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Soph Hop Set For February 19; Head Committee Named

War Limits Group To Eight; Bands Pending

The chairman and committee for this year's Soph Hop, now definitely scheduled for Friday, February 19, has been chosen, according to Howard F. James, Sophomore class prexy.

Chairman for the dance will be Wallace J. Kappel '46, assisted by a committee of seven. Serving on the committee—all taken from the class of '46—are Huston H. Brosious, June I. Daniels, John W. Foster, William R. McKee, Charles D. Prutzman, Meyer Raskin, and Kathryn R. Vogel.

Limited this year to the one committee, Kappel has combined the functions of the usual five committees into one. In charge of advertising will be Raskin, Foster, and Prutzman; decorations will be taken care of by McKee and Daniels; programs will be under Vogel; while Brosious will take charge of invitations.

The usual 43 fraternity booths will again be made available, according to the dance chairman. Fraternities should sign up for their booths at Student Union as soon as possible so as to reserve their choice. A cost of \$10 will be charged for each booth.

Because of existing methods of travel and other uncertainties, the committee is having considerable trouble signing a "name" band for the affair. Under consideration at present are Bobby Byrne, up-and-coming new band; Duke Ellington, top-hat colored maestro and his aggregation; Mitchell Ayres, smooth orchestrator; Les Brown and his "Rustic Cabin" band; Sammy Kaye, with his "Swing and Sway" rhythm; Bob Chester, another improving group; and Benny Goodman, famous band hired this summer for Penn State's Victory Weekend.

Corsages, if used, will be of the defense stamp variety. A plan is under consideration; Kappel announces, to reserve a place on the back page of the program on which to seal the stamps.

Open House Draws Over 2500 Persons

Nearly twenty-five hundred students and townspeople attended the first All-College Old Main Open House last night.

Highlight of the evening's program was the variety stage show in Schwab auditorium. Featured on the program was the new music of the "Statesmen Five," newest campus band.

Master of ceremonies for the show was Eddie Coles, who made a hit with the audience with his "Hellszapoppin'" type of humor. Also featured were Mim Rhein, songstress; Bud Mellot with a specialty dance, a specialty piano act by Rita Jenkins, and original songs by Jane Abramson.

Approximately 700 attended the Varsity dance at the Armory, with a like number square dancing in the first floor lounge of Old Main to the music of the "Campus Cowboys."

Another large crowd took advantage of the chance to see the campus and town by moonlight from the tower of Old Main.

Former Grad Spends New Year's Day Aiding U. S. Troops Wipe Out Japs

While most American people were waking up with a hang-over from joyful and gay celebrations on January 1, a former Penn State was beginning his New Year right—by aiding the American forces on New Guinea wipe out the fanatic sons of the Rising Sun.

A delayed dispatch from Associated Press correspondent Murlin Spencer, who is stationed in the South Pacific war zone, tells how Lieut. Sol B. Bernstein, a graduate in the class of '32, helped American troops to cross over a vital creek and drive through the last enemy defense to capture the bomb-shattered station.

Under heavy Japanese fire, Lieut. Bernstein led a group of engineers in repairing a partly destroyed bridge. After getting the structure rebuilt for safe use, the

American ground troops swarmed over the bridge and eliminated the Jap forces, many of which fled into the sea in a mad effort to escape.

As a result of this heavy onslaught, the last remnants of Hirohito's troops were driven from the Buna area and the U. S. flag waved undisputed over that section of New Guinea.

The young Penn State officer had much training previous to his fighting on New Guinea.

Having taken advanced ROTC while he was here at College, Bernstein was given a reserve commission and at the outbreak of the war was mustered into service early. For a time he was stationed at Fort Wright, after which he entered federal service.

Besides taking advanced ROTC, Lieut. Bernstein was also quite active in other campus groups

while at College. Enrolled as an architect, he was honored for his excellent work by being made a member of Pi Gamma Alpha, architectural engineering honorary. He was a member of the Beta Sigma Rho fraternity and was later elected fraternity president. After graduating from Penn State, Lieut. Bernstein returned to his home in New London, Connecticut, and entered business as an architect.

Prior to his entrance into the armed forces, Bernstein designed many homes and buildings in the New London locality.

Evidently a member of a fighting family, Lieut. Bernstein has four other brothers in the armed services. One is a member of the Coast Guard, another of the Air Transport service, the third has joined the Marines, and the last is also an Army man.

Army Issues Call For 500 Recruits In Ski Patrols

National Ski Association Conducts Campaign

Recruits are needed for Mountain Troops service, the National Ski Association of America announced yesterday afternoon.

In a directive to Prof. Robert E. Galbraith, the NSAA said that in the next six weeks they are going to need 500 recruits for Mountain Troops from the Eastern Division.

The Skiing Association has charge of recruiting men for the War Department.

Men interested in serving in a skiing patrol are asked to contact Prof. Galbraith, Faculty Advisor on War Service, in 243 Sparks as soon as possible.

Recruits need not be skiers. Outdoor experience, such as camping or hunting, is desirable. As Arthur B. Porter, chairman of the Eastern Division said, "They must be able to take it physically."

First step for prospective recruits is to fill out questionnaires which can be secured from Prof. Galbraith.

Physical requirements are similar to those of the regular Army. Men, 17 years old, can now join the Air Corps Enlisted Reserves, Galbraith also stated.

At the present time all ACER enlistments are being cleared through the Harrisburg recruiting station. Further details can be secured from the FAWS.

Enlisted Reserve Corps recruiting for men over 16 years but not yet 18 is also open.

Students who would like to sign with the ERC must have parental consent papers, in addition to birth certificates, and letters of recommendation.

Consent forms are available in Prof. Galbraith's office.

Call For Managers

A call has been issued for second assistant manager candidates for ice hockey. Those interested should report to the ice hockey room in Rec. Hall today at 2 p. m.

Matmen Open Home Season Today; Lion Cagers To Battle Colgate Five

Lawthermen Seek 17th Straight at Rec Hall

Most psychologists are quick to point out that the thing most people fear is the "unknown."

The "unknown" in the persons of five Colgate basketball players will appear at Rec Hall tonight and Coach John Lawther and his five Penn State cagers will be justified if they worry a little about their win streak of 17 games on the Rec Hall court.

As Coach Karl Lawrence of Colgate puts it, "I'm a little uncertain what I've got myself."

It seems that the accelerated program left the basketball plans

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Dewey LF Gent
Cathral RF Von Neida
Batorski C Hornstein
Sandmann LG Baltimore
Lowe RG Egli

Penn State reserves—Stabley, Biery, Lawther, Cohen, Beck, Zetlich.

Colgate reserves—Kearns, Rice, Fishbeck, Dooley, Hart.

of the Red Raider mentor up in the air as high as a kite. In fact the Lawrence system had been drilled into some half a dozen players who were scheduled to give the Hamilton, N. Y. school its first cage champions in recent years, but only three of that nucleus are still in school.

Coach Lawrence was formerly
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Watkins Warns Students To Get Ration Books

Students whose ration books are at home were warned last night that they may need to turn them in to obtain new books February 1. Each person must register personally under the new system, according to Ray V. Watkins, State College ration board chairman.

Watkins said that the College will probably provide for issuing books to students as they did last year. The board chairman revealed that some students are buying canned foods at local stores and sending it home, a practice which has caused serious shortages in the borough.

Victory Raffle Offers Stamp Purchasers Five Awards

Sports fans will have an opportunity to win five prizes and make a patriotic gesture at the same time by taking part in tonight's Victory Raffle scheduled for the intermission of the Penn State-Colgate basketball game.

Purchase of a 25-cent War Stamp will give buyers one chance for the awards, while the purchasers of 50-cents worth of stamps will have three opportunities to win a prize.

The game basketball, five Collegian subscriptions, two Froth subscriptions, and two prizes of War Stamps worth \$5 each will be given to the lucky ticket holders.

Victory Raffle was originated by All-College Cabinet and placed under the chairmanship of William M. Briner '44, and eight committee members. Success of tonight's raffle will insure the repetition of such an affair during the remaining three home basketball tussles.

Sale of stamps began last night at the Corner Room, and will con-
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Schwab Houses 400 As Students Hear Waring's 'Tunes'

More than 400 students crowded into Schwab Auditorium last night to hear Fred Waring's "Pleasure Time" program of "victory tunes" over NBC network, dedicated to and chosen by his alma mater.

Commending the College for wartime setup and for its adaptability and progress in the last two year, Waring started his program by saluting Penn State with "Hail To the Lions."

The three victory tunes chosen by College students included "When The Lights Go On Again," "Abraham," and "You'd Be So Nice To Come Home To." Waring thanked Paul I. Woodland, editor of the Daily Collegian, in behalf of the paper, for conducting the poll.

Campbellmen Face Lock Haven at 2:30 p. m.

Coach Paul Campbell's wrestling squad wound up practice sessions last night in preparation for their first home contest this season with the matmen from Lock Haven, who arrive here today at 11 a. m. and meet the Lions in Rec Hall at 2:30 p. m.

Weigh-ins for the bouts will take place at 11:30 a. m. in Rec Hall's team locker room, where eligibility, as far as weight is concerned, will be determined for the afternoon's matches.

Asked whether he thought Lock Haven would be a tough opponent for his charges, Coach Campbell indicated that he expects his squad to have a harder fight than they did at Syracuse last Saturday afternoon, if they expect to win today's contest. The Lock Haven wrestlers copped the 1942 Penn-
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Late News Flashes . . .

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—The British troops have occupied all important defense points in Tripoli, according to a special communique issued here last night. Parts of the Axis citadel were reported aflame and much of the civilian population had been evacuated.

MOSCOW—Moscow's midnight communique announced last night that Soviet forces have advanced thirty-five miles in the southern campaign for Rostov. Several important rail centers in the Donets sector were reported taken.

WILKES-BARRE—The remaining 2,500 miners, in the anthracite strike, returned to their jobs last night after a special meeting approved the return. The three-week wildcat strike cost the miners more than \$2,000,000 and kept 1,000,000 tons of coal off the market.

CALCUTTA—Three waves of British Liberator bombers raided targets in Jap-held Burma, it was reported here. Jap planes were sighted over Calcutta, but anti-aircraft fire succeeded in driving off the raiders.

MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, SOUTH PACIFIC—The last remaining stronghold on southern New Guinea has been wiped out, according to a report issued last night. Sana Anada point was captured yesterday by forces of Australian and American jungle fighters. The Japs were trapped in three small pockets and were under constant bombardment from all sides. MacArthur also announced that American bombers sank four Jap ships in the harbor of Rabual New Britain Island.

LONDON—Planes of the RAF bombed certain oil installations on the main land last night. A coastal command torpedo plane reported that it had hit a German supply ship off the coast of Norway. Nazi planes tried to raid several east coast towns in southern England, but were driven off before they could drop their bombs.