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Lion Tales

By M. J. WINTER

What'd we tell you—the weatherman timed that snow storm just right. It's a good thing the imports remembered to bring their snow shoes this time . . . Rec Hall was really rocking last night, and the most unusual thing about it was the dirth of cars outside the big red barn. At least the war is saving the pedestrians. But think of all the shoe leather scraped off on the walks and floors. More dances like that, and there won't be any 17 stamps left in Centre County.

Reverses

All you dear readers are probably searching this column to see if The Cub might have included your name in the "Among those beating it out at Soph Hop last night" drivel. Sorry, a columnist makes too many enemies that way. If a name's put in, readers say they don't like the publicity. If it's left out, we're accused of favoring a certain few. So, we'll finish that off with the one comment that agr Junior Hess finally came out of retirement to drag an import to the affair . . . Ed Pennington '40, former BWOC is in town this weekend with a new wife and a new second lieutenant's commission . . . Former All-College prexy, Bob Baird middle-aged it with Jean Alexander the other day. They'll live in Tennessee . . . the Bob Galley, phikappasig—Peggy Smith affair is off and on. Latest reports have it that she has the hardware now . . . Jim Drylie Phikappasig and Jean Niesley are pinned or about to be . . . Ducky Swan didn't get to Soph Hop because his home town girl picked an inappropriate time to get sick.

Here And There

At last Penn State is getting some good publicity. Did you see the Collegiate Digest last week with Betty Christman, Theta, on the front page? Well, the boys at West Point did, were impressed, and Chris heard about it via fan mail. What the Cadets are wondering is why she's hiding herself here . . . Rumor has it that former Player and now movie actor, Don Taylor was accused of being a wolf. Standing in line at the movies in Hollywood the other day, he was making conversation with his newly pinned girl. He asked her what kind of fur her coat collar was made of, and she answered, "Wolf." An eavesdropper dashed over and said to her, "That's all right. I'll take care of you."

In The Dorms

For years there's been an ugly rumor that one of the Greek mansions within view of Ath Hall (we didn't say which one) has a telescope trained on the coed domicile. Recently Campus Cop Ed Koval got wind of a similar astronomical instrument housed in the dorm. No one has confessed yet, but it'll be mighty funny when the operators meet eye to eye on these days . . . Then there's the tale of the Ath Hall coed who likes to eat newspapers. She's particular, though. Her favorites are the New York Times and, of all things, the Collegian. She eats only the white margins, of fresh papers. If this fad became general, it might solve the food shortage, except that the government has rationed newsprint, too. Wait till they hear about this.

Exodus

It seems that the boys leaving for the wars remember to get the money back on their AA books, turn in their ROTC uniforms, sell their books, and kiss the girls goodbye. But if things keep up as they have been, there won't be any books left in the library. Give the kids that are left here a break. They may need those books for reports like you did. How about turning in your books before you hit the road? —The Cub

Again, during the next year, one of America's most urgent needs will be for nurses. Paul V. McNutt, Manpower director, pointed out the other day that 65,000 young women must enter nursing schools between June 30, 1943, and July 1, 1944, "if even minimum civilian and military needs of the nation are to be met." This number exceeds the 1942-43 group by 10,000. Where state nursing laws permit, schools are being urged to reduce the usual period of training from three years to 30 months, or less.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Woody,
One of the fellows here had a few Collegians and we were going through them I noted by the tone and reference in a gossip column that the students are getting peeved at the Ensigns taking their girls, and in general not treating them too well.

It might help you to know that while at the Navy Pre-Flight School at the University of North Carolina, the sororities, fraternities, and dorms did all they could to make us feel at home. There were 38 of us Penn Staters there and we were welcomed cordially.

I'm in my advanced squadron—dive bombers—at the NATC in Corpus Christi. In about five or six weeks I'll have my wings. This is wonderful training we are receiving.

Emmet Fletcher, Dean Fletcher's son, is in the room next to mine. Ned Corman, John Dufford, John Heckman, Bill Collins, Jimmy Leyden, Dick Juve, Paul Bealefield, Earl Johnston, Homer Davis, Robert Q. Wallace, F. H. Wallace, Ralph Sayre, Tom Allison, Dick Carleton, Jay Hammon, Archy Brown, Jim McGough, Bill Batten, Glenn Bowers, Boyd Thompson, O. Russel, Tom Lynch, all Penn Staters, are here in advanced squadrons.

Best regards,
Don Krigger

Dean Hammond Clarifies Credit Rules for Engineers

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Dean Hammond made the following statement: "The present war extends beyond the trenches into every phase of our lives. The more trained men there are who can expedite the flow of production, the more efficiently our nation can function.

"There must be a correct balance between nerves and muscle, and right now there is a definite need for coordination in industry and in the armed forces, and in the government; coordination is a function of the nerves, and the nerves of our war effort are the trained men who can evaluate, and make correct decisions on the basis of facts, and those men are engineers."

The Dean completed his talk by saying, "Stick to it fellows, the present situation, the uncertainty with which we face the future is a crying example of our country's need for you."

To Collegian Subscribers

Collegian will not be issued Tuesday and Wednesday, March 2 and 3, because of vacation. Regular publication will be resumed again Friday, March 12, Philip Mitchell, business manager, announced last night.

'Engineer' Offers 2 Cash Awards

All technical students on campus will be given a chance to display their writing talents in a new contest, sponsored by the "Penn State Engineer," Charles R. Ammerman, editor of the publication, said last night.

Ammerman explained that since many students in the College are undoubtedly good writers on technical subjects, some plan should be launched to encourage the development of this field.

For the best article submitted each month, the editorial staff will award a first prize of \$10, and will give an award of \$5 for the next best.

Articles on any subject will be considered by the judging committee, but Ammerman said that stories on various technical matter will be preferred. The length of the article is optional to the writer, but should conform to the normal length of 1000 to 2000 words.

Since the next issue of the magazine will be printed soon after vacation is over, applicants for the award money must have their completed article in before March 15, the editor concluded.

Engineer School Lists Honor Roll Students

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M. Hessemer, M. E.; William R. Menzie, E. E.; Stanley L. Siegal, M. E.; Cyril M. Stein, I. E.; Robert F. Wheeling, E. E.; Robert B. Widder, A.; and Joseph S. Wilhelm, Jr., I. E.

Freshmen: James I. Adams, M. E.; Francis J. Accorsi, M. E.; Zelmor Barson, M. E.; Ray F. Boedeker, M. E.; Kenneth E. Glessner, M. E.; M. J. Gollub, E. E.; John C. Jones, M. E.; Martin A. Kutler, M. E.

Norman H. Marlin, I. E.; Carl R. Larson, Jr., M. E.; Leon I. Lock, M. E.; Robert P. Marshall, I. E.; John S. Murphy, M. E.; John B. Nesbitt, C. E.; Clarence R. North, E. E.; Alexander Petrowski, M. E.

Athlea J. Schaffer, M. E.; Matthias J. Schleifer, S. E.; John W. Schrage, E. E.; Rollo G. Smethers, M. E.; Gale E. Stockdale, M. E.; Robert W. Whitall, M. E.; John S. White, E. E.; and Stanley Wirtshafter, M. E.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

PSCA Cabin Party leaves Old Main, 1:30 p. m.
WRA Playnight, White Hall, 7 to 10 p. m.

At The Movies

GATHAUM—
"Immortal Sergeant"
STATE—
"Lucky Jordan"
NITTANY—
"Haunted Ranch"

Faculty And Gas And Tires

Everyone knows what car sharing is. But how many people practice it? Along with 'Conserve this' and 'Save that,' 'Share your car' has become one of the civilian battle cries of the war. Defense workers as well as other employees have been urged and urged again by their ration boards to develop such an arrangement.

Somebody raised the question recently, "Is the Penn State faculty and staff cooperating with ration requests and walking to work if they live within reasonable distance, or sharing their cars with others if they must drive to classes?"

And then this someone proceeded to count 75 automobiles in a parking lot back of one of the buildings. He proceeded to make this a representative portion of the campus.

A little rough figuring showed that there are approximately 150 employees of the College who work in the two buildings to which the lot is most accessible. Therefore there was approximately one car for each two employees.

If the faculty is sharing their cars at the minimum rate of two to a car this cross section could take care of the entire staff and no one would have to walk to work.

But this somebody also knew of lots of faculty and staff members who walked more than what would be termed reasonable distances to their work. He cited an agriculture professor who lived on West Fairmount avenue as an outstanding example.

Seventy-five cars for 150 people. Some of them walk, some of them are sharing these cars. Some of them live in isolated sections where both are impossible. But it would seem that there are many who could either walk or share a ride who don't. Why? R. D. S.

Big Dance Weather

Penn State has a tradition which is fast becoming more than a tradition—if that is possible. It has become habit-forming with the weatherman to turn on the worst elements when he sees that students in the Nittany Valley are set to have a good time.

And this weekend is no exception. Several days ago one would have thought that Spring had arrived prematurely. Agrarians on the Hill feared lest the warm weather should continue and bring out buds too soon. But they forgot to consider that Soph Hop was due the following weekend, and with it all the bad weather.

Weather is one topic which can always be discussed when there is nothing else to say. After the first "Hello" one can expect to hear "Nice day, today, isn't it?" Or if it's a big weekend, "Rain again."

Nothing that Penn State was getting a reputation for bad weather on special weekends, a Collegian reporter once went to the weatherman in the MI building. By comparing the amount of precipitation in State College with that in other parts of the State, it was found Penn State has the average, or slightly below the average of rainfall for the state as a whole.

"What makes students think Penn State is a rainy town," he stated, "are the big weekends when it always seems to rain."

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