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## V-E Day Convocation

"When V-E Day comes I hope the students on this campus won't forget that a war is still being fought in the Pacific," stated one of the numerous ex-servicemen enrolled at the College. "I know I won't. I've seen too many of my buddies die fighting those damn Japs."

With numerous peace rumors filling the air, students shouldn't neglect the words of this ex-GI. Let's remember that men are dying this very moment on some barren Japanese island. It is not time for joyous parties, horn blowing, and bell ringing. Instead, let's all unite and attend the convocation services and thank God that one half of our struggle is completed.

President Hetzel said in announcing the convocation plans, "In the belief that our College community will desire to express its relief and gratitude for the closing of the great war in Europe and to acknowledge its indebtedness to those who have made the sacrifices necessary to accomplish this fact, and for the purpose of repledging our total effort and devotion to the prosecution of the vital war in the Pacific, arrangements have been made for an appropriate ceremony to which all are invited."

## New Governmental Plan

Cabinet took its first step towards the re-establishment of prewar Penn State student government this week when the offices of All-College president and secretary-treasurer were recommended for next semester.

Under the new plan the All-College president will act as chairman of Cabinet. He will also represent the student body in matters which concern all the undergraduates. The secretary-treasurer will be secretary for Cabinet and chairman of the Interclass Finance Board.

Both of the officials will be elected by the entire student body and serve for one semester. Candidates for the offices, however, must be members of the senior class and possess at least a "1" average.

This new system will permit the eighth semester president and secretary-treasurer to devote all their time to their respective semester. At the present time they perform the duties of the All-College president and secretary-treasurer.

## Rescue Swing Inn

Students clamored for a place to dance and socialize on Friday and Saturday nights approximately three months ago. As a result the Armory was opened to all students on weekends. That's how Swing Inn was born. Now let The Collegian tell you how it is dying.

Each week less and less students take advantage of Swing Inn. From 300 the number of attendants each evening has dwindled to less than 100. If more students don't begin to take an interest in the project, it would not be surprising if Swing Inn is discontinued.

So swing out at Swing Inn!

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(Editor's Note—All contributions and letters concerning The Collegian should be addressed to the Editor.)

## Penn Statements

FAY YOUNG

The current dispute as to whether WSGA's vote on All-College Cabinet should be taken away and whether the Judicial committee should be put on an equal basis with Tribunal to be appointed by Cabinet, leads one to wonder whether Penn State men are henpecked? Should the women have dual representation in student government—WSGA and All-College Cabinet?

Several former Thespians are writing a new musical comedy to be "bigger and better than ever before." After the last show they presented some students were of the opinion that instead of breaking into song, the troupe broke down into it.

Penn State gymnasts should be applauded for their persistence. Despite the College ruling discontinuing the sport for the duration, the athletes practiced day after day all winter long. Now they will be rewarded when they travel to Jersey City to compete in the National gymnastic meets this weekend. Hal Frey and Steve Greene will be defending their 1944 titles.

Walking past Old Main one morning this week, a green-dinked frosh stopped to query some hatmen, "Is the Daily Half Colyum in the Centre Daily Times really written by Air Raid Warden?" The spirit of the old College

days is being revived with a bang with house party weekends and fraternity dances, but the signing of Vincent Lopez for Interfraternity Ball, June 2, is topping the wartime social register. Get your gowns out, gals, and take the moth balls out of your tux, fellas. This is the biggest thing that's waltzed by since Winter Ball with Les Brown in '42.

There are two men in every coed's life these days—the one whose fraternity pin she has and the one who has the cigarettes.

Now that the United National Clothing Collection is over and warm weather seems to be wending its way toward State College once more, coeds have a legitimate excuse for wearing sunback dresses around campus. "I gave my blouses and skirts to the clothing drive" is the excuse offered by some of the more brazen misses.

## Old Mania

By NANCY CARASTRO

One continuous brawl out at PiKA house this weekend.... Tonite a formal dance complete with out-of-town band, soft lights, et al.... Tomorrow a pie-eating contest, treasure hunt, pirate dance.... Sunday, dinner.... Bill Hagerty and Theta Phi Baer will be there.... Fred Dietz and Kappa Helen Kime.... Alan Bentz and DG Nan Siebrecht.... Jack Platt and Arloa Betts.... Tom Reynolds and Gladys Raensch.... George Englert and KD Ellen Hamilton....

The Army will be bulging Sattidy night with sailors and dates and faculty and townspeople.... AEPHi's are also holding a dance.... I. J. Kramer and A/S Bob O'Riley.... Thelma Silber and beta sig Art Weiss.... Shirley Pincus and pi lamb from Indiana Lenny Goodman.... Jeanne Rich and phi sig Irv Monsein.... Sigma chi, Harry McMillin pinned Meg Hussay, Theta.... SDT Mae Lenchner is engaged to Sgt. Larry "Dutch" Schultz.... Nother Theta, Janet Taylor, (sister of Don "Winged Victory" Taylor) is wearing the phi kappa sig of Johnny Sadden.... Ens. Bob and Jean Green are the proud poppa and momma of a boy, named after Daddy.... Lt. Ned Giles was married recently down in Alabama....

ChiO Lois Lunn and Ens. Bob Cowen, a handsome couple, were married last week right here in town.... They'll be living in Fla. awhile.... Kappa Anne Chastaine is happy over the fact her fiance, Lt. Edward Ryan, has been liberated after being in a prison camp since last October.... AEPHi alum Ruth Goldman is engaged to Lt. Red Zelitch.... An aephi pledge, Arlene Caplan, is pinned to Jack Seitchik, beta sig....

Lots of people coming and going.... AOPi Nancy Norton going to see Midn. George Nichols in New Yawk.... Thetas Betsy Merkle, Jean Bosch and Jeannie Weaver going to Philly.... Jeannie will see Marine Pfc. Sweeney Harvey.... Came.... ChiO Patty Adams to see sister Janet.... TPA alum Lt. Mary Sheehy, now an Army dietitian.... Seaman Mike Cook to see ChiO Kay Badollet.... Frankie Knight here for the weekend with her guy Lt. Jimmy Fitzhough, on furlough after serving with the Naval Air Corps in the Pacific.... SDT alum Evie Sherman.... Lt. Herby Kibel, USNR, to see aephi Audrey Kreiger.... Phi ep Stan Wickler.... Gene Cavanaugh, sigma pi....

Fiftt: Phi kap Lenny Scalise and Lorrie Lewis.... Kappa Charlie Martin and DU Bud Simpler.... MANIAC

## Faculty Limelight

By WOODENE BELL

(Philip Mannino, film technician in the Audio-Visual Aids library, has been named co-editor of a new department, "The ABC's of Visual Equipment" in the magazine "Educational Screen." An article by Mr. Mannino appeared in the April issue.

Nazism is not a wholly new philosophy but has its roots in the early 19th century Germany, according to Dr. Ray Dotterer, head of the philosophy department....

Because of the early spring this year, Dr. E. I. Wilde, professor of ornamental horticulture, believes that flower growers face a "topsy-turvy" blooming season.... Amos E. Neyhart, administrative head of the Institute of Public Safety, says that after the war a "catching-up process" will be needed in driver training for all the young people who could not learn to drive during the war for lack of gasoline.

William Ullery, member of the extension staff of the department of architecture, is instructing courses in "Building or Buying a Home" in Wilkes-Barre and Scranton.... Recommendations for improvement in portable electric farm elevators are made by Prof. R. U. Blasingame, head of

the department of agricultural engineering, in a symposium prepared by the Rural Electrification Administration.

Theodore Roetke, on leave of absence as professor of English composition, and now teaching at Pennington College, has been awarded a fellowship by the Guggenheim Foundation for his creative work in poetry.

Raymond Hess, former instructor of mechanical engineering now in the Army, visited on campus last weekend.... Dr. Joseph F. Ritenour, director of the College Health Service attended a meeting of the council of the Student Health Association at the University of Minnesota this week.

## A Lean And Hungry Look

No one has greater respect for the traditions of Penn State than I do. That is why I am going to do my best to ridicule and run down in a nasty way a portion of this tradition.

One of the finest parts of the living legend that is Penn State is the collection of college songs and cheers, some extolling the Alma Mater, others urging it on to greater heights in athletic contests. This is why an unbelievable parody of a cheer called the "College" Yell has no place among these expressions of school spirit.

The first time I heard this insult to human mouth and mind, I thought the strain had proved too much for the cheerleaders and that they had gone beserk. But later I learned the "College" Yell was officially recognized and published in the freshman bible. In order that we may all savor the pure prose of this immortal masterpiece it is herein reprinted.

SSS! Boom! Ah! Coo! Penn State!

Yell! Yell! Yell! Again!

We're from the land of William Penn!

State! State! State!

Whiskum! Biskum!

Hold 'em! Pennsy State!

Team! Team! Team!

Ah! Coo! lads and lassies. Bet you can't tell me what the devil a Whiskum! Biskum! is. And did you know that you go to Pennsy State? Watch the cheerleaders some day. They are a thoroughly callous lot, inured to standing in front of large, boisterous crowds. But when the time comes for a "College Yell they smile self-consciously as if to say, "Can this be me shouting this stupid doggerel before all these people?"

Speaking of things vaguely connected with athletic contests, Penn State played host to Navy at a lacrosse game last Saturday. The huge throng of almost 150 students turned out to support the team. This undoubtedly served to inspire the players and show them that their fellow students appreciated their efforts. It would be nice to be able to say that the State players won in spite of this. They were murdered, 20-0.

I don't know much about lacrosse. It seemed as if the game was played by ten men on each side, armed with clubs. The object of the game was to flail the opposition into unconsciousness and then casually flip the ball into the goal. The Navy goaltender got so lonely standing out there all alone that he had to be replaced.

The afternoon was not a total loss, however. Hopelessly outclassed, battered, and 20 points behind, Penn State was still trying at the closing gun, trying, by guts alone to avoid a shut-out. And there were 150 students interested enough to come out and cheer them on. —CASSIUS

## Front and Center

The 1944 editor of La Vie, Harry C. Coleman, has been reported killed in action, April 6. Lieutenant Coleman was graduated from Fort Benning, Ga., in February and was sent to England. From England his division proceeded thru Le Havre, France.

Lieutenant Coleman was attached to the 9th Army, whose job it was to seal and start dissolution of the Ruhr pocket. His division assisted in the drive and capture of Duisburg and Dortmund.

Lt. (jg) Jack Kiernan '43 was killed in action somewhere in the Pacific. A part of the Navy Air Corps, Jack had just recently been commissioned.

The Distinguished Service Cross, one of the army's highest honors has been awarded to Lt. Roy Hanna '39, former intercollegiate lightweight boxing champion and 1939 captain of the boxing team. Hanna was part of the 82nd Airborne Infantry Division. He was seriously wounded at Anzio and took part in the invasion of France and in the airborne invasion of Holland, Belgium, and Germany. Hanna is now home on 30 day leave.

Capt. Woodrow W. Bierly '38 wears the bronze star for meritorious service in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany, while serving with the 6th Armored division. "Woody" Bierly was a Collegian staff member and editor of the Student Handbook in 1938.

Second Lt. David J. Mather, a member of the 373rd Fighter-Bomber group, helped in a successful move to force 125 Nazi troops to surrender. The task force, in cooperation with American tanks drove the Nazi troops into American hands. The group bagged 233 planes in the greatest five-day "duck hunt." —Peggy Weaver