

## Coed Recalls Experiences In Canadian Women's Army

Because she wanted to get in the fight and didn't want to wait until she was twenty, Ruth M. Auchenbach of Reading joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps at the age of 18.

Ruth, now a fourth semester student at the College, enlisted in June, 1943, and took four weeks of basic training at Kitchener, Ontario. At the end of this period, she was one of 16 women chosen to take a three month course in Army Administration and was promoted to the rank of corporal.

On completion of this further training, Corporal Auchenbach was posted in Quebec City, where she was a shipping clerk at the Army Ordnance Depot. From here, she was transferred to Ottawa, in December, 1943, where she trained in night vision testing. This qualified Ruth to test men for eligibility for the commandos. She continued this work in London, Ontario, for two months.

When asked about the Canadian people, Ruth stated that they were very much like Americans except that they were more serious.

"One difference is that Americans believe in 'hail fellow, well met,' while the Canadians are not so impulsive. Once they accept you, they intend to be friends for life," explained the ex-corporal.

Ruth, who received a medical discharge in March, 1944, said that she considered her life in the Army as a wonderful experience and liked her basic training best, even though she did have to do KIP. Many American girls apparently felt the same way as she did, because Ruth said that 63 women in the barracks in London were from the States.

Thinking back on her experiences, Ruth recalled the time she interviewed Mary Churchill, daughter of the ex-Prime Minister of England, and was amazed as to how "unroyal" she was. She also stated that she just missed the Roosevelt-Churchill conference in Quebec.

## Winners Announced In Advertising Contest

Phyllis H. Wolfgang, senior journalism major, has been awarded first prize in the fifth annual contest conducted by the Interstate Advertising Managers' Association for students of advertising at the College.

Second award went to Claire S. Harvey; third to Agnes M. Coleman; and fourth, to Shirley R. Wenger. Jeanne Thompson and Kathryn L. Fix were awarded honorable mention certificates.

Entries in the contest, winners of which were announced at the IAMA convention in Harrisburg Saturday, consisted of originally prepared presentations of advertising copy, layouts, and plans. Judges were Lou Schenk, advertising manager of the Lancaster Newspapers; George Stewart, advertising manager of the Washington (Pa.) Observer and Reporter; and David Knipe, advertising manager of the Bethlehem Globe-Times.

A population study of age groups conducted by Dr. Walter Coutu, associate professor of sociology at the College, shows that persons under 20 years of age are growing fewer in numbers while the age group from 45 to 65 and over is steadily increasing in numbers.

"One thing I got a kick out of was the way the French-Canadians pronounced my name. One person even called me Corporal 'Aching-back.'"

Although she is entitled, under the Canadian equivalent to our G. I. Bill of Rights, to finish her education in Canada, Ruth started here in June, 1944, and is majoring in speech.

## We The Women

Washington has assured the people of the United States that there will be no bread lines as an aftermath of World War II similar to the ones which appeared shortly after the close of the first world conflict.

Looking at the mobs outside of the Atherton Dining Commons just before the doors are opened, one would gather that many coeds are under the impression that a food shortage already exists. As early as one-half hour before the dinner or 15 to 20 minutes before lunch, coeds can be scampering down the second floor halls to be one of the first in the meal line.

The early-birds come armed with letters, books, magazines, newspapers, and even classwork in order to make use of these few precious moments. It is not an uncommon sight to spot three or four bridge games being played on the hall floors.

Just before the doors open there is a second dash up the stairs and down the halls as seven students rush to join each early-comer. Coeds in the center of the line naturally are peeved as they see themselves being pushed from 8th to about 65th in line. Some of the last-minuters who don't spot any of their close friends near the head of the line, bolt into a frontal position simply by pushing and shoving those already in line.

This mobbing at the beginning of the meal hours slows up the entrance of the line leaders and deducts several minutes from the time reserved for serving. Also, observations have shown that the participants in the meal-time bottleneck usually spend longer in the process of getting their food than do the late-comers. Many coeds have found that by waiting until the initial rush is over and by going up near the end of the lunch hour they can make their 1 o'clocks with less effort than do those in a rush to enter the dining-room.

In the past, hostesses and other officials have found it necessary to plant proctors whose duties were to keep coeds from bolting the lines and to keep them assembled in a single file. Senate of Women's Student Government Association has been approached with this meal-time bottleneck problem, and it believes that the coeds themselves can remedy the situation simply by staggering their times of going to meals.

Members of Senate point out that if each coed would try attending meals at different points in the serving hour, she would soon find the time at which the serving conditions were most convenient to her. Senators also warn that if line-bolting and mobbing don't soon slacken, the proctor system may have to be restored.

## New Frozen Food Promises Dinner In Three Minutes

Recent experiments with frozen food indicate that you may not have to wait more than three minutes for a complete meal in a restaurant, according to John E. Nicholas, professor of agricultural engineering.

In his laboratory Professor Nicholas prepares complete frozen meals which are ready to be heated for use. Attractively arranged in individual servings on trays and encased in cellophane to prevent drying, the meal may consist of green beans, hamburger, carrots, tomatoes, and pie for dessert, but if you prefer, you may have frozen tomato juice.

"It appears that in many instances the provision of complete menus are met with public favor because of choices of specialties regardless of season," declared Professor Nicholas.

Conducting experiments with tomatoes, he prepared for use three types, quarters, slices, and whole. These were wrapped in cellophane and frozen at 0 degrees Fahrenheit. Some were ice-coated as an additional assurance against dehydration and consequently as a preservation of quality in storage.

A whole tomato when taken out will thaw within an hour to a temperature when it can be very easily sliced for salad, Professor Nicholas said. The tomato at this time still has sufficient amount of cold to maintain the salad in a reasonably crisp and cool condition.

Janet Soisson, home economist for the West Penn Power Company, has enrolled as a special student to study frozen foods and baby foods, Professor Nicholas pointed out. He also added that investigation on freezing foods, especially tomatoes, is now in progress and much remains to be learned.

"The program of study of the quality of frozen food will be elaborated wherein all the measurable factors which are used to define food quality will be measured," Professor Nicholas stated. "These factors include enzymes, vitamins, and color," he concluded.

## Common Sense Conducts Employment Bill Debate

A debate on the Murray Full Employment Bill was conducted at the Common Sense meeting on Tuesday night. Thorlef Joester argued the con and Theodore Harwitz argued the pro side. After the debate, the audience participated in the questioning of the speakers.

The next meeting of the organization will be held in the Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, at 7 p.m. September 25. All members are requested to attend.

The 1945 season will mark the 59th consecutive year of football at Penn State.

## 3 Marriage Courses Here; U. of C. Offers Only One

A course in marriage problems at the University of California, Berkeley, was considered unusual enough to rate a feature story in a recent issue of Collier's magazine, but Penn State students have their choice of three courses on that subject.

The home economics department offers a course in marriage adjustment to its students, and so does the sociology department, but the class most closely parallel to the California University's is Dr. Clifford R. Adams' Psychology 416.

The course described in the Collier's magazine by Dean Jennings sounds very similar to Psychology 416, except that the California students, by their own choice, receive no credit for it, while the course here gives a student three credits in psychology.

However, Jennings' description of the casual way Dr. Noel Keys discusses sexual problems with his students without causing giggling or embarrassment might be a story of the intelligent approach of Dr. Adams and his students to such questions.

Dr. Keys at California is also deluged with personal conferences with students, singly and in couples,

as is Penn State's marriage professor. In addition Dr. Adams has had a number of magazine articles published and reprinted in digests, and has a monthly magazine column of marriage advice.

At both colleges, marriage courses were inaugurated in order to attempt to reduce this country's divorce rate and to serve as an antidote for the many unfounded ideas concerning sex which many students have. The courses have proved intensely popular, and Dr. Adams never has to use penalties or threats to prevent overcutting.

The Collier's article describes how a number of parents of Dr. Keys' students have expressed appreciation for the course, and wished they had had its benefits. Dr. Adams encourages his students to bring visiting parents to his class, and is interested in learning their opinion of it.

Though not as well-known, the other marriage courses at the College also give valuable aid to confused students, and the three courses put Penn State into the foreground in the modern psychological approach to marriage problems.

## With The AST

For scholastic excellence achieved during the past term on an honor status defined by the College and having maintained an excellent standard of conduct, and military efficiency, the following students in the ASTP are awarded the Blue Star Insignia:

E-1, Term 3: Auer, John H.; Brzezinski, Julius J.; Diffenderfer, Walt; Forsythe, Alan K.; Herman, Robert L.; Jacobson, John D.; Lannert, James W.; Lewis, Albert E.; Lohman, Joseph C.; Lowe, James R.; Toppmeyer, Robert.

EE, Term 6: Greenstein, Eli; Horgan, James F.; Isenberg, Irvin; Lowenthal, Daniel K.; Warfield, John N.

CE, Term 4: Burns, Joseph I.; March, Jack J.

CE, Term 5: Defore, Jesse J.; Fuller, John E.; Vandevort, Gordon L.

EE, Term 4: Avallone, Anthony F.; Tolley, George S.; Shaffer, Aaron.

These awards will be presented to these men at the Retreat Parade, Tuesday, by the Commanding Officer.

**Barracks Vacated**  
Last Sunday an eager group of men, mostly from Barracks 7, worked diligently in removing all government property from Barracks 5, 8, and 30, which are no longer needed because of the decrease in the size of unit, to 237 men. The barracks after having

been cleared were returned to college authorities, who will make inventories and necessary repairs. It is expected that these houses, Alpha Kappa Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, and Phi Kappa Tau, will be in fraternity hands by September 30.

**Here and There**

CE-5 Nevio J. Maggiora has been doing a lot of traveling between New York and Texas. Because of circumstances beyond his control, he has made four round trips in as many months. The allotted seven days for furlough had rounded into about ten for some, before the entire brood returned to roost.

Speaking of furloughs, several events are worth noting:

Tom Kernan, EE-4, made the trip down the aisle with Doris Manion of his hometown, Youngstown, O. The couple had a three day trip, spent in Columbus, O.

"Big-Ed" Johnson, ME-4, has asked May Cahill to be his. Both are from Troy, N. Y.

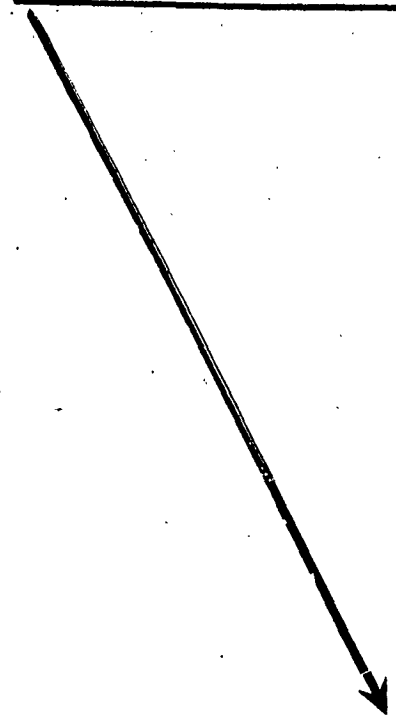
Lopatin, Barracks 17, also became engaged. His to be, is, Anita Stewart of Pittsburgh, now attending Carnegie Tech.

Dick Bradley, the "St. Louis Traveler," came back with marks of a disagreement with an automobile. Strange that the five other passengers should escape!

The unit will go into O. D.'s September 30.

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