowds by bus and railroad.

Fortunately for Nittany students a good roster of home games is listed but Cornell, Penn, Pitt, and Lehigh are away games that usually attract student caravans. Close supervision by college officials over the distribution of tickets to games has been suggested as one way to control the influx of fans. Already the University of Pittsburgh has tightened up ticket distribution with this end in mind.

Joseph B. Eastman, ODT Director, in his original appeal stated, "I am not unmindful of the benefits derived from college football and other types of sports events, and I am well aware of the desirability of continuing these games. Through the cooperation of the public in refraining from travel, we hope to assure conditions which will make possible the continuance of sports events without depriving those who must travel of essential transportation facilities."

We consider that as framing the question very nicely. However, Mr. Eastman need not be so concerned about Penn State students using the buses or railroads. He never had occasion to make transportation arrangements to enter or leave the Nittany Valley else he would not be so perturbed.

However, fans who planned to follow the team this year may take his bit of advice for serious consideration. Maybe the home games will be enough. We feel they should. —H. J. Z.

The Hig Comes Through

When the editorial columns begin to buzz with football atmosphere, it is a sure sign that the first game is looming in the near future. Sport news is usually found on page three of the Collegian; but three or four times each year, this page drops its editorial dignity in order to satisfy an urge to comment on collegiate sports.

It is now ancient news—this fact that Penn



Native Hues

The big talk in little groups this week is the 8:30 curfew.

"Yes." "No." "Well, I think it's terrible. What are they trying to do to us?" "Oh, it's not so bad." "Well, I don't know—"

Many of these talking machines have read only the headlines or just listened to what a friend heard from somebody else about all this. Everyone's heard of the old parlor game where the person at the head of a line whispers a name to the guy next him, and so on down to see what name comes out at the very end. Turns out pretty funny sometimes, doesn't it? And more often than not, the name at the end is nothing like the one the first guy started off with.

That's the way it is with rumor campaigns, too. The last guy is likely to find himself way out in left field.

Yesterday we happened to attend the Cabinet meeting which discussed the various appeals for exemption from the 8:30 curfew. And as a visitor looking over part of the machine that runs this school we were satisfied with what we found.

Dean Warnock is quoted as saying: "Student government is the established agency of the student body for making uniform procedures." There was no monkey-business yesterday. No time wasting. The students who are the Cabinet listened to the student representatives of various organizations appeal their cases, and then decided them. Each decision was based on what has been established as NECESSARY to our war program. No trying to "out-do" anybody, no trying to "do anybody out." And these students are in a better position to decide than those who sit over cokes and cigarettes carrying on rumor campaigns.

You can't buy a second cup of coffee or tea at the restaurants any more either. Nor as much sugar as you want.

On the whimsical side, a student was heard to remark, "I'm glad my mother never allowed me to start drinking coffee. Now I won't miss it."

At this point it may be trite to say again **This is a war. We will have to make some sacrifices.** But each day this statement gains a little more significance.

When gas rationing was first proposed, there were quite a few people running around, whining "My God, how are we going to live without it—?" A few weeks later it became a Program, and we're doing all right by it.

It's amazing what you can do when you have to. —Jackson.

State's frosh have been granted permission to participate in varsity sports for the duration. But it is not at all unusual to find ancient news on the editorial page, because it is often a policy of this page to portray any and every topic that arises, whether it be historical in nature; or in contrast, a prediction about something that has not yet happened.

But before we get too involved in our own statements, we will return to the discussion of sports. When the frosh eligibility rule was up for discussion at the Athletic Advisory Board meeting last Saturday, Coach Bob Higgins was called before the Board to express his views on the matter.

Now it is well known that the Hig had been subject to a certain amount of criticism around Nittany Valley, simply because he had not protected his grid personnel by getting it safely tied up in the reserve, away from the long fingers of Uncle Sam's draft. If Penn State had not lost so many gridders via the selective service, it would now be unnecessary to use frosh on the varsity squad.

But the Hig came through in perfect style. He said that a lot of his fellows wanted to get into the army, and that he wasn't going to try to persuade them to stay out. If they wanted to go, there was no reason why he should try to keep them here. I was over there in '18, and I know how the boys feel now, the Hig concluded.

No one will say that the Hig is putting football ahead of Uncle Sam's army.



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Drawn for Office of War Information

40 Students Enlist In U.S. Marine Corps

(Continued from Page One)
Pittsburgh.

Those who have reported their enlistments to Galbraith's office include Macy B. Alexander '44, Leonard I. Beerman '46, Milton J. Bergstein '44, Stewart H. Burnes '44, Warren S. Conrad '46, Robert J. Fast '43, Michael Gales '43, Gerard T. Chiurawzi '44, Robert W. Christy '45, Frank W. Doyle '44, Stuart C. Kines '44, Robert L. Nicholson '43, Edward R. Pollock '43.

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CAMPUS CALENDAR TODAY

WRA Golf Club instruction by Bob Rutherford, golf course, 10 a. m. to noon.

PSCA hike and cabin party for freshman women. Leave in front of Home Ec Building, 1:30 p. m.

SUNDAY

Wesley Foundation Services, Church School, 9:30 a. m.

Wesley Fellowship League, 6:30 p. m.

Wesley Friendly Hour, 8:30 p. m. Chapel, Chao-Siu Tsai speaking, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a. m.

MONDAY

'46 Independents, final nominations, 405 Old Main, 7 p. m.

'44 Campus, 417 Old Main, 7 p. m. Nominations.

'46 Campus, nominations in Old Main, 7 p. m.

'44 Independent, nominations in Old Main, 7 p. m.

IWA Council meets, 305 Old Main, 7:40 p. m.

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