

NEWS FLASH

Les Brown and his orchestra will play for an All-College dance to be held at Recreation Hall on May 24, All-College Cabinet announced at its meeting last night. The contract was signed late yesterday afternoon.

Now What?

According to tradition and their charters, Froth is the campus humor magazine, and Portfolio, the literary publication.

But during the war, campus publications went the way of many campus activities, and were either modified or suspended. The Daily Collegian became a weekly, Froth went out of existence, and Portfolio drifted into obscurity. With the beginning of the Fall semester, the New Portfolio came out, stating as its policy, "to entertain," but making no mention of its charter commitments as a literary periodical.

The fact that Portfolio has the right "to entertain" is undeniable, but whether or not it has the right to enter the humor field is questionable.

Humorous essays, such as those written by Mark Twain and James Thurber, are both literary and humorous. Portfolio has attempted this type of article in its recent issues, and has every right to do so. But Portfolio has also published jokes and cartoons, which are not generally considered literary.

Now the antagonist enters the picture. Froth is seeking permission to return as the official campus humor magazine, and plans to publish its first issue this semester. What will happen to the New Portfolio?

If Portfolio retains its present policy, Penn State will have two humor publications. And Penn State has no need for two humor magazines, especially when there is no literary periodical.

Collegian suggests that Portfolio issue a clear statement of its policy for the future.

Does it intend to stay in the semi-literary humor field and compete with Froth, or will it return to its original literary policy?

Sign 'Em, Please!

Each week Collegian receives a number of Letters to the Editor which never appear in the paper, simply because they are not signed.

According to Collegian's policy, all letters MUST BE SIGNED if they are published. However, if the writer wishes, Collegian will withhold the name of the author.

Many of these letters contain constructive ideas which the staff would like to pass on to the student body. So if you write Letters to the Editor, won't you please sign 'em?

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Old Mania

By BARBARA INGRAHAM

It was a gala affair at the DU's annual formal pledge dance Saturday night, with 175 couples dancing to the music of Paul Groves. Among those who were there . . . Fritz Troutman and Ruth Black . . . Tommy Sica and Jackie Horan . . . Ted LeFevre and Kappa Terrie Kist . . . Jim McNelis and Kappa Betty Schmitt.

Also seen at the DU house were Walker Cleeland and Kappa Nancy Embicic . . . Jack Cameron and Sally Pollard . . . Bob Burge and Pris Wagner . . . Bob Kimball and Mary Louise McNelis . . . Archie Miller and Lil Skrabart.

Rings and Pins
There are a whole flock of pinnings and engagements again this week. Phi Ep Bert Schoff gave his pin to SDT Shirley Rubin . . . AOPi pledge Grace Fuchs is wearing Jinx Falkenberg's Chi Phi jewelry . . . AEPi Sonny Fuchs is pinned to Harvey Barsha. Harvey is a CCNY grad . . . AEPi pledge John Kapneck and North Carolina ZBT Jack Moses are pinned. SDT Elaine Fehr is wearing a ZBT pin from Marv Sattler . . . Beta Sig Dick Rosen gave his recognition pin to SDT Polly Krow . . . Junie First is wearing a sparkler from Phi Psi Ray Murphy . . . AEPi Harriet Rockman is engaged to Phi Sig alum Moe Rotherberg . . . Phi Sig Sig alum Mickey Glaser has a ring from Bernard Somenhan.

Emmy Lou Roach is engaged to Marcel Farnout Millet. He's her roommate's brother . . . Gamma Phi Beta Marian Doty has announced her engagement to Harry Bickford, University of New Hampshire student.

DG Claire Hamilton is being married Saturday to Sigma Nu Bob Hall . . . Beta Sig Bill Pomerantz middle-aged it with Dulcey Feldman in Philadelphia Sunday . . . Jackie Irvin said

"I do" to Ed Sullivan. **'Happy Bachelors'**
The SPE "Happy Bachelor's" club elected Bernie Klein, historian. Fines will be levied against those members attending the Spring Nocturne, but not the Dungaree Drag. Against those roped into going to Beta Sigs Jerry Kreuger and Izzy Richter were back . . . Art Abramson treked up from Philadelphia to see AEPi pledge Ruth Kraftzow . . . the Phi Mu's former treasurer Jean Hoover was up . . . CHIO Jean Thomas was in town to visit TKE Dave Lundy . . . the Phi Sig Deltas entertained Ensign Shelly Marks and Hal Chadnoff last weekend . . . Al Silver came up from New York to see his fiance Auline Genber.

Other campus visitors were Theta alum Eric Schautz . . . Jack Stafford to see Theta Phi Alpha Flo Seese . . . DG's Stella Riddle and Sally Holstrom and Lampede Lorraine Zimmerman went to Bucknell for the prom last weekend . . . AChIO Joan Harrington went home to see her fiance Tom Moore, a Pitt Phi Delt.

SDT Lee Shane will be up to see NROTC Sid Dickstein this week-end . . . After semesters and semesters, Theta Chi Bill Renton and Chi O Barb Smith are pinned.

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NROTC News

By TOM KELLY

Ens. Howie Hartman, local boy who made out, returned to the scene of his scholastic triumphs over the weekend. Howie was seen in various places about campus with a Gama Gama Glama girl on his arm.

The ancient art of bicycling, whose sole adherent in the unit, Ed Hobart, was probably beginning to feel lonely, now has another devotee since Boots Stetler broke his ankle. Boots really gets around on that bike.

Fashion Notes

Peacoats were once more in vogue at the beginning of the week, when the spring weather petered out and the place began to feel like the upper stretches of Siberia, with the Labrador current superimposed.

The Navy dress blues (bell bottoms) long an integral item in the trainee's wardrobe will be seen no more on campus. The final blow to the "old monkey suit is good enough for me" boys came last Wednesday. From now on it'll be highly illegal to wear the garment. The Executive Committee of the "Oh, I wish I was back at sea with the spray hitting me in the mush Chowder and marching club" will spend a half hour crying in their beer Saturday night in commemoration of the event. The meeting will take place at the Skeller, Karl Van Delvin presiding.

Plans are staggering forward for the establishing of a Navy paper on campus. At the present time various amounts of obstacles have to be overcome, but it is hoped the journal will rear its comely head shortly after the Easter leave. Lieutenant (jg) Slaughter will supervise the production.

Letters to the Editor

Silly Platforms

Dear Editor:
Your editorial in today's issue of The Collegian suggested that 60% of the students were not interested enough in College politics to vote. How did you ever guess that?

Frankly, the platforms, of both parties, were extremely silly and one seriously wonders when the day will come when our "liberal artists" wake up. There are some serious problems that the student body ought to face: outrageous rooming prices, lack of dormitory facilities and the filthy state of the campus (which is due to the carelessness of the student body and not to Grounds and Buildings). I wonder how many persons signed the AVC sponsored petition for the passage of the present housing bill in Congress. I bet you there were over 2,000.

College students all over the country are working on real problems and are trying to solve them. Penn State students seem to be worried (or rather their representatives elected by 40% of the student body) what to do Sunday afternoons. I pity those poor souls who don't have enough initiative to do something. However, considering the qualifications of some

of the candidates I really agree that the platforms were equal to the problems they can handle, and I don't mean many.

There are many serious problems on hand; I mentioned some of them. Why not try to meet those rather than horse around? The Collegian could help a great deal. Being the only paper on campus, it is the duty of the Editor to look out for student welfare. Won't you try?

Hopefully
Amused-Non-Voter.

Dr. H. Klenower

... director of teacher education and certification of the State Department of Public Instruction, will address the dinner meeting of the School of Education faculty at the Allencrest, West Beaver avenue at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

German Conversation Club

... will meet at 115 West Hamilton Avenue at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Karl Van Delden, NROTC, will speak to the group on German from 1936 to 1939.

Bullosopher

BY FERDINAND

J. Solvency Dingleberry, foremost feline authority on horticulture, read a blurb put out by the Public Information department the other day that set him to thinking.

The article quoted a "College expert" who suggests that communities and municipalities plant large tracts of trees as a fitting memorial for the dead of World War II.

Even more fitting, thinks Dingleberry, would be for some of our experts to come out of the woods where they are stumbling and tackle some of the problems now facing us.

For instance, it might be more practical to plant a stop light at the corner of Allen and College avenues in this community instead of more trees. Of course no man-made stop lights will ever look as lovely as a tree but they are to be preferred if they save as much as one life.

The same goes for the X-G-I Club which is planning "to purchase a memorial plaque dedicated to, and listing names of all Penn State men who gave their lives in World War II." A very tangible memorial no doubt, but Dingy has a more practical proposal for the proceeds from the X-G-I dance tonight.

(Ed. Note: Collegian policy does not necessarily hold with the hard realism of J. Solvency Dingleberry for it must be remembered that cats do not have souls; consequently they place less emphasis on the aesthetic.)

Says Dingy, "that money could be used to have little booklets printed before the Fall semester begins. Contained would be the names of Penn State men killed in our latest war, with pictures and descriptions of each."

To every returning veteran who comes room-hunting next semester a copy would be given. Room hunters lucky enough to find a nice unfinished attic for rent at \$4.50 per week or a cozy nook in the basement for \$5.00 (because it's near the furnace) could then pull out the book and read passages to local landgorgers along this sample line of patter:

"Perhaps you remember Joe Etoain, Mrs. Shrdlu? He used to have this room at one time. Paid two-fifty or three bucks for it. Of course it was rather nasty of him to leave without giving you much notice. Rather inconsiderate of him and his draft board, don't you agree? Must have been awfully rough on townspeople during those lean war years when they had no roomers. Ah, but those days are over! No doubt you thank God that your home was saved by guys like Etoain. What did you say you were going to do with the money you're making by doubling your rent? You're going to plant a tree with a bronze plaque on it for Joe . . ."

If the X-G-I Club does not care for this idea, Dingy suggests they donate the money to the AVC committee investigating the housing situation. Whenever the committee discovers a case where the rent has been raised disproportionately, it would make arrangements to pay the difference between prewar and postwar rates. They would pay the amount by check; each check embossed with: "X-G-I Fund in Memory of Penn State Men Killed in World War II."

From the Files

September and October, 1929

The engineering and chemistry buildings and Grange dormitory were being used for the first time.

"Old Main Bell," college literary publication, was increasing its staff.

Penn State welcomed 1200 frosh in the fifth annual Freshman Week.

Daniel was entertaining Collegian readers with "The Lion's Den."

Penn State Players presented "Is Zat So?", pistic farce.

Efforts were being made to obtain a Phi Beta Kappa chapter for Penn State.

The College held the seventy-first annual convocation in Rec Hall. This was the first time in recent College history that any meeting had been held in a building large enough to hold all the student body.

Dr. Frank C. Whitmore came from Northwestern University to be Penn State's Dean of Chemistry and Physics.

Official opening of the Mont Alto branch of the new Pennsylvania state forestry school, formed by merging the state forest school at Mont Alto and that here, took place.

Phi Mu was the fourth Panhellenic group of women's national fraternities to enter Penn State when the Trestrella Club became the Beta Mu chapter.

"Go-eds Plan Dads' Day program for Visiting Mothers" was the head on a story.