

Lion Shrine Fills Need For Site Of Pep Rallies

By RUTH CONSTAD

Green dinks and the "hello" spirit prevalent around campus these days brings to mind the fact that at one time Penn State was without a suitable spot on campus where freshmen rallies could be held and the entering frosh properly inducted into the college life, by whatever various and sundry (and we might add painful) methods the upperclassmen chose.

Believing that the Penn State spirit could be fostered if they could obtain an outdoor meeting place where jubilant deeds could bring the praises of dear old Swasti, the College agitated for new reservation grounds. The class of 1940 came through in style.

In the same year they commissioned Heinz Warneke, the sculptor, to perpetuate in stone the symbol of our school, the famous Nittany Lion. Herds of students gathered to watch the artist as the thirteen-ton block of Indiana limestone "roughed out" into a miniature Mount Nittany.

The setting for the shrine was a landscape of shrubs and trees lending the site near the water tower an atmosphere of informality that made it ideal for college rallies. At the same time it provided a setting for the lion that set it off to distinction.

Sketches were made of the various positions in which the lion might be done, and a variety of materials were tested before it was decided to sculpture it in stone. A vote was taken and the Lion Shrine Committee was unanimous in choosing the crouching model with one paw forward, ready to spring, which embodies the power and strength of the Nittany Lion.

Prof. J. Burn Helme has said of it that "the intelligent alertness of the head, the controlled energy of the muscles, the meaningful shadows which produce plane: that are expressively related to the power of the animal, all testify to the rightness of the committee's choice."

Scores of students who have been photographed on the back of the lion owe the accomplishment of the feat to the express designs of the author. The sculptor arranged the planes of the miniature mountain, on which the lion is mounted, so that coeds could climb around it and probe at its anatomy at close quarters.

Nobody exulted more in the completion of the Lion Shrine, which took almost three years,

Judicial Chooses New Members for Summer

All members of Judicial with the exception of Ruth Ernst, who is attending summer session, will be absent until fall. The following coeds have been selected to carry on during the summer semester: Allene Babbitt, Lorrene Bank, Betty Jane Drouser, Ruth Kauffman, and Cassie Osgood.

Miss Drouser will replace Ruth Ernst as chairman at the end of the six-weeks session. Regular meetings will be held as usual. Judicial will again enforce freshmen women's regulations.

than its sculptor, Heinz Warneke. Delighted with the students' interest in the statue the sculptor contended that creating work which would belong to the students of the college was a unique experience for him.

When it was time to leave the campus Mr. Warneke expressed the desire that the Nittany Lion Shrine remain a lasting symbol of the Alma Mater and that it continue to embody the indelible spirit that somehow makes all State students akin.

Tell Returning Men From Fronts About Home, Says Simpson

Relatives of war veterans were advised today not to engage in "quiz campaigns" when their fathers and sons return to the family group.

Dr. George E. Simpson, professor of sociology at the College, suggests instead that home folks encourage their kin to talk of everyday life in the community.

It is important, the sociologist said, to inform the returned servicemen of current community, political, and technological developments, and to include them in the normal activities of the family.

Relatives, he stressed, should refrain from blunt statements of appreciation or requests to "tell me all about it." Instead, Dr. Simpson suggested, veterans should be persuaded to utilize their war experiences in civilian activities.

It will be a serious mistake, the sociologist added, to thrust a "special people" status on veterans or to make them self-conscious by constant references to their war service.

New Officers Preside At First ISC Meeting

ISC opened its first meeting of the summer semester with new officers presiding. Jim Ray is president; Michael Lynch, vice-president; Nancy Coffin, secretary; and Virginia Bierne, treasurer. Robert Barefoot was appointed social chairman and Dick Lee is historian.

The new members, as announced by president Jim Ray, are Virginia Bierne, Birdie Deimel, Jack Dickstein, Elvin Frost, Steve Greene, Paul Kryston, Dick Lee, Omar Lerman, Betty Luchtemeyer, Harriet Mayes, Peter Palmer.

Maple Room Opens

Service will begin in the home economics cafeteria at noon July 12. Both the Maple Room and cafeteria will be open from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

Beginning also July 12 the Maple Room will be open for service Wednesday and Thursday nights. Service will be from 5:30 to 6:30.

Ensigns Graduate As Navy Stops Diesel Program

Certificates will be awarded Monday to the last group of naval ensigns to be graduated from the Diesel Training School at the College, officials announced today. The Navy Department at Washington has confirmed its intention to discontinue this program at Penn State.

There will be 59 in the valedictory group, bringing to 857 the total enrolled since this program was first inaugurated in January of 1941. The outgoing ensigns represent the 18th group to be trained here in the last three and one-half years.

In his letter announcing the curtailment, Lieut. Comdr. W. K. Thompson, USNR, of the Bureau of Naval Personnel told Dean Harry P. Hammond of the School of Engineering that "curtailment in the requirements and quotas to be met for diesel officers has been the basic and only cause which necessitates this drastic revision in the diesel set-up."

The letter asserted that like programs were also being discontinued at the University of California and at the General Motors Institute. "The decision," it adds, "in no way reflects upon the quality of instruction or the services offered as they have been of the highest possible calibre and fully met our expectations."

In a personal letter prior to his departure from the campus Lieut. Comdr. John H. Smith USN (ret.), then commander of the Navy V-12 and Diesel training programs, praised Dean Hammond's interest in the program and expressed the Navy's "high appreciation for the valuable and substantial contribution made to the Navy's training program through the medium of the Diesel Training School conducted in the School of Engineering."

The curriculum since its inception has been in charge of Harold A. Everett, professor of mechanical engineering, who pointed out today that only 17 of the 857 ensigns enrolled for this training had failed to meet the requirements of graduation.

Portfolio Candidates

There will be a meeting in the Portfolio office, located in the basement of Carnegie Hall at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday for all candidates interested in trying out either for the business or the editorial staffs of Portfolio, student literary magazine.

Campus News Briefs

Faithful Attendant

Heister V. White of Bloomsburg, retired miller and one-time trustee, has attended June commencement exercises at the College for 60 consecutive years.

History Repeats Itself

There were 1157 men and women in the 1939 graduating class at the College. This all-time record was duplicated exactly in 1940.

Three in 1887 Class

Smallest graduating class in the history of the College brought diplomas to three in 1887.

They Swap Learning

For 36 years a group of professors—never more than 20—have met monthly at the College to discuss papers of major interest in their respective fields. Nearly every department is represented in the organization, which is known as the "X Club."

Three-in-One

For the second time since the inauguration of the accelerated time table, three major academic programs are in session simultaneously this summer at the College.

No Time Wasted

Three "lady engineers" who already had finished their required work were on the job in a Connecticut war plant when the College granted them bachelor degrees in absentia this summer.

C'est la Guerre

A College student, seeking an excuse from classes, told the dean of men he wanted to visit his father. He explained his father was lonely since his mother had left home to join the WACs.

Named to Commission

Dr. S. W. Fletcher, dean of the School of Agriculture at the College, has been named to the 10-man postwar planning commission appointed by Governor Martin to develop a postwar employment program for Pennsylvania.

Proxy Since 1926

Dr. Ralph Dorn Hetzel has served as president of the College longer than any of his nine predecessors. He assumed office in 1926.

Still Seek Learning

Uncle Sam's doughboys are a studious lot. In the past year the College has received nearly 5,000 inquiries from overseas regarding correspondence courses.

20 States Represented

Twenty states and one foreign country were represented in the June graduating class at the College.

Taught Engineering

Admiral Kincaid's father, also a veteran of the U. S. Navy, taught mechanical engineering at the College from 1892 to 1895.

'Rudolph' Is GI

A College secretary was enthralled by the application for correspondence instruction from "Rudolph Valentino." Rudolph proved to be an Army private stationed in New Orleans.

Cater to Doughboys

The College is one of 82 colleges and universities cooperating with the U. S. Armed Forces Institute in offering college-credit correspondence courses to men and women in the armed services.

A glacier would make an exceptionally fine pet for a warm spell.



LINCOLN'S VISION

is today's reality!

STEEL RAILS connecting coast with coast! That was Abraham Lincoln's vision, realized by the Driving of the Golden Spike. This historic event, in 1869, united the first transcontinental tracks, and initiated the nation-wide delivery by Express of commercial goods and personal packages at passenger train speed.

Today, Railway Express operates on 230,000 miles of track. Over them daily, 10,000 trains speed shipments of every kind to and from 23,000 offices. Included in this nation-wide network is almost every college town in America. Generations of students first learned about Express Service when they left home for college, then grew to depend upon it during their years on the campus.

When you do have packages to send, you can help us do our war job better by aiding in three ways: Pack your shipments securely—address them clearly—start them early. Our century of experience proves that "a shipment started right is half-way there!"



Greetings Frosh !!

REA & BERICK, INC.

the store which serves the students, welcome you to State College

Step In For Your Favorite

• Coke or Sunate • Cosmetics • Cigarettes

"R&D's"

SALE

NOW GOING ON

- SPRING DRESSES
- COTTON DRESSES
- PLAY SUITS
- SUMMER BLOUSES

Charles Shop

109 South Allen