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The New Voice On Campus

Cutting down on the social calendar so far has been voluntary on the part of students. They have limited the semester to two big dances and are asking any other organizations sponsoring dances to confine the bands to local ones; they have banned student driving on campus and have taken a stand against imports.

The curfew still exists, and any organizations desiring to meet on campus after 8:30-p. m. must first make application to Student Tribunal to do so. This regulation has been well kept, and fine cooperation has been particularly in evidence this semester.

Now a new controlling force threatens to move in. Yes, it's Uncle Sam and his Army and Navy training programs.

It is possible if service training programs are set up on campus that the Junior-Senior Ball may be abandoned completely, because of Army-Navy requests to use of Rec Hall to set up their recreation programs.

Don't these developments make it useless to try to plan for something not already scheduled, when few people know what conditions will exist? There is no certainty that any event scheduled after March 10 will be carried out, since no one knows what Army and Navy officers will demand for the soldiers and seamen on campus.

When these new service units do arrive, they will set up their own recreation facilities, and run them themselves.

One of the main reasons why a compulsory physical education program is not being planned now for this Summer is because Army and Navy trainees will have first choice on Rec. Hall, as well as the hours they expect to use it. That is the background of the phys ed fuss, and the main factor in its failure to be carried through.

For Men Only

Penn State is experiencing something new this week. During the past year it hasn't been unusual to hear that a new group of Ensigns or Signal Corps officers were arriving on campus to begin training but when the 125 Cadettes of the Curtiss-Wright program moved into Waits Hall, that was something new.

Usually after a new group arrived there were all kinds of things said and written about the students, relations with these temporary Penn States. This Summer the Summer session students and the regular body were mixed when the Summer semester coincided with the sessions. There were lots of things said about the relations between students and "temporaries" then.

And now it is Penn State's duty to make the Cadettes feel at home. While the women are already carrying out a welcoming campaign it would seem that the men could do a lot more.

Remember how you were always reading about this and that sorority or dorm group entertaining a bunch of ensigns at a coffee hour or coke party? Well, now its the fraternities and independent men's groups' turn.

Although campus talk is to the effect that very few of the Cadettes had much trouble getting dates on their first night here, some organized group parties or dinners for the girls would seem more in order. Men have long moaned about the ratio at Penn State and this seems a good opportunity to remedy some of the difficulties it causes.

Groups interested in entertaining a group of the Cadettes can make arrangements through the company representative whose office is in 208 Electrical Engineering or Dean Charlotte E. Ray's office.

At last Penn State men have something to counteract the long joked about Ensign "date menace."
—R. D. S.

A Lean and Hungry Look

By Milton Dolinger

After carefully perusing the new instructions anent future air raid drills, about the only question we have is what do we do when the fire signal sounds. That old demon, fire, which news from Britain tell us, always follows in the wake of air bombing, is doubtless without a doubt as serious, as the explosives themselves. If, then, the authorities in this village are so rabid in their realism, could they not perform get some differentiation in their warnings. The last nightly black out went slightly askew when the good burghers mistook the fire for the all-clear.

Our own little witenagemote, or Cabinet if you will, just limited "big" dance hours, by no means a minor piece of legislation. Somehow that august senate seems to strike us as straining at gnats and swallowing camels, to employ an old figure of speech. And then here's another good point which several of our more militant friends brought to our consciousness. In this year of war, 1943, if dance you must, what could be more apropos than to make the formerly small-time Military Ball into the magnificent and all-college affair it now deserves. It naturally follows then that the uniformed spectacle would not be just a preening place for the ROTC on campus, but truly a "Big" weekend dance, even though a small band will probably play. How romantic . . . white-gloved, glittering officers, dancing with stately and gorgeously gowned femmes, while in the distance is heard the rumble of gunfire as the rank and file keep the barbarians at bay . . . And then up dashes a courier on a muddy white horse with a dispatch crumpled in a bloody hand . . . and sighs and weeping among the wisteria and bougainvillea as hurried leave is taken by the now serious and heroic officers. . . Here make sound like in Bronx!

Lack of proper planning on the part of Drydock seems to be the only thing holding up Cabinet approval of the Club, according to one of the chief seneschals, Rube Faloon. The table of the issue until the next meeting was done to allow Bill Cissel, manager of last year's soft drink night club to draw up the budget and other red-taped estimates so necessary in approving any all-college project. It further seems to us that with the pre-pre-flight navy kiwis joining us soon, Drydock will enter the military service by turning its entertainment facilities open to those wingless dodos. Cissel has already suggested he might invite the Ensigns . . . and with the Soldiers not far behind (pretty girls, you know), there might develop some interesting saturnalian tomfoolery—in a soft drink tempo.

Kipling, of the rag, bone and hank of hair group, and a confirmed misogynist to boot yet set himself up as a critic of fair womanhood, and in his "Certain Maxims of Hafiz" he passes on some advice which we think best to ignore:

"My son, if a maiden deny thee and scufflingly bid thee give o'er,

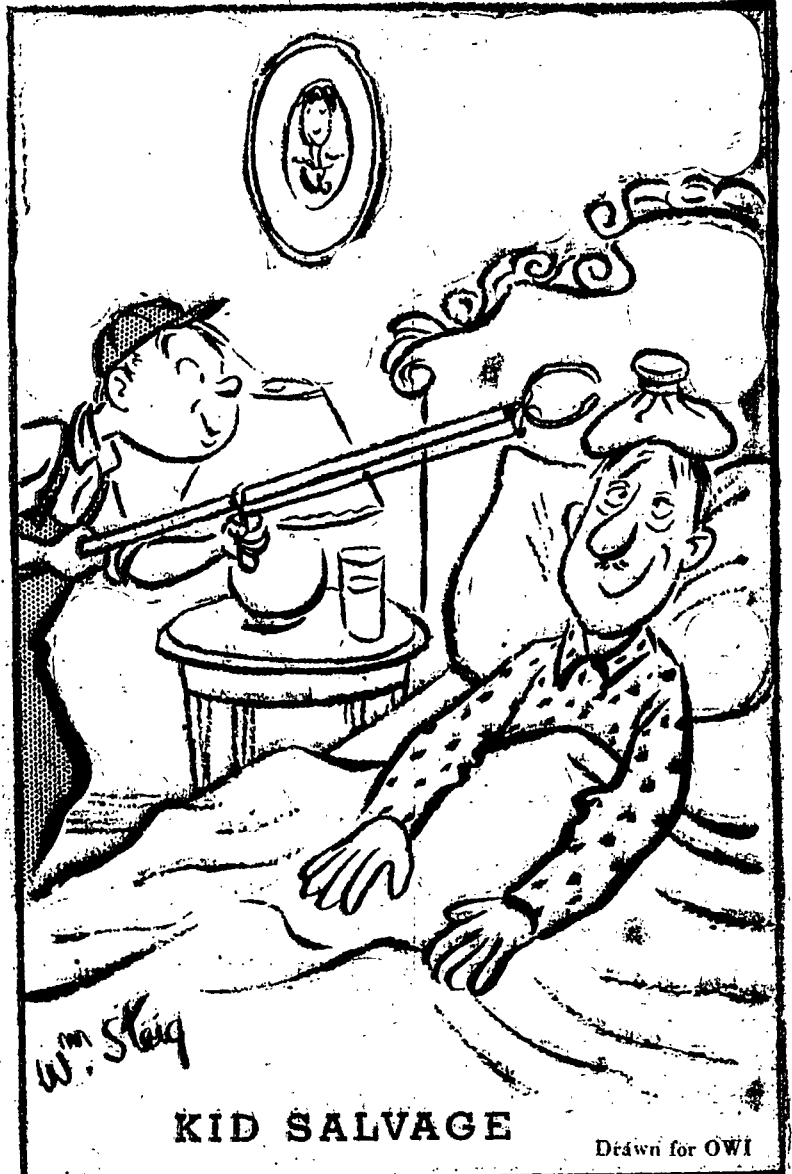
Yet lip meets lip at the lastward—get out! she has been there before.

They are pecked on the ear and the chin and the nose who are lacking in lore."

Still, Ruddy ol' top, she who has been there before, certainly knows a lot more. . . —Cassius.



"Lady, you ought to be glad we're not using our TRUCK for small deliveries!!!"



KID SALVAGE

Drawn for OWI

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Thespian dialogue and singing tryouts in Schwab Auditorium, 7 p. m.

Campus '45 mets in Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

WRA Bridge Club meets, White Hall, 6:30 p. m.

International Church Council, Methodist Church, 7 p. m.

Inter-church Council meets at the Wesley Foundation, 7 p. m.

House of Representatives meets in 305 Old Main, 5 p. m.

Fly Tying Class meets in 213 Frear Laboratory, 7 p. m.

Home Economics Club meeting, 110 Home Economics building, 7 p. m.

TOMORROW

Pre-med Society meets, 110 Home Economics building, 7 p. m.

The Hillel Foundation will conduct a round table discussion at 4:15 p. m.

Hillel-PSCA interfaith fireside meeting at Hillel Foundation, 7 p. m.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

To the Editor:

Yesterday on the ski trail—I myself slipping down the steep incline at a rate of speed that reminds one of a steam engine going down a "bar one" slope track with throttle open. Scenery passed like mad; faster, faster until it seemed impossible that it could be I. Then the slope leveled off and I came to a perfect "landing."

Skiing is not expensive. The entire equipment costs about as much as two "big weekends," lasts much longer, gives more real pleasure, and affords a very appropriate recreation for one who spends much of his time over books.

For students who like change of scenery, there are many places that can be reached by rented bikes that are much more exciting now than the inside of a theater. Don't let the snow bother you: simply let a little air out of the tires, wear a pair of gloves and earmuffs, and with some good sport as a companion, let the countryside roll by!

In all we have three cabins nearby. I don't see how students can worry too much about reviving such things as drydock when they can get together a group of three or four couples, get on old togs, and hike in crisp Pennsyl-

We, The Women What Would Emily Post Say?

Maybe some coeds are used to having butlers and maids serve them at home, but the number who receive such service is probably very small. The great majority of Penn State students come from families who are used to doing things for themselves.

Why, then, do students in dining halls constantly complain to waiters about the poor service, or at least hint at it in their table conversation?

It's probably always been that way, and will, no doubt, continue in the same vein. Those waiters, however, are students like yourselves, and deserve a little common courtesy.

If your mother failed to serve dinner at the exact minute that you had the urge to eat, or forgot to put napkins on the table, would you scold her? The answer is probably, "No." The waiters in dining commons should be treated in the same way.

With crowded conditions in the dining halls, it is impossible for all tables to be served promptly. Coeds, however, fail to realize that their waiter cannot be first all the time, or even most of the time. And if once in a while your waiter is a little slow, it might be that he was studying for a blue-book the night before.

Don't think the white-jacketed boys don't know you're talking about them, because they do. Why not give them a break? A few minutes more at the table won't ruin your life.
M. J. W.

vania air to a fireside in a mountain lodge. Simple fun like cooking your supper over the fire and topping it off with some merry yarns, stunts or skits, or some songs or poetry or other appropriate readings—these are the things that will be remembered when we are gone from Penn State. Hiking back in a brisk black or moonlit night is a keenly enjoyable experience as well as being conducive to study the next day.

The PSCA cabin is available for both large organized parties and small groups (the former taking precedence over the latter); the recreation lodge of the Phys. Ed. Dept. (at the ski trail) is used for formal and informal groups as well.
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