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Does She Have It?

Many students are proud of the part they play in extra-curricular activities and according to usual standards they are justified. But to a defense-conscious Betty Coed the whole system is a waste of time.

In all the hub-bub of campus activity, it seems rather queer to come across someone who has taken a little time from defense acceleration to draw back and reason a few things out. Last night we bumped into this diminutive coed and in ten minutes found that a casual conversation had developed into something resembling a philosophical discussion.

Among simpler things, she wanted to know just what good we are doing by entering into dramatic presentations, debate contests and newspaper activities. All such action is futile, she contended, and propounded that 5,000 students on this campus are searching for something which they have not yet been able to find.

This petite young damsel had found that "something." It wasn't in extra-curricular activities or in snap courses. She claims it's in good hard "hittin' the books." Funny thing is that she is not the "grind" or "bookworm" type. This, we think, is indicative of the changing mood on this campus.

However, in justification of activities we find we must disagree with the young lady and others of her thinking on one thing. You see, some of us realize that we are searching for that intangible "something." Others of the 5,000 plug along doing what they are told and pitching their mite for defense or the war effort.

Until the day when that "something" takes form and becomes a tangible goal, most of us will continue expending our efforts in activities to which we have become accustomed. Not many of the 5,000 have had more important things disclosed to them. No, Miss War-conscious Betty Coed, we may not be offering very much constructive to the Victory Effort but our energies and abilities are in training. They are alive. We cannot permit ourselves to lose interest in the human trivialities that have become important to us.

When the proper time comes, when we discover that "something," when our job is shown to us even more clearly, we will throw away our "childish things" in keeping with our destiny.—H. J. Z.

Let's Open It Up—

We are not alumni. But if we were alumni and were coming to Penn State for Alumni Homecoming we would certainly want to look around the campus.

One of the best places to view the campus is the Tower of Old Main so it is only logical that alumni will be climbing four flights of steps in Old Main, probably with a wife and several children in tow, just to show the family what a bird's eye view of Penn State looks like.

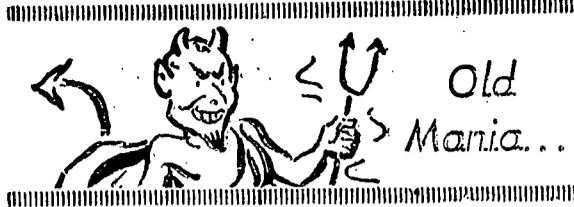
But unless Edward K. Hibshman, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, does something soon, there are going to be a great number of these alumni who will be disappointed.

After hiking and puffing their way to the Tower door on the fourth floor, they're going to find the door locked.

Mr. Hibshman didn't lock the door and Mr. Hibshman certainly had nothing to do with the ban against letting visitors go up in the tower, but as executive secretary of the Alumni Association and program chairman for Alumni Homecoming, he must certainly be in a position to ask for the reopening of the Tower, even if it's only for the week-end.

There is no reason why the Tower should be closed, and there is no reason why someone can't do something to have it opened.

—M. A. B.



Cornell Aftermath

Cornell's Dutch Kitchen management and some of our local boys are not on spiking terms... Ithaca's "prize" drinkery claims that much of its silverware, glasses and milk bottles are now in State College... Could Be!

Professor Art Davis lectured on the evils of tobacco and LIQUOR, but the glasses drowned him out... so he tried a few milkshakes himself... Three PS Sigma Nu's were caught with their britches down on the second floor of the Ithaca chapter house... they forgot that coeds are allowed on the second floor... Bob Koch, Bill Masseth, and Larry Andrews still had headaches last night... One sober DU was seen eating bread with a carving fork... And Chuck Board found himself masticating potato salad with a gravy ladle.

Mickey Blatz reports that Cornell's Thetas and Alpha Phi's are solid—they are a cross between a Kappa chassis and an AChiO smile... incidentally for what paper was Bill Lundelius reporting as he viewed the game from the shelters of the press box... was it the Conshohocken Express Limited?

Local Stuff

Jack Weber got his fisigmakappa pin Sat. noon... that nite Theta Mary Lou Hansen got it... fast walkers, these thetas. The few lads and lassies who did not hitch to Cornell were seen at White Halls football dance: Lou Bordo... Ed Trybala and Elinor... Ginger Sykes-Dean Stambaugh... Harold Marsh-Skip Ramaley... Jean Batz... Betty Dux... Lew Mammel-Lois Lunn... Clair Jackson... Helen Oomph Keefauver and a Navy man.

Manny Aronson and Vivien Levine are THAT way... ditto Len Freedman and Claire Levine... AChiO Mickey McFarland has Bob (sloppy shoes) Roys fisigmakappa pin... And Evy Williams was seen with Charley Good at the fikappasig pledge dance. Agent L-9 1/4 wants to know who Bob Foltz was kissing behind Schwab last night? Bea Russ is a woman of few words—says Oscar—but she always repeats them. They're still talking about DTD's baby party.

Theta alumna Georgia Powers, ex-Collegian Women's Ed, is now a WAAC second lookie... Posey Schearrer and Andy Lewis (Les Lewis' kid sister) are two new Thetas worth looking at.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK—Necking is like swimming... it takes practice to enjoy it... It's easy as making pie—all you need is plenty of crust and a lot of applesauce. —MANIAC

We, The Women Pardon Us— Are You Sleepy?

Feeling both reactionary and radical, we want to shout that the biggest reason women students are not physically fit is simply that they do not get enough sleep. It's time we stop kidding ourselves that drilling or heaving a silverware, glasses and milk bottles are now in State College... Could Be!

Let's be analytical. According to health experts, one needs vitamins, exercise, and sleep for fitness.

Because dormitory dining commons are supervised by experts, coeds can secure proper food—if they are sensible enough to go to meals.

As for exercise, the situation is not so bad as we like to believe. (This is a big campus; the average coed must move a few muscles just to go to classes.)

Undoubtedly, more exercise would be highly beneficial. White Hall is not used as it should be. Why not admit that the same few coeds ever cross the White Hall welcome mat? Without suggesting compulsory physical education, we advocate credit for sports participation.

We want a system by which women could exercise at White Hall—any kind at any time—for three hours each week and receive one credit. Only by offering some incentive and freedom as to choice of sport can physical educators hope to tear upperclass women away from bridge tables and gossip sessions.

What about sleep? Coeds from freshmen to seniors declare that it is impossible to study in dormitories before 11 p. m. or midnight. How can anyone either study or sleep while victrolas blare and people run and scream in corridors?

Hostesses shove the problem to student proctors. Proctors evade the question by asking, "Would you like to give your friends blackmarks?" "No" is the obvious response, and bedlam continues.

Why can't something be done? If the College should ever be placed under military rule, as it was during the last war, hostesses and students alike will find themselves doing far worse things than asking thoughtless noise-makers to be quiet.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

- WRA Tennis Club meets, courts, 4 p. m.
WRA Archery practice, targets, 6:30 p. m.
WRA Bowling Club meets, alleys, 6:30 p. m.
Important Archery Club meeting for new and old members, 3 White Hall, 6:30 p. m.
Special Blue Band practice 5 p. m. without instruments on golf course.
Election of PSCA Freshman Council officers in 405 Old Main, 7 p. m.
Motion pictures of Cornell-Penn State football game in 405 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

Ross Praises

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The last Democratic state administration proved its faith in the College when it appropriated \$10,000,000 for a special building program, the gubernatorial candidate reminded, with typical political astuteness.

"Penn State," he added, "is serving to justify that faith by its every wartime action."

Mass Meeting

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(probably Sparks or Old Main) and the rooms to be occupied by each of the officers will be announced in tomorrow's issue of the Daily Collegian.

Students are asked to remember that the Joint Board does not function as a recruiting unit, and will accept no enlistments during its stay on campus. Its mission will be to present complete information on the reserve programs to the students, and to interpret new developments in the program as they would affect college students.

According to Galbraith the Joint Board will be followed in its visit to Penn State by special recruiting units, representing each of the five services, within a period of two weeks.

All enlistments, save those in the AER which would be made through the College ROTC Department, will be handled at that time through the proper recruiting board.

Advertisement for 'The Corner' featuring a large graphic of a corner and the text 'AT CAMPUS CROSSROADS' and 'The Corner unusual'.

Stamp Sale Totals \$425 For October

Table listing stamp sale totals for October, including items like Beta Sigma Rho, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi, etc., with prices.

Advertisement for 'Sweeping The Country' featuring 'Reclon's' nail enamel and lipsticks, with images of the products and a testimonial from 'Mrs. Miniver Ross'.