

War Fund Donations Reach \$855

General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus Opens Semester's Artists' Course; Kostrukoff Directs 27 Exiled Soldiers

The General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus troops into Schwab Auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight to present the first of three concerts included in the new Artists' Course Series.

Civilians may purchase single tickets for tonight's Artists' Course at \$1.75, plus tax, and servicemen may purchase them at \$1.00, plus tax, Dr. Carl E. Marguardt, professor of romance philology, announced.

The 27 exiled Russian soldiers, whose singing has won international acclaim for its range and stirring beauty, will be directed by Nicholas Kostrukoff.

Featured on tonight's program will be such "songs of the new war" as Les Knipper's "Song of the Plains," "Katusha," a simple song in the traditional folk spirit, telling of the loneliness of a soldier for his loved one; and "Beloved City," the farewell of an army pilot as he takes off to battle.

Balancing these "newcomers" to their concert schedule, the Don Cossacks will present traditionally favorite Russian liturgical music and folk songs, and Cossack melodies and dances of the pre-Revolution era.

The Don Cossack Chorus was originally a group of exiled students who spent their leisure hours singing at gatherings of their banished countrymen in Prague, Czechoslovakia, and surrounding towns.

Official founding of the chorus took place in 1926 under the patronage of the late Thomas Masaryk, at that time Czechoslovakian president, and Eduard Benes, then minister of the Foreign Office.

Much of the reason for the success of the Don Cossack's music is to be found in the words of Kostrukoff, their leader. "I am a self-taught musician," he admits, "but then, every Cossack is born with a soul for his music—and by his music I mean the traditional folk music of the Cossacks of the Don, or Kuban, or the Ural Mountains, or the Caucasus. There are many varieties of Cossacks; we are the Don Cossacks, and every member of my Chorus is a Cossack born and bred. The music we give, song or dance, is traditional, and has been sung or danced in the

manner in which we present it for the past three centuries."

Typical of the press's opinion of the Chorus are the comments of Herman Devries in the Chicago American, after an appearance by the Don Cossacks there:

"The Platoff Don Cossack Choir created a sensation by its unique, magnificent and thrilling performance," Devries writes. "This Choir cannot be likened to any similar organization that has visited Chicago, for the reason that the men excel as supreme vocalists, capable of producing the most stunning tone, either when roaring forth in booming sonority, or when uttering whispered phrases of heavenly beauty."

Cabinet Continues Big Dance Plans

The return of the big-name band dance to the College campus became likely last week as interested students clipped a Collegian article, signed their names to it, and turned it in at Student Union.

The purpose of this informal student poll, according to Horace Smith and Les Stine, chairmen, is to provide assurance that such an affair will receive the support of the student body and servicemen. In order to obtain the permission of the administration to sponsor the dance, the committee must submit an estimate of the number who will attend.

Tentative plans for the dance include a date of some Saturday in the middle of January, and a price of \$3.85 for civilians and \$2.75 for servicemen.

Persons who would like to see the big weekend make a comeback on campus, and who did not participate in last week's clipping and signing, are asked by Smith to follow the same procedure with this week's story. The chairman stressed that the committee must have this assurance of support before it can continue with plans.

Five Lone Frosh Appear At Tribunal's First Trial

With only five freshmen ready to stand trial at their first meeting, Tribunal got off to a slow start, a slowness which was emphasized later in the meeting when lack of evidence made conviction possible for just two of the charges.

Urging all upperclassmen to turn in the names of violators, Howard Millikin, chairman, stated that so far upperclassmen have not been cooperating and as a result many freshmen are violating customs and dodging Tribunal at the same time.

When Tribunal took their first threatening step they were able to inflict penalties on only two of the green-dinked youths. Of these two, just one remained on campus long enough to wear the court-issued sandwich sign. Ted Thompson, on trial because he didn't adhere to bible customs, left campus for the Air Corps, leaving Ned Datz alone

Froth Sells 3 for 25 In Bargain Day Sales

Froth will be sold at ten cents an issue or three for a quarter until December 11, George M. Graham, editor of the alleged humor magazine, announced.

For anybody who cares, there will be a combined business staff meeting in the hole in the wall called Froth office in Carnegie, 7:30 p.m. Monday. Candidates for business staff are frantically urged to attend also.

Good Announces Freshman Rules For Candidates

Enthusiastic wearers of green bows and dinks will elect their semester president and treasurer in the Sandwich Shop from 10 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 15, according to Peggy Good, chairman of the Elections Committee.

Cliques will nominate the candidates, and Miss Good urged all freshmen interested in politics to attend these meetings.

The Lion clique will meet in 305 Old Main at 7:30 p.m. Sunday to nominate candidates, according to Robert C. Hastedt, clique chairman.

Key party members jumped ahead of the Lions by holding early elections for freshman candidates. Leigh Woehling and Betsy Heagy were the names released for president and treasurer candidates, respectively, by Horace Smith, recently reelected party chairman. Shi Sink replaces Sue Clouser as Key treasurer. Interested freshmen are invited to attend the Key clique meeting in 305 Old Main at 8 p.m. Tuesday, according to Smith.

The following statements are taken from the code for this election.

Any first semester freshman is eligible for nomination of president or treasurer of his respective semester, the election code states. To be nominated, a candidate must receive a plurality, i.e., more votes for that particular office than any
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Raffle At IMA-IWA Dance To Climax Student Campaign

War Fund donations which rolled into the Collegian office up until yesterday afternoon and pushed the net to date to \$855 made it likely that the student population will contribute at least \$1,000, or one-half of its goal, by the time the drive closes tomorrow noon. Pulling of winning numbers in the War Bond Raffle will take place at the Independent students' dance in the Armory tomorrow night.

As the paper went to press last night, there was still a possibility that solicitation would be permitted in Navy-Marine barracks. In such a case it is believed that final results will approach the goal.

Organizations which have reported intention of donating from their funds include WRA, \$100; PSCA, \$100; WSGA, \$75; Cwens, \$35; Alpha Lambda Delta, \$15; ISC, \$5; and Penn State Club, \$5. Mortar Board and Panhellenic Council reported that they will probably contribute, although they could not name a definite amount. All organizations which have not yet considered a donation are urged to do so at their next meeting. Contributions will be accepted after the deadline from those groups which do not meet before Saturday noon.

Because solicitation is not permitted in ASTP and Air Corps barracks, and possibly may not be permitted in Navy-Marine units, members of these groups may make their donations at the War Fund booth in Old Main today and tomorrow morning.

Prizes in the lottery will be one \$50 and two \$25 War Bonds, and tickets sell at 50 cents each or three for \$1.

The National War Fund distributes money and supplies among 17 major war relief associations which serve men and women in the armed services and civilians at home on the battlefield and in Allied and subjugated nations. Through its coordinated program, the need for appeals by separate groups is eliminated.

Military services include the establishment and maintenance of 1,800 USO clubs, service offices, 45 centers at home and overseas for merchant seamen, and supplying of books, musical instruments, and other sorts of recreation equipment for those interned in prison camps.

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Martin Appoints 6 New Trustees

Five of the six appointees to the Board of Trustees announced at Harrisburg today by Governor Edward Martin have served the College in past years. W. Stewart Taylor, Harrisburg, is the lone newcomer.

Mr. Taylor, youngest member on the board, is the son of State Senator M. Harvey Taylor and was graduated from the College in 1923. He has since been engaged in the insurance business with his father at Harrisburg.

Mrs. Clara C. Phillips, Washington, who was reappointed, is an active member of the State Grange, and served as a trustee of the College for eight years prior to her reappointment in December, 1939. She was largely instrumental in securing the erection of Grange Dormitory.

Others reappointed by Governor Martin were Howard J. Lamade, Williamsport; Harry M. Moses, Pittsburgh; Edgar C. Weichel, Scranton; and Roger W. Rowland, New Castle. Mr. Rowland and Mr. Lamade are both graduates of the College.

Mr. Lamade, secretary and business manager of Grit Publishing Company, is a native of Williamsport, and attended Wrentham Military College before enrolling at Penn State. He was graduated from the College in 1912 with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. He then went to the University of Missouri, where he earned a bachelor's degree in journalism.

Mr. Moses, a graduate of Wabash College in Indiana, is president of the H. C. Frick Coke and Associated Companies, subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh. He is a native of Westville, Ill., and served in the first World War.

Mr. Weichel was born in Scranton, and graduated from Scranton High School in 1903. He has been affiliated with a number of coal companies in the Scranton area, joining the Hudson Coal Company as mining engineer in 1923. His present position with that company is assistant general manager in charge of operations.
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Dutch Treat Dance Given By IMA, IWA

IMA and IWA will cooperate in sponsoring a Dutch Treat Dance at the Armory from 9 to 12 Saturday, which, in the words of its co-chairmen, will be a "mixer par excellence." Boy and girl stags will be especially welcome according to Helen L. Schimide and Bernice B. Strozeski, the co-chairmen.

Features of the dance include a jitterbug contest at intermission, mixer dances of many varieties, and a Collegian Lottery table. Contestants for the jitterbug titles must sign up at the door. Separate cash prizes of \$2.50 will be given to both members of the winning couple.

Admission also is to be on an individual basis, with a charge of 35c per person charged. The dance is named "dutch" for this reason.

Committees for the affair as released by Miss Schimide, include: Charles Hurley and Jack Murray in charge of records; Ted Himka, Alice Drumm, and Mildred McAllen managing the coke bar, and Helen Schimide, Bernice Strozeski, Sidney Rivenburg, and Arthur Goldberg engaged in publicizing the event.

Budzak Says Big Name Dance Not Probable

Paul Budzak, chairman of IFC Dance Committee, announced that there is little possibility of a name band dance to be sponsored by IFC. The main reason stated by Budzak is that last semester's name band dance was not a successful financial affair. Also, transportation difficulties and the decrease in civilian student enrollment have hindered likelihood of presenting the dance.

LaVie Calls Candidates

All candidates for LaVie staff will meet in 315 Old Main at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week, according to Rozanne Brooks, LaVie editor. Candidates are needed to carry on the records of the classes, Miss Brooks added.