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Collegiate Review

Under Indiana University's activity-point system, all extra-curricular activities for students are weighted with a definite point value, determined by a Board of Standards. Coeds are not permitted to carry an extra-curricular load of more than 100 points a semester.

Cold weather strikes elsewhere besides State College, it seems, for the Oklahoma Daily of the University of Oklahoma tells how non-skid shoes and shock absorbers are needed for university coeds on days when it rains, sleet, snows, and freezes at the same time. The paper reports that coeds wear everything from Indian mocassins to riding boots, slacks, jeans, and jodphurs to combat the weather.

With the purchase of 25 cent war stamps at the Trojan Victory Hut, Southern California students will be given a ride around campus in a jeep. This feature will make the start of the Fourth War Loan drive on the USC campus. Among other major attractions will be an exhibition of Army vehicles and equipment and an all-university bond show.

The University of Oregon Emerald reports that fraternities have been transferred into girls' dormitories, reversing the procedure here where they have been converted into barracks.

Because of an expected normal enrollment of freshman in the fall and enrollment of returning war veterans, Boston University fraternity houses may be reopened, according to fraternity members now in the university.

A new job of the military division of the University of Utah has been selling horses. Since the unit has been converted from cavalry to mechanized, the only use for its 78 horses has been for girls' riding classes.

February 5 seems to be a favorite night for "big" dances, because Syracuse University and University of California will hold their Winter Carnival and Military Ball, respectively, simultaneously with State's Winter Ball.

A professor at Boston University has come to the conclusion that "the American people are victims of spectatoritis." Because of his varied experiences in the field of musical direction, he is convinced that any program can be made more interesting by having the audience sing. In fact, he even declares that if a person who had never been in the habit of singing suddenly began to do so he would live a year longer!

Penn Statements

By SERENE F. ROSENBERG

It begins to look like men are from the front there will be a gen- coming back into their own on eral liquidation of Moscow jour- campus again with the addition of nalists."

"Over Hill and Dale" and "Buzz- ing the Field" to these pages. At least with competition what it is well on the way to becoming, even parts of columns are trying to sneak into various pages of the paper at the slightest provocation. We refer you to the inimitable Srdlu of Shrdlu and Etacoin fame in "It Says Here." Seems the little fellow has caught on to the fact that he gets his big chance just once every other week, and so using his pull with linotypists he achieved added glory in the Collegian of January 7. In the weekly Players buildup, second paragraph third line from the bottom, appeared and we quote, "Miss Sevast, who was re-Moon is Down shrdlu cmfwyp." Since Shrdlu already has a partner, we saw the proper authorities and have now adopted "Cmfwyp," pronounced "Seem-foo," for our own pet.

Repeating, But . . . These last two weeks have seen the addition of an ASTP and Air Corps column to pages four and five. By next week the Navy and Marines may have come through with a V-12 column. The offer made a few weeks ago to servicemen for Collegian reporting still goes. We can't be sure of just what new material we may or may not have in future issues. But one thing we are counting on for next week's paper is a successful drive story. Two ice cream cones, two cokes, or just ten cents worth of fudge at Morrell's from each of you will guarantee it, and if it sounds like a big order we'll put it this way. Before you've spent the last of your allowance for the week, drop ten cents of it into the "March of Dimes" box at the Corner. The campus goal is just \$500, and if each student comes through with just one dime, we'll go over the top with ease. How about it?

Ours Is A Lion . . . When students in a 4 o'clock Portuguese class got to the classroom minutes before an unsuspecting prof last week, they decided the hour held promises of greater things, gathered their little flock together and departed. Promptly at the end of the deadline ten minutes the good man appeared. The room was deserted. He waited around just to be sure and was rewarded when one student, a real good neighbor from Cuba, appeared. "Where is my class?" wailed the unhappy teacher. "I don't know," said the boy who had passed the fleeing linguists on their way down the exit steps of Sparks. "I think it's a mascot." And only after due deliberation did the instructor realize that what our Cuban friend meant was "mass cut."

They'll Be Sorry . . . The Penn State Christian Association distributes a weekly bulletin, entitled "This Weekend," to all the barracks on the campus and one professor remarked to his in the town. It carries announcements of all weekend activities.

\$500 Isn't Much

Five hundred dollars isn't very much money to set as a goal for the campus Infantile Paralysis March of Dimes campaign. Reduce it to a matter of simple mathematics: there are some 5700 students on campus; 3300 civilians, 1000 AST engineers, 800 V-12's, and 600 Air Corps men. A dime from each of them adds up to \$570, an excess of \$70 over the goal which has been set.

Another angle which should appeal to students who seem to resent high-pressure drives for donations, is the simplicity with which the campaign is being conducted. There will be no speeches, no frantic pleas to do your duty, no inducements to persuade you to give your money. All you do is drop your dime into one of the bottles which will be set up in front of the Corner Room on Tuesday.

Nothing is being raffled off, no buttons or pins will be given in return for your dime. Your only reward, if you need one, is the knowledge that you're helping someone who needs help. That should be enough. Take the Infantile Paralysis Campaign slogan literally and add your 10 cents to the nation-wide March of Dimes. Someone else needs that dime more than you do.

Coeds Carry On

Penn State is going to have its own version of Phil Spitalny.

It all came about when the USO planned a dance and was unable to hold it because the only band left on Campus was all booked up. It then occurred to some far-sighted person that women were replacing men on a lot of other fronts, why not in campus bands?

Talented coeds are now trooping enthusiastically to rehearsals and trying to get their jam sessions over in time to abide with Judicial's hour regulations.

If the outfit really gets hep, in all probability, it will take over the Campus Owl's present monopoly next semester, according to maestro Bud Wills, who has been having quite a time keeping his clan together.

The manpower shortage has opened many other previously excluded activities to coeds. Witness, for instance, the Blueband, cheerleading, and even Collegian. Here's just one more opportunity for any energetic coed to do her bit. And with all the servicemen stationed here, and with entertainment facilities such as they are, one such coed would be helping out. Even though it would mean missing a few dates and putting in long hours of practice, it can be done.

Thirteen coeds are now enrolled. Any would-be members of this new venture should contact Mrs. James E. Wisden at Hummel Fishburn's office, Carnegie Hall. H.V.H.

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