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Book Business

One of the growing underground mumbblings of the student body has been the demand for a cooperative college book exchange. After several semesters of talking about it, All-College Cabinet appointed a committee at the beginning of the semester to advance plans for such an exchange.

After two months of investigations, the committee has reported the arising of the following difficulties: lack of financial support from the College, lack of student labor, lack of a method to set prices, and inability to set wages because of the uncertainty of profits.

If the first problem could be solved, it seems evident that the others would work out themselves. All-College Cabinet brought pressure to achieve the renewal of Dry Dock after strong demands from the students and if it expresses similar demands, College support for a book exchange might be received. Once the store is underwritten, temporary prices and wages can be set up until profits are determined. As soon as the exchange is securely established, permanent wages can be announced and student labor demands will in all probability be answered abundantly.

The establishment of a cooperative exchange would provide the students with an economical and convenient book store as well as a student enterprise. It has been one of the things you as a group have desired. Now that Cabinet and the Committee are doing their best, the students are asked to help resolve the problems. Any suggestions to aid in an early establishment of the exchange should be left at Student Union.

Coeds or Veterans?

Since the Army has released some more of the fraternity houses, the College has been tempting alumni and brothers with generous offers of money for rent. The administration wants to lease these fraternities so that they will be able to house more freshman women.

Everyone is aware of the serious problem that the College faces in trying to house students. Coed's dormitories are booked full with upperclassmen, forcing freshmen and transfers to live "off campus." It is not hard to see why the College is so anxious to obtain the use of the fraternity houses, but is it fair?

When the draft came along and emptied the fraternities the College in many cases undoubtedly saved them from bankruptcy. At that time the brothers were glad to surrender their houses. But now it is a different story.

More ex-GIs and freshman men will be entering the College next semester. If fraternities are to play the part in college life that they did before Pearl Harbor, they cannot afford to idle away two more semesters.

By taking possession of their houses now, fraternities can fill their houses with these men and help to alleviate the trouble that veterans—even unmarried ones—are having in locating rooms.

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

Penn Statements

Under the headline, "Colleges Ready for GI Joe, But What About His Wife?" The Pittsburgh Press ran a feature Sunday announcing the problem discussed several weeks previously by a Collegian editorial. The problem is finding housing suitable conditions for the 25 per cent of the veterans who will return to campus married.

Dick Berge, Michael Fedak, Ira Hertzog, and Jess Panar of the X-G-I Club were pictured making a survey of possible living quarters for Mr. and Mrs. Veteran. Rachel Kirk, who wrote the story, revealed that "21 married veterans who applied for admission at Penn State did not appear to register after R. E. Galbraith, faculty counselor, regretfully gave them the sad news on the housing situation."

Blue Book Woes—

Tales of Dean Whitmore's Phys Sci class are legend. Maybe it was just a means of torturing the class that Whitmore devised when he hurried in nine minutes after class was supposed to begin and flippantly announced a bluebook for the following class meeting. Gloom spread over the students like syrup over pancakes for the remainder of the period. But just as the students were escaping from the nearest exits the silver lining came through. The Dean had changed his mind. No bluebook next week.

Sugar Daddy—

Atherton Hall lounges are a

retreat for couples come Saturday night. To an innocent bystander on such occasions all sorts of scenes from the drama of human life are portrayed. One such person was touched recently when she saw a rather middle-aged man call for a sweet young thing. She smiled to herself and thought that there was an ideal father-daughter relationship. Then the couple swept past her and she could hear the coed exclaiming, "I prefer the more mature type."

Making History—

Louise "Pete" Ritter, a seventh semester coed, is quite proud of her father. He's Navy man now and was one of those present on the Missouri when the peace was signed in Tokio harbor. "Pete" is naturally very anxious to hear all the details first hand—soon.

With our last weekends at Penn State passing by at a rapid rate, we look forward to alumni homecoming more and more. A Players' performance, Colgate football game, and the ISC dance should make it a memorable one.

Old Mania

Rushed to Maniac hot from the wire is the news that Kappa alum Helen Schmelz Leyden and Beta alum Jimmy Leyden are now the proud parents of Jimmy Leyden, Jr.

And who says June is the month of weddings? . . . Shirley Detwiler and Pfc. Melvin Snyder, just back from overseas, took the vows last weekend as did alum Bebe Gorman . . . AOPi Ruthie Clyde will become Mrs. Phil Ash tomorrow.

Wes Nyborg and Beth Woolsey, alums, middle-aisled it recently . . . Lois McCool was married to Ben Clouser . . . and Gracie Gray, a town alum, and a former Penn State air cadet took the step as did Theta Sis Crooks and a home town lad.

JEWELRY DEPT

Sandy Winning returned from a week at home wearing a sparkler from Sgt. Tommy Duff, hometown lad . . . Marquain Hartman is now sporting Sailor Jim Betcone's jewelry on her left hand . . . Phi Psi Hank Bennett and Catherine Jones are bound by the well-known fraternity pin . . . so are V-12er Dick Light and AChiO Lynn Fiestel.

ON DECK—

The sailors went all out for an entertaining weekend with two barracks parties that have been

reported as gala affairs . . . Phi Psi Bill Nugent was there with AOPi pledge Mary Lawther . . . Joan Berchtold with Salty Richmond . . . Marilyn Meiser was escorted by Karel Yedlicka . . . Margie Stout with Frank Kelley . . . Mana Sinclair with Fran Heller.

Others on deck were Terry Hague and Bill Bissell . . . ChiO JoAnne Beaver and Sigma Chi Jim Cutter . . . Jean Nichols and Johnny Livingston . . . Shirley Welshans and Phil Bockley . . . Jean Diehl and boxer Joe Bondi . . . and gobs of others.

OFF WE GO—

Phi Mu Peg Jennings journeyed home to see Jack Eberle, recently discharged from the air corps . . . Bob Hepburn was in town for the weekend . . . S1/c Jay Goldstein, former Nittany trackster, was seeing Teenie Barrett . . . Sally Duffy treked in . . . ChiO Barb Smith was visiting Bill Renton . . . Beta grad student Steve Herbert left for the army this week.

Freddie France imported AOPi Mickey Hoffman for the SPE formal . . . Don Ellis came back to take Kappa Lois Cleaver . . . and Tom Hutchinson was up to escort AChiO Katie Powell to Club Sig Ep.

—Maniac.

Faculty Limelight

Dean Frank C. Whitmore of the School of Chemistry and Physics, will be pictured in full color on the front of "Everybody's Weekly" in the Philadelphia Inquirer September 30. Dean Whitmore, winner of the Gibbs medal for outstanding service in the field of chemistry, will write a by-lined article on creating plenty for mankind for that issue.

Dean Carl P. Schott of the School of Physical Education; Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics; and Coach Bob Higgins, attended a meeting of coaches and graduate managers in Philadelphia last weekend . . . Col. Edward Taliaferro, ASTP commandant, has returned from Fort Benning, Ga., where he took a special refresher course.

Makes Coal Awards

Dean Edward Steidle of the Mineral Industries School was one of five judges in the "Coal For Victory" awards made by Coal Age magazine to mines and collieries for outstanding records of war production. The judges were chosen for prominence in the field of mineral industries . . . Louis H. Bell, director of the Department of Public Information, addressed a district meeting of the Pennsyl-

vania War Fund at Clearfield Tuesday night on "The Value of Publicity in a Successful Campaign." He is director of publicity in the War Fund Area A, which is comprised of seven central Pennsylvania counties.

Addresses Kiwanis

Julius Kauffuss, professor of highway engineering, will address the State College Rotary Club Tuesday evening on "The Third I in Kiwanis." He has given this talk before service clubs throughout the state . . . Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock, who will go on vacation in October, has turned over his "Daily Half Cylum" in The Centre Daily Times to 12 guest columnists for the month.

Campuser

So you think it's fun to put out a college news paper?

So you think it's glamorous and exciting, with something happening every minute?

Well, you're wrong. Working on a paper can become just as routine as filing or doing secretarial work or washing dishes three times a day. If you don't believe, here's proof.

The first issue of Collegian each semester is a freshman issue. It contains greetings to new students from the President of the College and the deans of men and women. It also contains features of campus activities—innumerable features that the Collegian staff hopes will help to orientate freshmen so that they won't feel too much like foreigners when they hear upperclassmen talk glibly about Players, hat societies, WRA, or what have you.

That frosh issue is the only one that's really stock, but after that's out there are stock stories that the staff can always depend on. There are the Players' shows that rate a story almost every week of the semester, and believe me, the writer has plenty of trouble thinking up new angles to write them on so that the readers won't get bored.

Then there's the IFC dance sometime during the semester that rates three or four weeks of publicity. There are also all the other dances sponsored by all the other activities—ISC, WRA's sweetheart dance, Panhel.

About three weeks after the semester begins, fraternities hand their pledge lists in, and they always get a couple columns on front page. After the lists are printed, some of the frats will call in to tell the staff that their members weren't in, and would they please make an addition? The sorority pledges also rate a news article, though they are all usually taken care of in the first story.

On page two of each week's paper, appears a chapel story and a placement story, both under the standard heads of Chapel and Placement. When the staff tries to change the heads, readers begin to complain that they don't know where to look for the stories.

Page four is the women's page, where all the news that's of primary interest to the coeds on campus is printed. Page six is the sports page, and page eight is the editorial page. All three of them are the pages that readers can skip if they're not interested in special types of stories. But the staff goes under the illusion that every student on campus faithfully reads the paper from front to back, never missing a line.

So now you know. There are as many rules and regulations in putting out a paper as there are in anything else. But somehow, it's still more fun to do than anything else. —CAMPY

Front and Center

On the receiving end when radio flashed word of Japan's surrender to the S. S. Fairland in the southwest Pacific was Opl. Leo Noble, Penn State prewar football star. . . Radioman 1/c Robert Goodrich keeps his pitching arm in shape on the deck of an Essex class carrier. . . Second Lt. Jack Tighe, former State boxer is in the Pacific.

Promotions

Recently promoted alumni include: Lt. Col. Philip R. Tarr '32, Maj. George H. Berryman '36, Capt. Irvin J. Belasco '38, Capt. Charles E. Bode '31, Capt. Ernest C. Wright '42, Capt. Byron W. Fraser '32, Capt. Mortimer H. Menaker '41, Capt. Harry L. Lee '32, Lt. G. Harry Lewis '36, Lt. (jg) Francis A. Baldauski '42, Lt. G. Rex Green '36, Lt. (jg) Henry Keller '43, Capt. Joseph Aleksa '37, Maj. James H. Olewine Jr. '40, Capt. John Metzger '39, Lt. James Hellewell, and T/Sgt. Fred W. Johnson.

Commissions

Commissions have been awarded to second lieutenants Edward S. Barben '43, Merrill J. Humbert '43, and Edward E. Bitner '40. . . John Michael L. Kerns '43 recently became a lieutenant in the Marine Corps. . . Charles W. Denko '43 and John F. Lingenfetter '41 have received their first lieutenants' bars. . . Randall H. Rice '46 is a new Navy ensign, while Walter Fahnestock '44 received a similar commission from the Coast Guard.

Casualties

Second Lt. Charles P. Flanzer '46 previously missing over Europe is now listed as killed in action. . . Sgt. Blair Harmon '46 was killed over France while serving as a radio operator on a B-17. . . Capt. Jack Willis Brown '43 has also been listed as killed.

First Lt. Samuel Griffin '45 was killed about two weeks after V-E Day. . . Second Lt. William Fletcher Miles Jr. '40 who was captured at Bataan is now reported as officially dead.