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Fling Or Preparation?

Are these last few months of College for the Army Enlisted and other Reservists a last fling or a preparation?

It would seem that the safest and sanest answer to the above question would be that they are both: A last chance to enjoy collegiate as well as civilian life for the duration, and also a good chance to prepare for the rigors, mentally and physically, that military life demands.

Agreeing on the above, a second problem arises, i. e. can these two ideas be combined with any degree of favorable results?

Indications are that Penn State's future servicemen are mixing the two but with too much emphasis on the fling and not enough on preparation.

Nothing convinces like actuality and here are three statements which students in the same boat in previous semesters made recently after they had landed in what they "flinged" because of or prepared for, last semester.

A Penn Stater now in the coast guard says:

"I know its easy to forget everything else and concentrate on having fun just before you leave school but take it from me it doesn't pay. If you're preparing for the Coast Guard above all, prepare yourself physically and then study the Bluejackets Manual. I can't emphasize that first point too much and believe me I know."

One of the advanced ROTC infantrymen of last semester wrote from candidates camp:

"Have a good time while you're in college but for your own good don't make the same mistake I did and forget everything else. If you're in good physical shape the rest will be easy. It is tough for me just because I didn't get in condition. Please profit by my mistake."

And an Air Corps Reservist, now in active training pleaded:

"I know how hard it is to believe all this advice I'm handing out because I didn't believe those who went before me. But for gawds sake prepare yourself for what you're facing. Physical condition is first and foremost, your regular course of study is next and then in your spare time read everything you can get your hands on concerning the branch of service you're entering."

All of these statements and many others say the same thing. All of which should prove that there's something genuine to them.

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—R. D. S.

Just The Weather

Spring visited State College yesterday and what she did to things was amazing.

Most everyone was taken a bit unawares in the morning and bundled up for another routine February Friday. It was amazing to see how many people were taking off scarfs, stuffing gloves in their pockets and unbuttoning coats in welcome to the unexpected change in weather. One student even blossomed out in a Lion coat and "that" bench appeal on Allen street.

But the biggest thing the weather did was to change the whole campus attitude. As the day wore on the spirit grew. Students ran around like they do after a long vacation and everyone seemed to have something to say to everyone else. It was good.

All this was deceiving though and rumor has it that there's a lot of Winter still ahead. But the preview of a coming attraction gave a lot of people something to look forward to—something nice to have these days

—R. D. S.



Lion Tales

The Nittany Valley must have its charms. Seems there are a bunch of alums back this weekend. Don't know what they're here for—nothing much doing in the line of social life—at least the Cub couldn't find any. Maybe they came back to see their friends, if there are any left after the recent exodus of kids off to the wars.

Has Beens

Among the guys and gals back are Bob Coke, sigmanu, in his ensign's uniform, holding hands with achio Jo Powell and inhabiting the Corner. . . Second Lieutenant Johnny Baer, deltachi and former managing ed, back to marry Louise Fuoss, former women's ed today and take her to Fort Lewis, Washington, to live. . . The Bomber, theta Les Lewis, Andy's big sister. She and Bob Montz, kappasig alum, will take the vows March 13. . . Bob Schooley, pika, just looking around. . . Deenie Wickersham, a frosh a couple of years back, was seen in town with husband Gazzy Green, phigam alum. They were married last week, will leave today for New York, and Gazzy will be joining the boys in khaki soon.

Temperamental

Maybe the folks in Schwab the other night wouldn't have clapped so loud and long if they'd heard about the difficulties prior to Rachmaninoff's performance. The Cub heard from various sources the following rumors. Seems he became a citizen Monday. It also seems he refused to take a bus from Lewistown to State College. (Maybe he hasn't heard yet the U. S. at war, too, and there's a minor item about gas rationing.) Anyhow, when offered a car owned by a faculty member, he refused to ride in anything but the President's car with the President's chauffeur at the wheel. He wouldn't play, otherwise, he said. P. S. —he got what he wanted. . . Then, at the hotel, he had to have a grand piano in his room. The stairs didn't seem to be built wide enough for that. Finally he was pacified with a smaller variety. Must be nice to be a big shot. Anyhow, it was a good concert, don't ya think?

Here And There

Judicial gavel-wielder Marion Dougherty is expecting to be voted the most popular coed by the frosh rule-breakers. The Gestapo has been cracking down recently. Seems the frosh are taking their grudges out on her, personally. Don't worry, though, she's wearing her bullet-proof vest. Mac Hall was in a turmoil the other night when most of the second floor got phone calls. There'll be plenty of fourths for bridge the next few weekends, anyhow. Some lonely soldier will get a big kick out of the Victory Book Drive. In the box at the Corner the other day, someone dropped in a good volume for light reading—a textbook on thermodynamics. . . Jane Hinman, kappa, has bestowed her keyhole on phigam Walt Wright. . . Sy Rosenberg, phisigmadelta, is running after town frosh Lenore Auerbach. . . The phisigmakappas had a formal fling last night. Campus Owls beat it out for Dick Stephens and Betty Myers, kappa; Big Jack Germain—Jane Windle, kappa; Ed Hyde—darcy Newcomer, kappa; (the kappas are really making out) Bill Hyde—Ardrita Somers; Jack Scheppman—Jean Odgen; Harry Mumma—Jean Gilbert.

Watch out when you go into the Library, or you'll be getting a free shower right outside.

—The Cub.



Rachmaninoff Chats With Three Students

Off-stage Sergeri Rachmaninoff is a quiet, dignified-looking man showing his 70 years of musical study. He is interested in things other than music and he displays this interest by asking a number of questions and listening intently to all replies.

Before leaving campus recently after his concert in Schwab auditorium, Rachmaninoff had a short conversation on the street with three Penn State students.

The musician was walking with his wife and business manager, Howard Heck, when he was met by students who asked him to autograph their Artists' course programs.

After signing his name three times, Rachmaninoff appeared willing to talk before leaving on his trip to Columbus, Ohio, where he was to play the following evening.

He asked about the fraternity houses on the campus, how many men could live in one, and how large they were inside. The students invited the conductor-composer in to see the inside of their fraternity but he declined, saying that he had only a few minutes before leaving.

Other questions followed. "Who is in charge of music here at the College?" asked the artist. "Hummel Fishburn," was the reply.

"Is he pretty good?" he queried. "Well, we all like him a lot," one of the students answered.

At this reply both the pianist and his wife smiled broadly.

Local Dealers Comply With Milk Regulations

Since February local dealers have not been allowed to sell milk to be carried away from the premises except in quart bottles. Milk purchased in pints and half-pints must be consumed on the premises.

It is also required, by order of U. S. Food Administration, that a charge of five cents be made for each quart bottle carried away. When the bottle is purchased a token will be given with the bottle.

When the bottle is returned with the token it can be redeemed for the price paid for it, or the bottle may be returned and used in exchange toward another bottle of milk.

Chapel Speaker

Rev. Mr. Frank A. Sharp, Minister of Education at the First Baptist Church in Pittsburgh will be the speaker at the Sunday Chapel services in Schwab auditorium tomorrow morning.

The students complimented the master on his fine performance of the night previous and the maestro acknowledged the praise with another smile.

He then asked a few more questions about fraternities, campus buildings, and about the music school at Penn State.

After five minutes of conversation, Rachmaninoff declared that he and his companions must return to Nittany Lion Inn, where they were to have lunch before leaving State College at 1 p. m.



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