

Navy V-12 News

The debunking of scuttlebutt last week seems to have set more wild rumors afloat. In answer to these rumors we have the following information released by Commander Wisner himself. The complement of the unit next semester will be about 300 men, and to handle this number the officer staff here will be increased probably to eight or ten men. Since NROTC units are customarily commanded by captains USN rather than reserve officers, we can expect a new skipper sometime this fall, a professor of naval science and tactics.

Ordnance and Planning

In keeping with these changes is the fact that a new ROTC building is being planned, a building combining the army and navy units and more strictly integrating the military training facilities on campus. Meanwhile the sailors will be using the Armory at least part time next fall. Ordnance has been ordered, varying in size from Colt automatics to five-inch dual purpose guns. The navy boys really have something to look forward to.

From the Bridge
Lt. Jones, who has spent the last ten days at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital, is under observation for possible stomach ulcers. . . . In a far happier vein we hear that Lieutenant Lawler took the fatal step last Saturday and is now married to "the prettiest girl in the world," as he phrases it. After a weekend honeymoon his Philadelphia bride and he are making their home here in State College.

Visitors
Visiting over the weekend were Les Szepesi, Red Welch, and Max Hannum. . . . Les, now a second class yeoman, is heading for Shoemaker, California, where he will probably be assigned to a ship. . . . Red, now a firecontrolman second class, hopefully anticipates advanced fire-control school. . . . Max is off for pre-flight at Chapel Hill where he, Archie Craft, Willie Powell, Dana Belser, and Ben Adelstein will swell the Cloud-lusters' football squad and at the same time advance toward their

Dr. Charles E. Martz To Lecture Today

Dr. Charles E. Martz, a member of the Junior Town Meeting League, will lecture in 201 Zoology at 11 a.m. today. His subject has not been announced. Dr. Martz is on leave of absence from the Western Reserve University, where he is head of the history department, in order to serve on the Junior Town Meeting League in Columbus, O. He is the editor of "Our Times," a weekly newspaper for senior high school, is the president of the Columbia Torch Club, and is chairman of the Columbus Foreign Policy Association. A Phi Beta Kappa and a Sigma Xi member, Dr. Martz received his B.A. and M.A. from Yale University and did his graduate work at Yale, Harvard, and the University of Pennsylvania. From 1919 to 1922 he was head of the history department of Westchester State Teachers College. In 1922 he took his present position with Western Reserve University.

20 Students Win Places On Ag School Dean's List

Twenty students in the School of Agriculture made an average of 2.5 or better during the spring semester announced Dean Stevenson W. Fletcher. They are:
Seniors: Charles Lundmark Blystone, Shirley Pearl Boscov, Marcella H. B. Chervenak, Julius Fabricant, Nancy Claire Geisse, Maurice Ernst Lehman, Lois Baker McCool and Solomon Segal.
Juniors: Isabel Laura Myers and William Thomas West.
Sophomores: Mary Eldrid Anderson, Carolyn Yvonne Graham, D. Elizabeth Nix and Mary Louise Waygood.
Freshmen: Mary Jane Gately, Catherine Craig Raup, Vernon Telford Smith, Sara Estella Stevens and Bertha Frany Woodring.
Two-year agriculture: Frederick W. Ernst.

Men Get 24,502 Degrees
Of the 30, 586 degrees awarded by the College since 1855, 24,502 have gone to male students. Until the present war men graduates traditionally outnumbered women, four to one.

Air Corps commissions. Spotlight Trainee

Veteran of the Week is Johnny Livingston of Barracks 36, a former civilian college student who finished his third semester at Penn State before he left for the Navy. Johnny has served more than 29 months now, 20 of them as a second class boatswain's mate aboard a minesweeper in the Pacific. His ship was the first Allied craft in the Marshall Islands, entering the Kwajalein Atoll at Roi-Namur. At the Eniwetok Atoll invasion Johnny found that the small ships run their share of danger, too. As the sweeper entered the lagoon there, a mine exploded, carrying off all the minesweeping gear and roughing up the crew pretty badly. Now after taking a refresher course at Princeton, Johnny, a Pittsburgh boy, is back on campus, this time with a different end in view.

Customs Violations Draw Sentences From Judge Healey

Judge Judd Healy and the seven associate justices of Tribunal handed down the following decrees to the ten most erring freshmen of the week.
Jules Steinberg will continue to wear a sandwich sign and water the willow tree on the mall, because he failed to button to it and showed a lack of knowledge of the campus.
C. C. Truver and Dick D'Ardenne will rise bright and early on Sunday morning to clean the debris and aftermath of Saturday evening from the malls and senior walk. F. E. Selbst, a second offender, will clean the first floor lounge of Old Main, after he was found guilty of dating.
K. G. Budinger who appeared before Tribunal without a frosh bible, was sentenced to carry his bible in a large suitcase and carry a sandwich sign advertising the new Players show. Jim Veign who forgot his customs on Saturday night will also help with the advance publicity for the new show.
Because he was found guilty of shirking custom, Herald Fahringer will carry about campus, a board painted to resemble a match.
M. Liebmann, who appeared before Tribunal last week, was found guilty again and received an extended sentence for another week.
After a short quiz on the College songs and campus traditions it was decided that A. Gugoff should carry a sandwich sign with the message, "I'm a Brain Child," as a final ironic touch.
Alex Oshirak failed to prove that he had a knowledge of the campus buildings and traditions and as a consequence he will hand out copies of the constitution to freshmen as he wears a sign reminding all frosh to read the student constitution.
The following were acquitted: J. E. Fair, E. F. Askew, W. D. Rice, and William Zelenka. Frank Evans was exempted from customs after proving that he went through customs at Lehigh.
All freshmen men will meet on the steps of Old Main at 1 p. m. on Monday. It is important that everyone be there.
Violators must report to the Main Gate daily at 1 p. m. Monday through Thursday.

Book Review

'Hunky Johnny'

Dr. "Eddie" J. Nichols' new novel, "Hunky Johnny," is a fast-moving, tough story of a young Slovak-American in love. Dr. Nichols is a professor of English Composition at the College.

Johnny, the main character, is a product of the mill town of Gary, plus four years at the University of Chicago. He lives in two worlds; never quite able to escape from the ways of Hunkydome to the world of books and coeds. Shall he rest content with his Slovak girl-friend, Mary Korba, or can he rise to equality with the tart coolness of coed Jean Howland?

Three things bother Johnny and constitute the plot of the novel. He's crazy about girls. He has an inferiority complex about "white" persons whom he meets at the university. And he's just a little concerned about a job after graduating into the depression of 1930.

Along with this case of adolescent jitters, the reader encounters an even more interesting variety of secondary characters. Johnny's father, still completely enveloped in the language and ways of his homeland; sister Emma beset by husband-trouble and family interference; and brother Mike, a rising gangster—these provide the meat of the book. There are glimpses of gangster life around Chicago, a few superficial campus scenes, and good bits of baseball games and dances in Gary.

If there are any "gentle readers" left after 20 years of Ernest Hemingway, it may be necessary to warn them that these characters are not such as you'd like to entertain in your parlor. Dr. Nichols writes of the region of Farrell's "Studs Lonergan" in the style of John O'Hara.

Much of the 246 pages consists of conversation faithfully and frankly handled. Many brief descriptive touches get a smile of recognition from the reader—the way people sit sideways in big chairs with their legs over the chair's arms, the kick of an auto when the starter catches, the way people handle cigarettes and liquor.

Technically this novel is a great improvement over the author's first tale, "Danger! Look Out." That one "had an oil refinery as its hero" and enjoyed only a limited sale since oil refineries, however well-built, still seem to lack sex appeal. The current novel, though less ambitious, is less cluttered with technical descriptions.

Dr. Nichols' literary career began with an article on a poem of Lowell in "American Magazine" back in 1932. Then came several articles on jazz in magazines and a sketch of Bix Beiderbecke in a book on jazzmen. His doctoral dissertation in the department of English literature was a historical dictionary of baseball terms, compiled with the assistance of such prominent sports figures as Bill Brandt and Honus Wagner.

With this novel Dr. Nichols sheds completely the dullness and didacticism of scholarship. His baseball lore and his knowledge of jazz appear usefully but unobtrusively. He makes his debut as a competent novelist whose characters achieve a natural and memorable existence.

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Doctorate degrees have represented about one-seventh of the 30,586 degrees awarded by the College since its founding in 1855.

Calendar

TODAY

Frosh Frolic, Armory, 7:30-10 p.m.

Summer Session Lecture, Dr. Charles E. Martz, Junior Town Meeting of the Air, 201 Zoology, 11 a.m.

TOMORROW

Summer Session, "Hallzapoppin'" and "Fun Night," Recreation Hall, 9 p.m.

Summer Skip, Armory, 8:30 to 12 p.m.

SUNDAY

Chapel, Dr. Flory, Professor of English, Washington and Jefferson, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a.m.

Summer Session Supper Hike, Mountain Lodge.

At-Home Tea, Hillcrest House, 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Newman Club initiation, Phi Kappa house, 2 p.m.

Nittany Freshman rally, 405 Old Main, 4:30 p.m.

MONDAY

IWA meeting, 401 Old Main, 7 p.m.

Engineer meeting, Armory, 7 p.m.

Collegian Advertising Candidates, 8 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

"China and Central American Relations," Dora Hwa Kang, 121 Sparks, 8 p.m.

First Semester Collegian candidates, 8 Carnegie, 7 p.m.

Second Semester Collegian candidates, reporters, sports assistants, 8 Carnegie, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Common Sense meeting, 10 Sparks, 6:45 p.m.

Newman Club Discussion Club, Rectory, Lady of Victory Church, 7 p.m.

Red Cross meeting, 121 Sparks, 7:30 p.m.

Home Economics Lecture, Prof. Ina Padgett, 110 Home Economics, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

IMA meeting, 401 Old Main, 7 p.m.

ASTP's Play Trick

On Barracks Leader

The Barracks 4 leader is still trying to find the ASTPs who recently caused the "explosions" in the barracks.

Practical jokers discovered in the chemistry laboratory a compound called nitrogen tri-iodide which is perfectly harmless when slightly damp or wet. But when the powder becomes dry, even a touch as light as a feather will cause it to explode. Imagine the confusion it caused when it was placed on the doors and floors right before the barracks' leader made his rounds.

Chapel

Dr. Flory Speaks

"Earth As It Is In Heaven" will be the subject of Dr. Claude R. Flory's sermon at chapel services in Schwab Auditorium at 11 a. m. Sunday. Dr. Flory is a member of the Department of English Language and Literature at Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa.

A native of Nokesville, Va., he received his B. A. at Juniata College, his M. A. and Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania, and has studied at Oxford University, England.

In 1939 Dr. Flory visited many European countries. He has been professor of English Literature at Washington and Jefferson College since the fall of 1939.

Dr. Flory is a member of the College English Association, the Modern Language Association, Tau Kappa Alpha, and the Rotary Club. He is the author of "Economic Criticism in American Fiction" and is a contributor to professional bulletins and to the Rotarian.

Veterans' Staff Plans

August Conferences

Three conferences for staff members of the Veterans Administration from western Pennsylvania and five surrounding areas will be held at the College during August, it was announced today by Hugh G. Pyle, supervisor of informal instruction at the College.

The meetings, designed to train Veterans Administration personnel in the methods and techniques of counseling veterans, will be conducted by specialists from the Administration in cooperation with the College's department of education and psychology.

Two of the conferences will be 11-day sessions and each will be attended by approximately 50 vocational advisers, vocational appraisers, training officers, and vocational advisement supervisors. These will be held from August 2 to 14 and August 16 to 28.

The third session will be a two-day meeting, August 29 and 30, and will be attended by approximately 25 regional office managers.

Staff members will be present from the following areas: western Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia. Arrangements are being made through the College extension services.

Summer Showing

- AMERICAN
- ARTISTS'
- GROUP

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