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It Needs Backing

No matter what may happen in the shift of student government to fit wartime conditions, one thing is certain. It must be continued.

That statement is not said as a boost to All-College Cabinet, WSGA, IFC or any form of student government, for the mere purpose of patting them on the back.

They mean a lot more than just their names.

And when the Daily Collegian continually supports the actions of All-College Cabinet, it does so with a definite purpose in mind. That is so that student government at Penn State can be as strong as it possibly can. Noting conditions in many colleges where students have no voice in what the college does is reason enough to pull strongly for the student government. It's something students have always looked forward to—a part in helping the College map out its programs and activities.

Student government teaches democracy. It also teaches the students themselves how to meet problems here. It dumps tough situations on the student's laps so that they can well handle the problems when they face them after their college days.

Thus it has to be built up. It has to be fostered. It has to have support. The ideal of it is something to look to.

True, it has many little faults, and perhaps sometimes big ones. But these must in some measure be partially overlooked, or if criticized, criticized constructively.

There are times when the element of democracy has to be dropped in order to foster it. Sometimes it has to be changed to a more rigid form when a crisis comes, so that it can survive afterward as strong as ever. Now a crisis is present. The setup will have to be changed to perhaps a less representative form. But now, more than ever, it needs support, not criticism. Else the student would have no voice.

Playing With Fire

Four acres of 'ol Mount Nittany' were burned Sunday afternoon from a forest fire which was caused according to the fire warden for this district by 'student's negligence.' Officials are of the opinion that an open campfire built by picnickers either was not properly extinguished or got out of hand and resulted in the blaze. Only the prompt reporting of the fire averted a major conflagration.

When it comes right down to it, the fire warden has no cold proof that students caused the fire. However, residents of that neighborhood seeing a Penn State group in that immediate vicinity on Sunday and all indications point to the fact that they were responsible.

But who was to blame for this incident is not the point. Now it is time to make sure that no more such near-disasters occur.

Spring weather will bring out more and more campfires in the surrounding mountains and for-

CAPITAL TO CAMPUS

By Associated Collegiate Press

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—(ACP)—The Forgotten Man was a different kind of hero than is commonly supposed, has less glamour, but should rate with the immortals, maintains Dr. Frederic P. Woelner, professor of education at the University of California.

"The first allusion to 'the forgotten man' is conceded to have been made by Prof. Charles Sumner of Yale in 1871. He applied the term to the quiet, unobtrusive householder, who worked hard, sent his children to school and managed to save a little money for emergencies. The first Forgotten Man was in no sense a 'bum,' and it would still be appropriate to pay a little tribute now and then to him as the small man with a surplus."

AUSTIN, TEXAS—(ACP)—When the war is over and the soldiers turn civilian again, University of Texas business administration graduates returning from service again, will be prepared to start looking for jobs immediately.

During the depression years, when jobs were hard to get, the school of business administration worked out an arrangement with students for preparation of printed "data sheets," carrying a picture of the student and a statement of his qualifications for employment.

"There are so many jobs open now that a student does not need the data sheet as much as in other years," Dean J. A. Fitzgerald commented, "but most of our graduates are having them printed this spring anyway. The boys plan to keep theirs and put them into circulation when the war is over and they are de-mobilized."

Each student has 200 copies of his data sheet printed. Half of them he uses himself in looking for employment, while the dean's office keeps the rest to distribute to companies calling for graduates.

Living Tabloid

College theatre groups now have opportunity to stage a novel war-time play about better nutrition and effective management of available food supplies.

The show is "It's Up to You," which had its premiere in New York on March 31 under direction of Elia Kazan, director of the current Broadway successes, "The Skin of Our Teeth" and "Harriet."

Using "living newspaper" technique, the New York production had 27 scenes. But to mobilize college and community thespians in getting facts of the food situation to the public, and 1½-hour version in six scenes and a tabloid edition running 25 minutes will be supplied to non-commercial groups through OWI.

Films provided "scenery" with action taking place below or beside the screen. The government hopes to botain a hundred productions of "It's Up to You" by college groups this term and in early summer sessions.

Education Elsewhere

War's impact on American education is strong enough—but nothing like the problems of education in bleeding Russia. According to a report recently received in Washington from V. P. Potemkin, commissar of education, Russia has kept interference to a minimum amid actual combat.

Most schools maintained schedules. In districts temporarily seized by Nazis, the majority of children were evacuated deep into the rear in good time. Since numerous school buildings used for war purposes, schools frequently operates in two or three shifts.

As territory is freed, schools are restored. In the Moscow region, for example, 909 of 926 wrecked schools were fully reestablished by last May. Nor is there a teacher shortage in the USSR. This is largely due to timely evacuation of teachers in invaded parts to new locations. New crops of teachers' college graduates are helping to keep up the supply.

ests. But more and more campfires needn't cause more forest fires.

Every student should know a campfire is or is not fully extinguished and likewise they should know that there are proper and improper places to build campfires.

No one wants to set the world on fire literally.

—R. D. S.

Dr. Drummond Gives Physical Fitness Advice

Advice on the relation of food to physical fitness, recently given to students at the Pennsylvania State College, is applicable to every young man preparing to enter the armed forces of the United States.

Dr. Laura W. Drummond, head of the department of home economics, has advised students here to pay strict attention to their daily diets and to eat with the purpose of supplying all physiological needs as well as to satisfy their appetites.

"When you join the ranks of the armed services," she said, "you become a member of the best fed army any nation has ever had. No army, however, can be stronger than its individual men."

Dr. Drummond suggested the following daily diet:

1. Milk—1 or 1½ pints.
2. Egg—1 if possible (or substitute if necessary beans, peanuts, cheese, or more milk or meat).
3. Meat fish, or fowl—1 or more servings.
4. Potatoes—1 or more servings.
5. Vegetables—2 or more servings, one green or yellow.
6. Fruits—2 or more servings. One citrus fruit or tomato, or other good source of Vitamin C.
7. Cereal and breads—whole grain or enriched.
8. Butter—1 to 3 servings.
9. Other foods as desired to round out the meal.

"A steady diet such as this," Dr. Drummond said, "will supply all the needs of a man training in Florida's sunshine, the soldier stationed in the snows of Alaska, the skilled pilot flying over Berlin, the man behind the tank in North Africa's desert, the paratroops, who drop behind the battle lines, and the crew of the submarine lying at great depths."

"The right food for the soldier means a stronger body, better health, less fatigue, an alert mind, keener vision, and quicker healing wounds."

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

WRA Swimming Club will hold "Wheel of Fortune" in White Hall, 7 o'clock.

Softball practice will be held on Holmes Field, 4 o'clock.

WSGA Senate meets in White Hall WSGA Room, 7 o'clock.

House of Representatives meets in 318 Old Main, 5 o'clock.

Cadets Form Band-

(Continued from Page One) Stewart hails from Trenton, New Jersey, while Unwin addresses letters home to Rochester, New York.

Stewart's "roommate," Pvt. Carl Stuverazy, handles bass with Cappy Kaplan, Trenton, New Jersey, his alternate. Formerly a vocalist with Jerry Wald, Pvt. Mac-Theodore will do the vocal honors, and Pvt. Seymour Rosenthal, former pianist with Bunny Berrigan, is pianist. Position of trumpeter No. 1 goes to Pvt. David Spohn.

Pvts. Joseph Terrase, Robert Ritter, Joe Singer, and Jesse Pearl cooperate on the saxes to blend with Pvts. Bert Cottrell and Al Tevels on the trumpets. Pvt. Lynwood Smith plays trombone, and Pvt. Les Byrd shows up Alvena Raye when he brings in his electric guitar.

Professor "Hum" Fishburn of the music department lent a helping hand to the boys when he contributed a string bass, two saxophones, and music racks. Capt. Campbell, in charge of the group, and Lt. Cashion gave the group permission to go ahead, and the boys have been practicing on their own time in the evenings.

The band's opening engagement is Friday night at Dry Dock. Because they cannot play for compensation, Walt explained that his band would not offer competition to campus bands. "However, we would like to secure permission at some time if it is at all possible to let money we could get go for athletic equipment for the fellows. That way we could really be doing something worthwhile."

How much are you doing to "outfit the outfits" fighting for you?

You won't want to miss
The Penn State Players' Production
Love Rides The Rails
or
Will The Mail Train Run Tonight?

- Because of . . .
- The Specialty Numbers—
 - The recent ending scenes
 - The tremendous train wreck
 - The den of iniquity
 - The siren's boudoir
 - The gay and colorful costumes.
- Schwab Aud. 7:30
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