

Buzzing The Field

with Roger

We believe the overwhelming majority opinion of the Air Corps applauded The Collegian editorial of last week on the proposed curtailment of ASTP, and particularly the spirit with which the ASTP men received the proposal, which was, and here we quote the editorial: "It's a darn good idea—about time we quit going to classes and got down to cases with the war." Our opinion of college training seems to corroborate theirs: it is a necessary part of our training but it isn't doing what we came into the Army to do—fight the war. We like it here; if ever there was a "set-up" in the Army, this is it. And yet, we aren't entirely satisfied with ourselves, because you don't take a crack at the enemy and you don't win campaign ribbons while fighting the Battle of Penn State.

The Harrisburg Evening News this week reported a War Department announcement that 15 Pennsylvania colleges, among them Penn State, will no longer receive AAF trainees. "Those now in training," the report stated, "will be able to complete their courses." Class 44-F was the last group to arrive here, and the Air Corps will be conspicuous by its absence along about the end of June.

on campus during the spell of "spring" weather were not designed as recruiting campaigns for the Army Air Forces, nor to make coed hearts quiver and quake. If you've ever done any drilling with the cadence provided by the usual hut, toop, threep, fourp, you know how monotonous it gets. But throw in a band, and civilians in uniform become "sharp" old soldiers.

Biggest Air Corps news of the moment is the impending Green Tag Swingout, which will invade Rec Hall next Friday. The squadron sweethearts have all been elected. The judges, the detachment's commissioned officers, will give them the once over during the dance, and their decision will determine the Queen of the Swingout, who will be Air Corps Queen until the next class dance. We will take no bets on the winner, as the line-up is close; all five are chic, more or less athletic, intelligent and seem to like Air Corps men.

Don't be alarmed if you see clouds of smoke billowing from various class buildings during the week. A new ruling now permits Air Corps men to puff a reefer now and then in campus powder rooms.

Rumor or otherwise, the story goes that a woman once asked an Army officer whether wars could be eradicated. His reply was: "Not as long as women like to see a man in uniform." Songs like "There's Something about a Soldier" follow this logic. If such were true, we would grab a job as hotel doorman or railroad conductor after the war, and all our problems would be solved. We believe, however, that in peacetime a "page out of Esquire" is more in demand.

Final Exam

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Zool 6—Feb. 24, 8, 105 FL
 Zool 25—Feb. 24, 1:20, 206 Ag
 Zool 26—Feb. 23, 8, 100 Hort
 Zool 27—By appointment
 Zool 29—Feb. 24, 10:10, 109 Ag
 Zool 41—Feb. 21, 8, 105 FL
 Zool 437—Feb. 18, 8, 114 FL
 Zool 440—By appointment

Movies for Servicemen

"Palm Beach Story," starring Claudette Colbert, Joel McCrea and Mary Astor, will be presented in 121 Sparks to men in uniform Sunday afternoon.

The showings will be at 1:30 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.

PSCA is presenting this as part of their program for servicemen. Last Sunday over 700 enlisted men saw "Yank in the RAF."

Clifton C. Woodward was selected president of the Omega chapter of Theta Chi fraternity at the University Club Tuesday night. He will serve for next semester along with Walter A. White, vice-president; Edward W. George, secretary; Ellwood B. Cassel, treasurer; and Paul Galvanek Jr., chaplain.



Florence Angle Loihle



Joanne Weest



Jeanne Schrupf

44-B Names Sweethearts

The Air Corps will again take over Rec Hall next Friday when it presents Green Tag Swingout, its fifth "Queen" formal, from the hours of 8 to 12.

While Charlie Harmon and his 13-piece Air Corps dance band, featuring the "Sky Blazers," provide the rhythm, the 330th C. T. D.'s commissioned officers, acting as judges, will pick the new Air Corps Queen, who will be titled "Queen of the Swingout." The Queen will not be chosen by an election based on pictures of the contestants, as erroneously announced last week.

Announced this week as "sweet-

hearts" of Squadron B and D and the band as their entries for the Queen contest were the following:

Jeanne Schrupf, freshman majoring in elementary education and Chi Omega pledge, will do the royalty honors for Squadron B. A green-eyed brunette, Miss Schrupf definitely intends to make teaching her career for a time. On campus she is a member of PSCA and the Outing Club. She will be escorted by A/S M. H. Steiner.

The sweetheart of Squadron D and the only non-coed contestant is Florence Angle Loihle, the wife of A/S Malcolm Loihle. Mrs.

Loihle will travel here from Union, N. J., to take part in 44-B's farewell dance. It will also be a "homecoming" affair, as she was born in Muncy Valley of this state.

Completing the bevy of sweethearts is Joanne Weest, Alpha Omicron Pi pledge, the Band Squadron's bid for the crown. Miss Weest is a first semester freshman and a psychology major. Her escort will be A/S Charlie Harmon, who will perform the double duty of leading the Air Corps dance band and serving as the other half of the band's royal couple on the floor.

Air Corps Trainees To Be Withdrawn

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fields, Kelly and Randolph, now found similar stations being erected at a fast pace. As soon as the personnel at these stations had been activated, a skeleton force was removed and transferred to another new field to lay the framework there.

Time was precious, capably trained men most vital, knowledge needed to be exact. The entire nation united in the project. Students, laborers, white collar workers answered the call, tossing aside their vocations to begin work on an effort which might mean the saving of lives and time.

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numbers now belonged to this great organization that few men remained for its continued evolution.

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