

### With Your Help, Penn State Can Have A Daily Newspaper

Two weeks from today, All-College elections will be underway, and Penn State politicians will vie for positions of leadership in student government. In past years The Daily Collegian has assumed an unbiased stand, and has attempted to give a fair and objective report of the proceedings of both the Campus and Independent political entities. For this reason, the Collegian has remained in the background of the election battle.

This year, however, The Daily Collegian will take a special interest in the coming elections. No, the paper will not favor the Independents, nor will it swing its weight with the Campus party. Instead, The Daily Collegian will present its own issue—the check-off system—to the student body for its approval.

In brief, the check-off is a system whereby each student will pay for a Collegian subscription on his regular semester fees. This plan is already used by many of the large colleges and universities throughout the nation, and in each case, the results have been decidedly successful.

This is not an attempt by the Collegian to become fat and rich on a regular income. Instead, the paper is only trying the most feasible plan for ensuring daily publication for the duration of the war. In times of emergency, few public services are of more importance than newspapers, which must keep America informed about every new and vital move that the government is taking in the prosecution of the war.

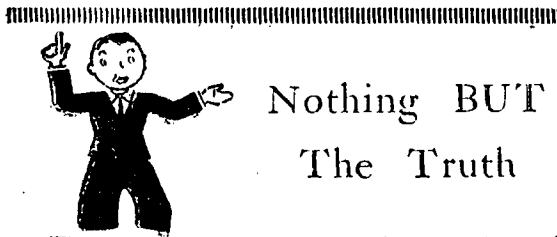
But strangely enough, it is in these times of emergency that the same newspapers are in the greatest depths of financial depression. It has been estimated that only 10 per cent of the newspapers in America are now making a profit, simply because the paper's greatest source of revenue—advertisements—are at a low ebb during war times. Priorities, price ceilings, and other restrictions so affect merchants and business men, that they find it useless to advertise, and as a result, the American newspaper must face a serious financial handicap at a time when it is called upon to perform its greatest service to the nation.

The Daily Collegian is no exception to the rule. Like many other American newspapers, it is in the midst of a financial depression, and at a time when the paper can be of the greatest service to Penn State. More important changes are now made by the College in one month than were made during a period of one year during peacetime. Students who are affected by these changes must be informed immediately if the College is to realize the greatest benefits from its accelerated wartime program.

Under the old system, however, it will be practically impossible for the Collegian to maintain daily publication during the coming semester. But, with the support of every student, Penn State CAN have a daily paper for the duration of the war.

To every student, it will mean only a very slight increase in regular semester fees. In fact, the subscription price will be reduced about 40 per cent under the amount charged for the paper this semester. This reduction will be possible because every student will be paying for the paper through his College fees.

Penny for penny, The Daily Collegian fee will bring you greater returns than any other miscellaneous assessment on your College fees. With your support at the All-College elections, Penn State CAN have a daily paper for the duration.



(The opinions expressed in this column are those of the columnist, and are not necessarily those of The Daily Collegian.)

**Biggest Event of the Week:** Ensign Les Shultz '41 of "Shultz is Dead" fame, in town for the weekend with a real thriller to tell about the sinking of the aircraft carrier Wasp. He proved beyond a doubt that life can be hell on a sinking carrier set afire by three Jap torpedoes.

His story would fill twenty columns this size, but the part that hit us most was his description of the men who were refueling the carrier's planes; the scene he pictured of many of them burning alive as angry flames ignited the gas rushing from the hoses they held while trying to refuel the rapidly departing aircraft. Then their screams as they fell to the deck, leaving the hoses to kindle the deathly inferno.

It wasn't a very likeable picture, nor was the idea of Les swimming around in the water for two and a half hours after the order to abandon ship came.

Food for thought, we'd say offhand.

We did take time out over the pledgedance-packed weekend to watch Lila Whoolery cut some mean capers with Bud Casselbury at the Kappa formal... while Doris Ward and Don Ratchford watched the proceedings from a dark corner... Terry Kist looked beautiful all evening while Chi Phi date Frank Honegger just looked (and looked) ... Sally Miller and Bob Kaiser likewise seemed enthralled with one another.

**Gossip Story Number One:** Bill Wintersteen has switched back to dating AlphaChiO Mim Ramsey AGAIN. At least we saw them at the SPE pledge dance Fri. The rumor has been suggested that Bill has resorted to coin flipping to decide whether he should date Mim or Estelle Brown. This we refused to believe, although we're still amazed at the story after recalling that both are AlphaChiO's ... Bill Douglas was also in on this brawl with Ruth Twitchell, and we saw Mabel Parks leading Tommy Ankrim around all over the place.

Diligent, studious Frank Flynn came to McGeary's Pol. Sci. 12 class Monday all thrilled and excited because he had taken time out to clip a newspaper story concerning a case before the Federal Trade Commission, a subject which the class had been discussing at some length several days before.

Whereupon, Frank proudly raised his hand after roll had been taken and blankly proceeded to read the story's headline, in the most serious and scholarly manner: "TOOTHPASTE COMPANY HIT ON BEAUTIFUL SMILE."

Following this slashing bit of news behind the news, the good professor McGeary broke into a loud guffaw. But quickly observing that he was entirely alone in his merriment, he stopped and asked Frank to read the head again.

"Oh," said McGeary, "you said TOOTHPASTE; I thought you said TWO-FACED!"

### Boy Makes Airplanes Despite Prots' Warnings

Robert J. Woods, whose college professors told him he never would be an aeronautical engineer, is the Youngstown-born designer of the Bell Airacuda and the Bell Airacobra.

Woods was orphaned at 17 and worked to send himself through high school and night school.

When his family's estate was settled, he received \$1,200 and with this money attended the University of Michigan.

One day one of his professors detained him long enough to advise:

"Woods, you'd better give up your aeronautical engineering and specialize in something else. You are just not cut out for it. You'll never make an aeronautical engineer. It's not in you."

After a series of positions with the Towle Aircraft Co., the Detroit Aviation Corp., Lockheed and Consolidated, Woods went with Bell as a chief engineer, when he was 30.

Austin, Texas—Lack of fundamental education in mathematics presents a major obstacle in selection and training of midshipmen for commissioning as ensigns in the Navy, Dr. H. T. Ettliger, University of Texas mathematics professor, points out, quoting a letter of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

### CAMPUS CALENDAR TODAY

- Home Economics Club elections, 110 Home Economics building, 7 p. m.
- Meeting '45 Independents, 305 Old Main, 7:30 p. m. Nominations of class officers.
- Talk on "Czechoslovakia; Before and After the War," by Dr. Herbert Miller in 8 Sparks building at 7 p. m., before International Relations Club. Talk open to all.
- WRA Bridge Club meets, White Hall playroom, 6:30 p. m.
- Meeting of WRA Badminton Club, White Hall gymnasium, 8:30 p. m.
- Penn State dating bureau meets Penn State Club room, 5 p. m.

### We. The Women

#### They're Yours For The Using

For many years now dormitory coeds have wished for sewing rooms which would be open to them for small ordinary work jobs. They didn't like the idea of going to home ec rooms where majors slaved over dresses and projects for class. They felt out of place, "amateurish," and as if they were interrupting work that had to be done.

When Atherton Hall was built, pressing rooms were furnished with at least one sewing machine for use of women living there. Students who were anxious to take that stitch that might save nine were welcome to use these anytime.

Other campus dormitories, not so modern and well-equipped, lacked such facilities and called for some way to accomplish this work.

It's seldom that a request of the coed student body is answered... and answered with affirmative action. When such a situation occurs, women would certainly be expected to make use of what is prepared for them.

Omicron Nu, senior women's home economics honorary, has finally answered the appeal and now they're waiting for a response.

They have opened 210 Home Economics for just such a purpose one night a week from 6:45 to 8:30, and no one has appeared for the two weeks that it has been open.

Tonight it opens again. Members of the honorary will be there to assist. Machines, bobbins, scissors are yours for the using.

-J. H. M.

### History Book Shows Mural

Harold E. Dickson, associate professor of fine arts announced last night that the Penn State Land Grant Fresco is reproduced in the new edition of "Arts in the Western World," a history of art by Robbin Garrison. Although the mural has been reproduced in other books, this is the first time it has appeared in a history of art, Mr. Dickson said.

Referring to the fresco, Mr. Garrison says, "It is executed with a fine sense of the not always reconciled individualities of both architectural setting and pictorial composition, in sober yet well harmonized colors, and deals in a forthright way with a theme of immediate importance."

Mr. Dickson said that appearance of the new edition in local book stores will relieve scarcity of the text which has been felt by students of art 74 and 100.

### Rifle Team Meets

A reorganization meeting of the Penn State rifle team will be held the PSCA cabin for Saturday in Old Main at 7:30 p. m. to evening. All those interested are requested to sign up at Hillel by Yount '45 and Frank Shuman '45, Thursday afternoon.

### Hillel Plans Hay-ride

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