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Hail, Alma Mater

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Well, what caused all this? Why should a group of upstanding fraternity and some independent boys want to destroy parking meters, lights and signs? Some say it was justified because the houses were ordered to move on such short notice. Collegian thinks not. Although they may not have had specific notice, they all expected an adjustment of some sort. Besides, how can damage of any sort rectify a patriotic duty?

Another reason may be mob rule. When a crowd gets together with a common feeling, almost anything is apt to occur. This is demonstrated by a report from the IFC president that the several dining room chairs fed to the bonfire in the middle of Locust Lane were not put in the fire by members of the house which owned the chairs. They were thrown in the flames by more than 10 fraternity and independent men who surged through the house and took them. That's mob violence.

But the third and perhaps most important reason for the trouble is the abundance of parties. Drinking has as much to do with it as any other factor. It is hard to believe that such riotous behavior should occur had everyone been completely sober. That's a hard thing to do. To publicly accuse a group of classmates of being unthinking drunks. To say they acted like babies. To say they let down a lot of fellow Penn Staters who were crediting them with ungrudgingly giving up their homes. To say the matter was disgusting and a black mark on this College's reputation. To learn that perhaps the boys aren't as well as they were thought to be.

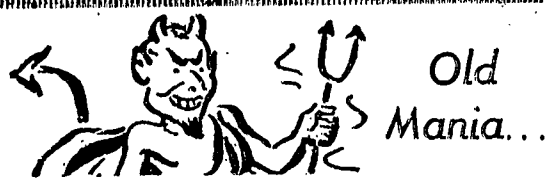
Who's going to pay the bill? very student in college, whether he was asleep, or out on the street acting like a savage, will share the burden of the cost through the "breakage" fee. It will be that much less money for the respective classes.

In September 1938, when thousands of students came outdoors to watch the aurora borealis and ended up in a pajama parade and \$500 worth of damage to parking meters and property, the Collegian had this to comment: "This college is an institution of higher learning. As a component part of that institution, every student should feel it his duty to augment he honor of it, not detract from it; to respect College authority, not rebel against it; to retain a sense of responsibility, not evade it.

"For your own good, remember once you're out of College, you'll find that life has no room for you unless you have a sense of responsibility, a respect for authority, a respect for other people's property, a steeled defense against spur-of-the-moment outbursts that may do more harm than good."

Collegian, 1943, merely says, "the army needs men. You fellows certainly didn't act that old on Saturday night. You're losing a lot by parting from your buddies, but remember there are better ways to have last moments together. Your sacrifice is nothing to what will be expected later. Other persons have lost things more valuable: things which perhaps tore them farther apart inwardly than this will—without losing their heads. Keep yours too."

—P. L. W.



By BOB KINTER

Rah Rah!!

Judging from the permanent dimout in the fraternity section, the Saturday night last-week-end-in-the-house celebration must have been quite a festive affair. The mob, in what appeared the last vestige of the old Rah Rah Days, was probably one of the wildest ever to keep the townsfolk from its solid 15 hours of sleep on Saturday nights. What with bonfires at practically every corner, including Co-op Corner, and one or two demonstrations at Atherton, they had a fairly complete going-away party. The only catch in the works was the local gendarmerie. John Law's august representatives succeeded in catching up with only one little fellow who was released on bail to the tune of '20 berries with trial impending probably Friday. He will, no doubt, be saved, though, because five of the student pre-legal eagles have graciously consented to act as counsel for the defense free of charge. We would like very much to see the show when the eagles go to work trying to make fools out of Squire Hart and Burgess Yougel, and wish them all the luck in the world. We're going to borrow the Alphasmaphi rowboat after they use it tomorrow night, and row out around the section through the beer foam to get one last look at the place before the army turns it into just a bunch of barracks.

Vacation Remembrance

While we're on the subject of the borough officials, we hear they got not a few complaints from fraternity house managers for the forty some fines they imposed on the houses for not shoveling the snow off their sidewalks during vacation in compliance with the borough ordinance requiring that action. Not expecting any great snowfall over the SPRING vacation, house managers probably made few arrangements for the cleaning which the borough apparently wanted. At \$4.40 per, the returns from that cracking down with the long arm of the law will amount to quite a tidy little sum. Incidentally, we hear that they're doing over the borough offices. Maybe they need the dough more than the fraternities did anyhow.

Skiping Semesters

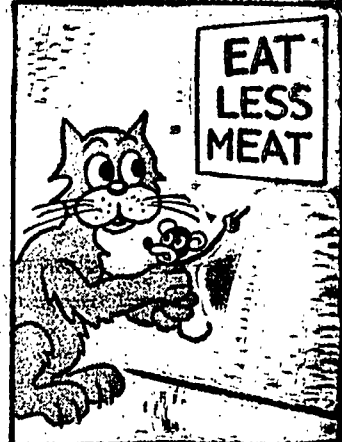
We finally made it to one of the women's dances after three years in college Friday night and find that the informality of them is something to be appreciated in no small amount. They also appeal to us as a columnist because they serve to point out to us what judies want to run around with what guys around here. Very interesting. Yes, very. Some of the faces we picked out in the colorful crowd help no end to add to that interest... Dotty Jones DG with Frank Kilcoyne Alphasig prexy... Polly Graham and Red Marsh... Kitty Vogel Kappa and another Red Marsh, this one a Teke... M. J. Winter Theta and Woody Witherow Lambdachi... Jo Ellen Loop and Lou Borges Phikappatau... Ann Caruthers and a Cadet picked up at the dance... Dorie Stevenson Theta and Lew Nichols Phikappasig... Marie Bauer Theta and Ralph D'Aurio Sigmapi... Marilyn Globish and Moon Mullan Phikappasig.

Aw Nutz!!

To get back to an old, old story, we were a little shocked to hear that, after so graciously deciding to give Dry Dock a break, Student Union board gave it a date on one of the heaviest social week-ends in the calendar. Harvest Ball and Pan-Hel Ball on the same weekend are nothing at all and should give the coke night club quite a chance to make out in its fight to get back into circulation.

We were scooped, really scooped, when Harry Coleman pulled All-College prexy Grey's marriage out of the hat Saturday night. Our spies have been severely reprimanded, if not fired, for missing out on that, the biggest story of the year. Rube (Eligible Bachelor) Faloon informed us the other day that Bob Davis, his former political opponent, is about to take the marital vows and become a member of the firm of Coleman and Faloon, Inc. on their ranch next to Centre Hills Country Club. One pinning to report to the public—Evie Williams is now wearing Gene Yeager's Sigmapi commando badge. Jim Casey, typical Froth man, is still swearing about his Saturday night Cadette date. It wasn't too bad if she didn't drink herself, but when she wouldn't let Jim drink, that was too much.

—MANIAC.



Army Considers More Fraternities

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Lane group is in the zone for Army Engineers who will arrive April 1.

Other fraternities will be taken over as needed and will be organized into zone units. By the time the quota is reached probably all houses will be rented by the Army or Navy.

See Editorial

Hundreds of dollars of damage resulted Saturday night when Penn State's fraternity section went on a "last fling" rampage as they prepared to evacuate for more than 1,200 incoming Army pre pre-flight, Army Specialized Training, and advanced R.O.T.C. students. The number has increased since then.

Borough officials were considerably aroused after a survey of damage from broken parking meters, street lights, street signs, and damage to homes.

"If any more of these occurrences come up, we'll have the State police here," one town official said. He also stated that another episode such as that Saturday night might result in calling approximately 1,400 students in the Enlisted Reserve Corps and Army Air Corps Reserve for immediate induction.

College mixed drinking rules were abandoned in many houses involved and created a problem of maintaining discipline during the next two weeks. Observers reported noise in the early hours of the morning, a bonfire in Locust Lane, heavy damage to at least one private residence, and a general care-free attitude.

Parties were plentiful. The incident marked one of the most riotous evenings the college has witnessed in at least the last three years.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Liberal Arts Student Council meets in 9 Carnegie Hall at 7:15 p.m. The new faculty advisor will be introduced.

PSCA publicity committee will meet in 304 Old Main at 6:30 p.m.

PSCA Forum meets in 304 Old Main at 6:45 p.m. Curtiss-Wright Cadettes invited.

Sophomore board meets in Collegian office, 8 p.m.

Hillel "Dateless Tuesday" dance, 4-5:30 p.m.

Alpha Lambda Delta will tutor frosh in 318 Old Main, 7-8:30 p.m.

Alpha Lambda Delta meets in Dean of Women's office, 5 p.m.

Junior-Senior Ball committee meets in 309 Old Main at 7:30 p.m.

WRA Bowling Club meets in White Hall alley at 6:30 p.m.

Rationing Will Follow England's Method Schettler Declares

"Follow England on the rationing situation and you may well decide the methods the United States will follow," stated Dr. Clarence Schettler in a brief discussion after his talk to All-College cabinet last night.

Schettler described very briefly the problem of the consumer in wartime which was keeping down the cost of living to keep up morale and consequently stimulating production to the highest peak.

"Many colleges have started lecture series and campaigns to inform not only students but clientel, faculty, alumni and administrators," Schettler said.

Dr. Schettler was brought here to be part of the Consumers Problems Conference sponsored by the PSCA and the Home Economics department.

Complete programs for the entire week featuring Dr. Benjamin R. Andrews, Columbia University, Lorna Barber, Regional Nutritionist, Dunae Ramsey, Field Representative, F. H. A., and Mrs. Conway Zirkle, chairman of Advisory Committee on Consumers Interests, may be had in the PSCA office.

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SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Fraternity

Sigma Nu, 20; Beta Theta Pi No. 2, 6. Phi Kappa Psi, 14; Sigma Chi, 8. Sigma Pi No. 1, 18; Phi Sigma Kappa No. 1, 7. Beta Theta Pi No. 1, 43; Kappa Sigma, 14.

Independent

Vagabonds, 17; Ingleside Club, 6. Fletcher House, 25; Grubersville J. V., 19. Podunk Prep, 12; Bell A. C., 11. Lions Den, 36; Allen Co-op, 13.

MONDAY'S RESULTS

Fraternity

Sigma Nu, 20; Phi Sigma Kappa No. 1, 10. Sigma Pi No. 1, 16; Sigma Chi, 12. Kappa Sigma, 20; Beta Theta Pi No. 1, 10. Beta Theta Pi No. 1, 26; Phi Kappa Psi, 11.

Independent

Fletcher House, 14; Allen Co-op, 11. Bell A. C., 14; Ingleside Club, 12. Lions Den, 17; Vagabonds, 9. Podunk Prep, 27; Grubersville J. V., 25.

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