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WPB Steps In

Recently the War Production Board clamped down on uncontrolled buying of laboratory equipment by colleges that are getting ready for their influx of Army and Navy trainees.

In a move to assure all colleges sufficient equipment to teach physics and other required courses to the military students WPB ordered that colleges must get the Board's approval before ordering supplies. This move, WPB officials pointed out, will particularly protect the colleges whose V-12 and Army Specialized Training Programs don't start until summer.

By requiring WPB approval, excessive buying by any one college can be checked and the available laboratory equipment will be spread equitably among the many institutions that need it, WPB officials report. Before restrictions were ordered, laboratory supplies were being ordered by colleges at a rate which threatened to soak up more equipment than manufacturers could produce in two years.

The actual terms of the order provide that colleges must fill out WPB form PD-620, submit it to WPB, and present the approved form to the manufacturer when they order. Form PD-620 will require only one day to clear through the Washington office, it is estimated.

Even before the new order went through, colleges were not entirely free to buy laboratory equipment as they wanted it. A former order required colleges to obtain WPB approval before ordering equipment valued at more than \$50 per item. However, as most single items of equipment cost less than that, colleges in practice seldom had to deal through WPB. The present order in the form of an amendment to the previous one gives WPB complete control in the field for the first time.

Sunday Concerts

Presentation of the annual Sunday afternoon concerts by the department of music is one of the things Penn State wouldn't be quite the same without. Every year the series is looked forward to eagerly by the student body. In past years, when the enrollment was greater, some of the concerts were so popular that they were presented a second time. The Glee Club's program was one which drew exceptional response in past years.

Although the activities of the musical organizations are not quite as numerous as they were in pre-war days, those groups have been maintained and have not been seriously affected by the war.

The Glee Club formerly made a state-wide trip, but financial difficulties curtailed the tours to various colleges, high schools and clubs.

Nevertheless, the musical organizations, namely, the Blue Band, Glee Club, College Choir, College Symphony Orchestra, Phi Mu Alpha Orchestra, the Louise Homer Club, and the ROTC Band deserve special mention for the way they have carried on. Members of those groups have spent much time in practicing in order to present better programs to entertain Penn State students.

If this tradition of Spring Sunday afternoon concerts by the present groups has to go by the board through wartime necessities, it is a step which every Penn State will regret. The probable limited student body will not furnish enough talent to maintain the caliber of these organizations, but the Collegian hopes at least one can continue throughout the war to carry on the good job the others have done.

This Sunday the College Symphony Orchestra will present the fourth in the series of Sunday afternoon concerts sponsored by the music department. If it is like the other three it is certainly worth attending.

The CAMPUSEER

By BOB KIMMEL

We're all set to have ourselves a ripping time at the Player's Meller in the Auditorium tonite. . . . From the snatches we've seen during rehearsals, it's gonna beat "The Streets of New York" all hollow. . . . Our bet for stopping the show is Anna Radle, better known as Beulah Bell. . . . she wears a sexy outfit of black velvet and rhinestones, and sings one of those naughty 'naughty nineties' songs. . . . our favorite singer, Jane Abramson will be on hand too, with "Strike Up The Band" . . .

Ah, Spring

Maybe the weather man doesn't know about Spring, but lots of the guys and gals do, for we have a whole mess of pinning for a change. . . . of course, that blizzard yesterday while the Engineers were on parade was anything but the personification of Spring. . . . here's one we've been waiting for for a long time. . . . Ortrud Wurfl is now pinned to Carl Stokes, sigma chi. . . . Chub Rewbridge aopi is wearing Earl Allison's phikappatau badge, and Peggy Lou Chapman of the same house has Leighton Reese's tke pin. . . . B. J. Yost, gammaphibeta took over for Les Trout in the jewelry department, and Anne Brill accepted Gale Starr's kdr insignia. . . . Trudy Kortright, thetaphia, became engaged to Jim Measday, a recent alumnus, now a second looie at Fort Benning. . . .

Zeta Tau Alpha formal is scheduled for tomorrow night. . . . some of the couples that already have made plans are B. Anne Moorhouse and Ralph Peters, Betty Mock and Bob Parsons. . . . Joan Clark and Bob McNabb. . . . Ruth Brown and Bob Painter. . . . and Cassie Hays and Ed Williams. . . .

Faux Pas

The impromptu committee that arranged a party in one of the apartments around town for Jimmie Lunceford and his band last Friday fell down on the details. . . . seems there was to be an automobile call for Lunceford at intermission. . . . so Jimmie stationed himself in front of the 'Muscle Temple', and he waited and waited and waited. . . . but no car came for him. . . . and he didn't get to the party, although most of his band made out all right.

Black Market

We've heard some of the kids around here threatening to complain to OPA in Washington if the Spanish department doesn't come through with an explanation for the 7c surcharge for finals. . . . the reason now given is that it's for paper and printing. . . . Could be.



Women Join Orchestra

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Virginia Manley as secretary and Doris Gahn the librarian. The Symphony has felt the bangs of the draft call less than any other musical group because of the large number of women who are members of the orchestra, according to Director Fishburn.

Sunday the orchestra, with the combined forces of both men and women, will give a concert in Schwab auditorium. The "unwanted" have helped keep it going so that the 70 piece symphony can continue to be a part of the annual complimentary series again this spring.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

- WRA Executive Board meeting in WRA room at 6:30 p.m.
- Entire Sophomore Editorial Board will meet in the city room at 7 tonight. Refreshments will not be served.
- Lenten organ music in Methodist Church at 4:30 this afternoon.
- WSSF Committee meeting, 304 Old Main, 7:30 tonight.
- Grange square dance, 405 Old Main, at 7 tonight. Refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome.
- Junior Service Board meets in Miss Bentley's apartment at 5 p.m.
- IFC meeting in the Phi Delta Theta house at 7 tonight.

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