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Sponsors For Dry Dock

After weeks of bickering and buck-passing about getting White Hall open for Dry Dock, five women's organizations have decided to do something about it. WSGA, Cwens, Junior Service Board, Mortar Board, and Panhellenic Council have voted to sponsor Dry Dock in White Hall, and have sent an appeal to Dr. Carl P. Schott, who is in charge of the building.

These women's organizations are to be complimented for their action. According to present regulations, the only way Dry Dock could break the sanctum of White Hall is under the auspices of a woman's organization. WSGA, Panhellenic Council, and the honoraries, representing all Penn State women, realize the dire need for student recreation. But in taking this action, they also realized that they would face faculty opposition. WRA, on the other hand, refused to back Dry Dock because their adviser, Miss Marie Haidt, opposes opening White Hall to men. WRA, it appears, is influenced by one faculty member and not by the students they supposedly represent.

The backing of women's organizations is just the first step towards Dry Dock. The next move is up to the School of Physical Education faculty. If they, too, realize the unlimited values of White Hall to the student body, Collegian feels certain that they will approve the proposed plan.

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Old Mania

By BARBARA INGRAHAM

In case you've been wondering what the coeds have been muttering as they twisted the used straws in the Corner Room, it's "will he, won't he, will he get here for the eighth?" It seems that more fellows are scheduled to get leaves or discharges just about that time. Pete Faloon is scanning the papers for news of husband Bob's arrival from overseas and Collegian Editor Woodene Bell is wondering if fiancée Blair Cochran's discharge will be through by then.

From "Previews of Coming Attractions" comes the news that the Teke's Pflieger and Mitchell will present a new and original skit at their informal dance next Saturday. Favors for the affair will be pictures of each couple there.

Pi Lamb Plans

The Pi Lambs are having an informal dance with members from their Pitt chapter as guests tomorrow night. Those there will include Jordan Markson and AEPi Nancy Hoffman . . . Alan Easkin and Harriet Miller . . . Hank Freeland and Elaine Shapiro . . . Bob Goldstein and Sonny Coyne . . . William Klein and Carole Gold.

Fraternity jewelry continues to exchange hands. Sigma Pi grad student George Fryburg gave his pin to Theta Jeanne Hirt . . . PIKA Keith Norman pinned Helen Hemler. Helen, a former State coed, is now a medical technician at the Jefferson Hospital in Philly . . . Janet Wiborg is wearing ZBT Dick Pomerantz' pin . . . Alpha Chi Sig Fred Nicholas and AOPi Carolyn Hartman are pinned.

SPE John Chiquione gave his pin to Jean Dickson . . . Margaret Kilgour has Herb Wright's Sigma Chi jewelry . . . AChiO Katie Powell and Sigma Chi Dave Laudig are pinned . . . ditto SPE Tom Hutchins and Joanne Bailey . . . also SPE Buzz Fahringer and Betty Fenstermaker.

Marjorie Stubbs has a ring from Machinist's Mate Donald Rhodes . . . Sigma Chi Don Riebe is engaged to Carol Tanner . . . ditto Julia Arronson to Phi Sig Sig George Bobroff . . . Phi Sig Sig Sandy Braillove to Eli Sachs.

The Girls Next Door

Sigma Phi Alpha held an open house for "the girls next door" Sunday afternoon . . . The Sigma Pi's had an informal Weiner roast Sunday evening . . . Al Brenner visited the campus last weekend and took 12 Jordan Hall coeds to dinner.

Ens. Alan Keransky treked up to see Shirlee Isenberg . . . ditto Seaman Jim Neiman to see Doris Kline . . . also Ski Wreblevski to see his fiancée, Gamma Phi Beta Ginny Tennyson.

Norm Peterson was up to see Lois Hartz . . . ditto Walt Backman to see AOPi Carolyn LeWorthy . . . also Jim Hyhurst to visit ZTA Polly Boyd . . . Mike Hayes to see ChiO June Heckman. DTS Dewey Brumbaugh to see Kallozetia Jean Deal. This was Dewey's first campus visit since he returned from overseas duty.

Among the other weekend visitors were DG Jan Jansson . . . Lois Miller . . . Phi Sig Delt Shelly Gallanter . . . Sigma Chi's Frank Leurssen, Paul Cauffiel, Jack Sailing, Willy Knight and Paul Decker . . . Phi Sig Delt Moe Gralla . . . Joan Schlesinger . . . SPE's Johnny Walker, Blair Kalosa, Bill Brough and Stan Lourimore, who spent part of their army furloughs helping out at the house during "Construction Week" . . . SDT alum Claire Kohn . . . SDT Terry Rosenthal will be up this weekend.

—Maniac

Back In Mufti

Joseph E. O'Tousa, now a second semester "pre-med" on campus, went overseas in the middle of '42 as a navigator with the famed "Jolly Rogers." He was shot down in combat, spent two days at sea on a raft, and helped down seven Jap Zero's and sink two Jap transports.

He also reached the conclusion that Yank diplomats who might try to establish friendly relations with one group of Australian aborigines will have quite a job on their hands! All because of a siren and bomb bay doors. And bananas!

The crew had flown the "Buzz-in' Cuzzin'" that day on a bomb mission to Rabaul that had been rough. The B-24 was too badly shot up to cross the Owen Stanley mountains to its base in Australia so the pilot maneuvered the crippled bomber onto a small air strip used occasionally by Allied fighters.

The runway was a level coral beach. Where the coral ended the jungle began. A clump of straw huts set on poles, off the wet land, stood in a clearing. A horde of natives rushed from them toward the B-24.

Accustomed to the small P-39's which had landed on the field, they had never seen the likes of the monster except in the air. Everyone came to look. Lively,

spindly legs, skirts which were tablecloths, white kinky hair, black legs in discarded GI trousers. They swarmed into the plane.

It was the bomb bay which especially fascinated them. "This where boom come from? This where boom Japs?" They spoke broken English.

The friendly people were a curiosity to the crew at first. They walked everywhere, exploring in wonder. But time passed and they showed no intention of leaving the plane. The bomber's engineer used psychology! He pressed a button; a siren screamed; the bomb bay doors began to creep shut! The tourists shrieked wildly, clambered helter-skelter from the plane, and scattered into the jungle.

An hour or so later, one of the
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