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Physical Fitness—When?

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Having narrowed the problem down to this factor then we would like to show just how childish the whole thing is. When boys are in the Army or Navy it doesn't seem to cramp anyone's style that more than one boy uses the same shower or even that a boy may wait his turn for a shower. As for locker space, we're willing to wager that a good number of service men change their clothes, work out and get dressed without ever being near a locker.

Changes must be made and are being made in College courses. Some courses will probably be dropped entirely. Others will be intensified.

Anyone will admit that an intensified compulsory physical fitness course should be at the top of the list when it comes to speeding up. Yet absolutely nothing is being done.

Not being an authority on such matters, naturally any solutions to the problem we might present would not be the best. But why not have NYA boys paid to watch clothes hung on hooks so that nothing would be lost. Or might it be possible for boys in various sections of town to dress in their own rooms and then meet in near-by specified areas for their work-outs.

But these are not problems that students and laymen should attempt to work out. They are problems for men trained in such matters. Namely the Phys Ed School leaders.

Why then do they remain idle?

We're not making a plea for action. It's long past the time for pleas. We're not lamenting the fact that nothing has been done. We've done that too much already. We're merely stating facts that add up to one simple solution. Everyone concerned has expressed their desire for an intensified physical fitness program. This is no idle desire but one based on the stark reality of the times we now live in.

It's up to the men in charge to do something about it. We, for one, can see only one road for them to take. That of immediate action.

—H. C. C.

The Pennies Saved

Are you a penny saver? If so, the United States Treasury Department wants you . . . to put them back into circulation again.

It may seem to be a queer request on the Treasury Department's part, but due to the lack of copper because of its need in producing war materials, the nation's mint finds that there is a great shortage of the metal for use in manufacturing pennies.

Because of the enormous demand for one-cent pieces occasioned by state sales taxes, federal excise taxes, vending machines, and various other



Lion Tales

By M. J. WINTER

Romance Racket

What we want to know is: "What's going to happen to all the couples who are pinned or going steady at this point after one, the other, or both of them don robes and get a sheepskin handout Thursday?" There are four possibilities—1. get engaged, 2. get married, 3. break up and forget the whole thing, 4. join the Scranton Correspondence School and make the postman middleman in the affair.

We're still waiting for the latest news from Bob Roy and Mickey McFarland (they've got a good set-up—he's going to med school in Philly and she's going to work nearby), George Roy-Nancy Gosser, Bus Blakeslee-Peggy Miller, Dave McAleer-Fran Haley, Dave Sharp-Ruth Moore, Dick Stebbins-Lou Wassink, Edie Smith-Bill Bates, Bill Murphy-Mim Rhein, Si Siebert-Wally Murfitt, who'll still be here . . . What're they all waiting for?

The PTSWAH Club

How about organizing a club for those remaining in the Nittany valley—war and graduation widows and bachelors. Call it the PTSWAH Club (Pinned To Somebody Who Ain't Here.) They could hold platonic parties and weekly blues sessions. Organize it before the semester's over and Whiffet Crossman, Pat MacKinney, Marge Sykes, Ada Lord and other home-sitters this semester could give a few pointers. Dotty Magor Kemper can be a charter member in next semester's club.

More Mergers

Seems that Jim Irwin, phigam, and Ollie Gillis ex-'44 are gonna get hitched—and soon. . . Pin jobs of late include Helen Neubert, kappa, again wearing Buzzy Hay's white star of Sigma Nu. . . Beanie Siebert, has a sweetheart pin from one of the ensign glamour boys.

Forgery

Skull and Bones boys had trouble getting 20 kappa signatures in 15 minutes the other night. They made out okay, though—Ruth Moore, Beanie, and Ruthie Shanes did a good forgery job. . . Acacia formal in honor of the seniors last night wasn't bad. Danny Gillespie and Gracie Longenecker achio, Larry Sheffer-Ruth Butt, Bob Troxell-Pat Dohrenwend, Al Williams-Jeanne Ward, little Johnny Jaffurs and Mary (Acacia house-mother) McCurdy. . . Phikappapsi formal dinner dance is tonight. There with jingle bells on will be George Rennoy and Fran Angle chio, Les-Nelson-Ginny Reilly dg, Chuck Beatty-Mary Thompson chio, Jim Payne-Joan Finn theta. A few others will probably be there, too.

factors, the mint is not able to produce enough of them.

Last year, the mint used 4,600 tons in the production of the penny alone, which totaled one billion, five hundred million pieces, in round numbers. Such a heavy demand for the penny would not be necessary if men, women, and children can be induced to convert their penny savings into war stamps, or even into coins of larger denomination, of which there is an ample supply.

The 4,600 tons of copper consumed last year in making the one-cent piece, would have met the combined requirements of copper for building two cruisers, two destroyers, 1,245 flying fortresses, 120 field guns and 120 howitzers, or enough for one and one-quarter million shells for our big field guns.

One college professor in Pittsburgh, noting a press release on the subject, garnered in and got into circulation on his own initiative, 113,000 pennies in about three weeks—from students and associate faculty members.

Recently, in accordance with an Act of Congress, a change was made in the content of the five-cent piece. It eliminated all of the nickel, a critically scarce metal, from that denomination. While it is expected that pending legislation will likewise authorize a change in the content of the one-cent piece, which contains 95% copper, whatever substitutes may be adopted will also be scarce.

It is important that it be understood that for every coin hidden away, the mint must make another to replace it: for the country must have coin to carry on the war program, and all its business affairs.

So, if you are one of the many persons that has pennies laying idle in china pigs, little banks, glass jars and the like, get them back into circulation, for the government and the war's sake.

—S. R.

We, The Women War Cramps Style. But Not The Spirit

War conservation will cramp the traditional old English style of eating Christmas dinner in McAllister Hall Monday when 500 women gather for the food and the spirit and that's about all.

Because of lack of space in the hall and money for renting costumes, WSGA has decided to cut down on the long-program dinner which included speech-making, scholarship-presenting, fun-making, and carol-singing. Always accompanied by a long procession, the program was begun with forkless eating at clothless tables. No details were overlooked and the atmosphere, what with candle-lighting tables, was exactly proper.

Now that patriotic common sense has moved Senate to discontinue the elaborate dinner program, WSGA has gone one step further.

Instead of compelling coeds dining in the dorm to wear evening gowns, student government heads have decided that informal clothes will be "in place," too. However, since the occasion is a special one, coeds are asked to don "Sunday-go-to-meeting" dresses at least.

There will be no program whatsoever, but no one will frown if a few "Christmasy" songs burst forth and a bit of blithe spirit prevails.

And then, remember this announcement: dinner will be served at 6 p. m.

When Senate set that time, they did it for the sake of those who would want to change into formals and other clothes after late afternoon classes. They didn't realize how convenient it would be for some women who insist on coming in at that time every day!

If coeds could hold their seats until EVERYONE is ready to leave, perhaps that spirit created will last and not fade with the swift passing of persons who just can't wait.

Lost and Found

Students who have lost notebooks, gloves, textbooks or other articles are asked to check with the janitors of all large buildings where they have classes. Many articles lost this semester have been collected by the janitors, and are now there for the owners to claim.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Christmas Cabin party at PSCA Cabin party, leave rear of Old Main, 2 p. m.

TOMORROW

PSCA Cabinet Meeting, Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, 2 p. m.

PSCA Christmas Party for needy children at Shingletown Gap 2 p. m.

Penn State Bible Fellowship meets tomorrow in 405 Old Main at 2 p. m.

MONDAY

Skull and Bones picture, Photo Shop, Monday, 6:30 p. m.

Dancing Club presents its annual Christmas dancing festival, White Hall, 7:30 and 8:30 p. m.

TUESDAY

Senior "Hot Dog" dance. Selection of the senior "Hot Dog," entertainment by a Thespian group, dancing and refreshments. Only seniors presenting matriculation cards will be admitted. Armory, 9-12 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

PSCA Christmas Vesper services led by Jean E. Hershberger '43, Hugh Beaver Room, 7 a. m.

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