

## Local Organizations Sign Louis Fischer To Lecture

Eleven local and campus organizations will sponsor the lecture of Louis Fischer, internationally known author, European correspondent, and speaker, on April 20, announced Dr. E. B. Van Ormer, chairman of the Parent-Teacher Association's program committee.

The authoritative lecturer will speak on the "Dawn of Victory," it was announced. Information for lectures, books, and articles was gleaned from a week's conference with Ghandi concerning India's place in post-war planning, years of work as a foreign correspondent, and a lifetime of studying Soviet affairs.

Mr. Fischer has been designated as the best authority on Russia among the journalists. Maxim Litvinoff, Russian ambassador to United States, is quoted as saying that he keeps Fischer's two-volume "Soviets in World Affairs" on his desk for reference.

In his role of author, Mr. Fischer has turned out such best-selling non-fiction as "Men and Politics," his autobiography, "Soviet Journey," "Oil Imperialism," and "Empire." After his private conference with the Indian politician, he wrote the informative "A Week with Ghandi."

Despite the difficulties incurred in contracting a lecturer during war time, tickets for the lecture will sell for 25 cents, Dr. Van Ormer stated, with the sponsoring organizations making up the deficit.

The groups sponsoring the lecture are: Parent-Teacher Association, American Association of University Women, Hillel Foundation, Penn State Christian Association, Kiwanis, Rotarians, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, State College schools, and the Women's Club of State College.

### Slide Rule Ball on Way

Plans for the annual Slide Rule Ball, to be held at Recreation Hall some time in May, include mellow music, smooth dancing, and many other novelty schemes, according to "Penn State Engineer" staff members. Walter Baxter, newly-appointed chairman of the dance committee, is trying to make this affair top the previous one for entertainment and fun, it was affirmed.

More juveniles would stay at home nights if they were made to feel at home there.



LOUIS FISCHER

## Committee Studies Postwar Situation

The College today announced the creation of a research committee designed to assist communities of Pennsylvania in meeting their postwar problems.

The committee, described by Dr. C. W. Hasek, chairman and head of the department of economics and sociology, as an advisory agency, will be officially known as the Research Committee on Economic Development in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Hasek said the committee will concern itself largely with compiling information on industrial and economic problems, in close cooperation with community representatives, these findings to be utilized in charting postwar programs.

Requests for this assistance have already come to the committee from approximately 20 Pennsylvania towns and cities. Dr. Hasek emphasized that local committees are a prerequisite in such an undertaking, since the College committee serves principally as a "clearing agency" for community groups.

### UNBEATEN AS COLLEGIAN

Billy Soose, former middle-weight champion just returned from 18 months in Alaska with the Navy, was undefeated as a college boxer at Penn State.

## Syracuse Debate Squad Wins Decision Over 2 College Representatives

Taking the affirmative of the question, "Should the Accelerated College Program Be Continued After the War?" the Syracuse University debate team on Wednesday won the decision in a debate with the men's debate team. Debaters for Penn State were Louis Ullman and Ottis Castleberry.

A preamble to the question, introduced by Brian Sanders of Syracuse, defined "accelerated program" as "a reduction of the time required to obtain a degree."

Presented to the audience by Martin Cohn, affirmative floor leader, amendments to the resolution provided: (1) for three semesters of 16 weeks each, (2) attendance in any one semester optional, (3) professors to be given one full semester (16 weeks) vacation with pay every two years if at all possible.

Members of the affirmative stressed the point that the accelerated program should be in no way compulsory for students and that those desiring to take an accelerated course be required to take examinations measuring their mental and physical ability to take the pace.

Negative debaters attempted to show that the accelerated program is detrimental to the health and recreational opportunities of students as well as to the opportunities of professors for preparation of class materials and research.

Considerable debate from the floor was occasioned by the Syracuse contention that students should be allowed to graduate from college earlier so that earlier marriages and higher birth rates would become more prevalent.

## Canadian Will Discuss Re-education of Nazis Held in Prison Camps

"What is happening to the six million men behind barbed wires?" This and many other questions concerning prisoners of war will be answered by Mr. Dale D. Brown, secretary of the War Prisoner's Aid in Canada, when he speaks at an open meeting in the Hugh Beaver Room, 304 Old Main, at 7:30 tonight.

For the past two years Mr. Brown has assisted in the re-education of German prisoners in the Canadian camps. According to the secretary, McGill and other universities are holding classes of English, American, and European History, Philosophy, Latin, Music, and some technical subjects in the camps.

In accord with Mr. Brown's request, the coeds in PSCA Freshman Forum will collect useful books next week, the majority of which will be used in prison camps housing Americans in Germany. Students are asked to bring clean, useful volumes to 304 Old Main so that they may be sent to the camps.

As Canadian representative for the World Student Christian Association, Mrs. Brown will accompany her husband from Toronto to discuss with members of the PSCA cabinet the work and needs of students the world over.

## Men's Debate Tryouts Begin Wednesday Night

Tryouts for the Men's Debate Team will be held in 316 Sparks at 7 p.m. Wednesday, according to Louis Ullman, manager of the team.

All men wishing to participate should come prepared to deliver a five minute speech on either side of the question, Resolved: "That the United States should cooperate in establishing and maintaining an international police force upon the defeat of the Axis."

## Bell Takes Eighth Semester Post As New College Party Makes Debut

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**Treasurer:**  
Shirley Fink, Key ..... 34  
Howard Millikin, Lion ... 31

**Sixth Semester**  
**President:**  
Gloria Whyel, Lion ..... 84  
Roy DeLaney, Key ..... 40  
Joseph Mohan, College .. 35

**Treasurer:**  
Fred Mazzitelli, Lion .... 84  
Raymond Shibli, Key .... 52  
Violet Nagle, College .... 21

**Fifth Semester**  
**President:**

## Army Reduces ASTP From 900 to 300 Men

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for this training. However, no one knows how many will be sent to Penn State," declared Lt. Col. Mills.

Informed Washington leaders say the new program is planned to "replace some of the loss" which will result from curtailment of the present Army program. Because of withdrawals to 110,000 men by April 1.

War Secretary Henry Stimson said the reason for reduction was active duty, ASTP will be reduced because of imperative military necessity. The following War Department announcement supplemented Stimson's statement:

"The shortage of personnel from which the Army is now suffering has led the War Department to drastic decisions during the past week. Because of the inability of selective service to deliver personnel according to schedule, the Army is now short 200,000 men who should have been in uniform before the end of 1943.

"The increased tempo of offensive operations, together with mounting casualties demanding immediate replacements in the field, have created a situation which has necessitated drastic economies in the employment of personnel throughout the United States."

Affecting 220 colleges that cooperated in the training program since its inception in December, 1942, the order was interpreted by Dr. George F. Zook, president of the American Council of Education, as having a serious effect on schools already hard hit by war.

Charles Alcorn, Key .... 108  
Edward Carson, Lion .... 97

**Treasurer:**  
Allene Babbitt, Lion .... 132  
Betty Shenk, Key ..... 72

**Fourth Semester**  
**President:**  
Julian Anderson, Key ... 98  
Alice Hooper, Lion ..... 78  
Joseph Mayers, College .. 19

**Treasurer:**  
Nancy Bartch, Lion ..... 92  
Lois Cleaver, Key ..... 75  
Edna Faddis, College .... 28

**Third Semester**  
**President:**

Doris Stack, Lion ..... 104  
Abram Bosler, Key ..... 48

**Treasurer:**  
Fred Swingle, Lion ..... 81  
Mary Davey, Key ..... 72

**Second Semester**  
**President:**

Peter Johnson, Lion ..... 180  
Richard Mauthe, Key ..... 116

Robert Barefoot, College 80

**Treasurer:**

Joan Harrington, Lion ... 160  
Jeanne Schrumppf, College 111

Betsy Heagy, Key ..... 105

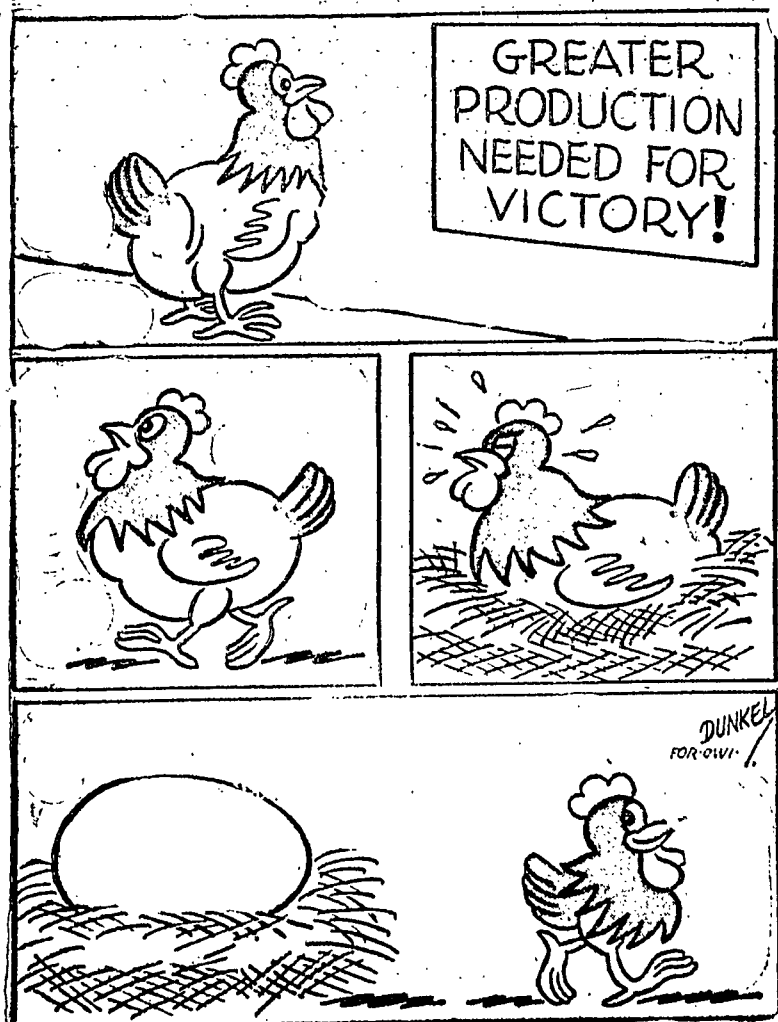
## Fletcher Releases Ag Honor Roll

Dean S. W. Fletcher, School of Agriculture, has released the names of the following students who have attained an average grade of 2.5 or over during the fall semester, 1943:

Mary Eldrid Anderson, Ruth Ellis Atkinson, Cora Charlotte Bierbrauer, Wilbur Charles Bigelow, Dale Luther Bower, Marcella Helen B. Chervenak, Marcia Ann Conroe, Paul Henry Cutler, James Loeb Dannenberg, Harold Wilson Geiger, Remzi Gurcay, Vernon Jay Leininger, Robert Jones Lillie.

Michael Richard Lynch, Lois Baker McCool, Jane Elizabeth Mahaffey, Mary Jane Matrishin, Henry Menge, Marian Josephine Miller, Isabel Laura Myers, Clayton Fuller Northrup, Mildred Edith Raesler, Robert Allen Schrack, Irwin Shishko, Elizabeth Alice Strippel, and Israel Zelitch.

Navy V-12 Trainees include Kenneth Stephenson McClain, Arnold Richard Chiquoine, Robert Otto Brandenberg, and Allen Jean Vohden.



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