

Feb. 14—Date For Birds To Mate; Dieticians, Beaus Celebrate

Today is that special day when lovesick couples may properly look a little more lovesick.

Just where this sentimental custom of having a St. Valentine's day began is not definitely known. In the second half of the third century, there were three men named Valentine who were martyred. All were associated with February 14.

However, the most popular theory came from the Middle Ages. People noticed that birds began to mate on February 14. Aha, thought they, we'll make this a day strictly for human beings. We'll set aside a day that will be sacred to lovers.

Chaucer, in his "Parliament of Foules," also observed the birds and said,

"For this was Seynt Valentyne's Day,

When every foul cometh ther to choose his mate."

Marlowe, Lovelace, Herrick and other English writers through the centuries have helped to spread the news until the American businessman happened on us. In came the commercial element. Accompanying it was the comic Valentine. It rapidly became a vulgar card.

Slams Sent

At the turn of the century, Valentine's Day had lost much of its connection with love and had become a day for sending mean slams. In one year, the Chicago post office rejected 25,000 Valentines on the grounds that they were not fit to be carried through the mails.

Comic Valentines are still popular, but stricter censorship and perhaps higher standards of taste have made them less offensive.

Mail Carriers Moan

And so the postman gets a backache almost as bad as his Christmas' one. Shops deck themselves out in red and white. At Penn State, coeds spend half the night finishing a pair of socks for this month's dream throb. The men pick up a box of candy or order a bunch of roses, because they almost forgot it was Valentine's Day. Dormitory dieticians get into the spirit of love, forgetting the high cost of food for an evening, they present repeat fit for lovers—pink ice cream and candlelight.

Perhaps Valentine's Day is commercialized. But, every coed who gets those last minute roses knows this is a day for sentiment and a day to remember.

Marian Hawkins, A. L. Myers Wed

Marian J. Hawkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Hawkins, New Cumberland, and Arthur L. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Myers, York Springs, were united in marriage January 28 at 2 p.m. in the Lutheran Student Chapel, 412 W. College Avenue.

Rev. Edwurd E. Korte, pastor to Lutheran students at the College performed the double ring ceremony.

Mrs. Myers is a senior in journalism at the College. Mr. Myers is a senior in Agricultural Engineering.

Cohn And Phillips Wed In Lancaster

The marriage of June Janet Cohn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohn of Lancaster, and Melvin B. Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Phillips of Bethlehem, took place January 28 at the Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster. The ceremony was followed by dinner at the hotel and a reception at the bride's home.

The bride wore a white ottoman faille gown with full skirt, terminating in a short train. Pearls encrusted the top of her fingertip veil, and she carried a colonial bouquet of white gladiolas and sweet peas, centered with a white orchid.

Her attendants included Mrs. Sanford B. Ains of New York and Miss Ruth Phillips, sister of the bridegroom. Mr. Harry Kohler, the bridegroom's uncle, was best man.

Mrs. Phillips was a member of Sigma Delta Tau sorority at the College. Mr. Phillips is a graduate of Bucknell University, where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. The couple will live in Bethlehem, where Mr. Phillips is employed by the Phillips Music Store.

Sororities Plan Open Houses Sat.

The 19 sororities on campus will hold open house in their suites Saturday from 2 to 5 o'clock.

The main purpose of the Open House is to develop closer friendships between independent and sorority women. The Open House will also provide an opportunity for those girls interested in joining a sorority to meet members of all the groups.

WRA Seeks New Swim Candidates

Candidates for swimming in the WRA aquacade are requested by Marilyn Williams, intramural chairman, to come to the meeting of the swimming club, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Eligibility is based on attendance at club meetings or participation in intramural swimming.

The couple is living at 322 S. Allen Street.

Rusinko Sparks Leonides' Win

In WRA bowling Monday night Helen Rusinko copped high scoring honors with 150 points as she led Leonides to a 634-322 victory over Alpha Chi Omega. Alpha Epsilon Phi beat Zeta Tau Alpha 592-520 and Alpha Gamma Delta won over Phi Mu 506-501.

In badminton Woman's building beat McAllister hall, Atherton East won over Atherton West and Phi Sigma Sigma lost to Delta Delta Delta. Chi Omega won over Delta Gamma and Alpha Omega Pi beat Delta Zeta.

Greeks To Join In Religion Week

Nancy George, president of Panhellenic council, has requested that all sororities participate in Religion-in-Life Week, which begins this Sunday.

Fire-side chats will be held every evening next week in the lounges of the women's dormitories. Both independent and sorority women are invited to participate.

Because of President Eisenhower's address in Schwab auditorium next Monday, Miss George has requested that sororities close their meetings in time to enable sorority members to attend. The President's address is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

Daghir Marriage Performed Jan. 27

Miss Wanda Rickards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rickards, of Homestead, Pa., and Mr. George Daghir were married in St. Leo's church, Homestead, on January 27.

Mr. Daghir is a senior in the School of Liberal Arts, and is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Mrs. Daghir is continuing to teach at St. Marys school in St. Marys, Pa.

Square Dance In PUB

A square dance sponsored by the Nittany and Poitock councils will be held Saturday night in the PUB.

Recommended attire is cotton dresses for girls and dungarees for men.

Co-Edits

Acacia

Acacia will have a record dance Friday night which will be open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

New Acacia pledges are Richard Matton and John Nuske.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

President and Mrs. Milton Eisenhower will be guests of Tau Kappa Epsilon at dinner tonight.

Kappa Delta Rho

Donald Carbaugh, Richard Denton, John Graham, Earl Grissinger, John Haines, Richard Kelly, Robert Matasick, John Megles, Robert Miller, Arnold Pappazozo, and Duane Walker were recently initiated into Kappa Delta Rho.

Pledged were William Bair, Robert Beieha, Robert Cassol, Herbert Flora, Joseph Hutta, Ned Koche, Vincent Purcell, and John Swartz.

Sigma Delta Tau

Louise Bregman and Janet Papernick were recently initiated into Sigma Delta Tau.

Theta Kappa Phi

Pledged by Theta Kappa Phi were Joseph Yenser, Michael West, James Duke, John McCarthy, Jerry Accianni, and John Flynn. Pledge officers for this semester are Joseph Filoromo, president; Edward Sweeney, vice-president; Alfred Freistak, secretary; Raymond McGrellis, treasurer; Robert Scullin, steward; Rudy Marrazzo, pledge master; Thomas Shriver, rushing chairman; and James Dougherty, social chairman.

Kappa Sigma

Joseph Henry, Robert Pawlowski, Wayne Croushore, Joseph Simone, Dick Allio, and Herbert McCollom were initiated into Kappa Sigma fraternity Sunday morning.

New officers for the coming semester are Guy Pietz, grand master; Charles Shenot, grand procurator; James Kelz, grand master of ceremonies; Peter Craig, grand treasurer, and James Lovett, grand scribe.

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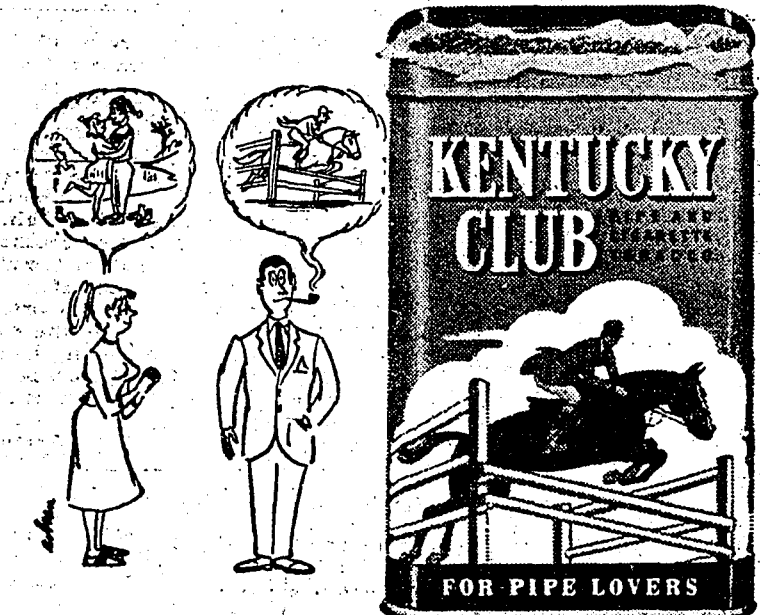
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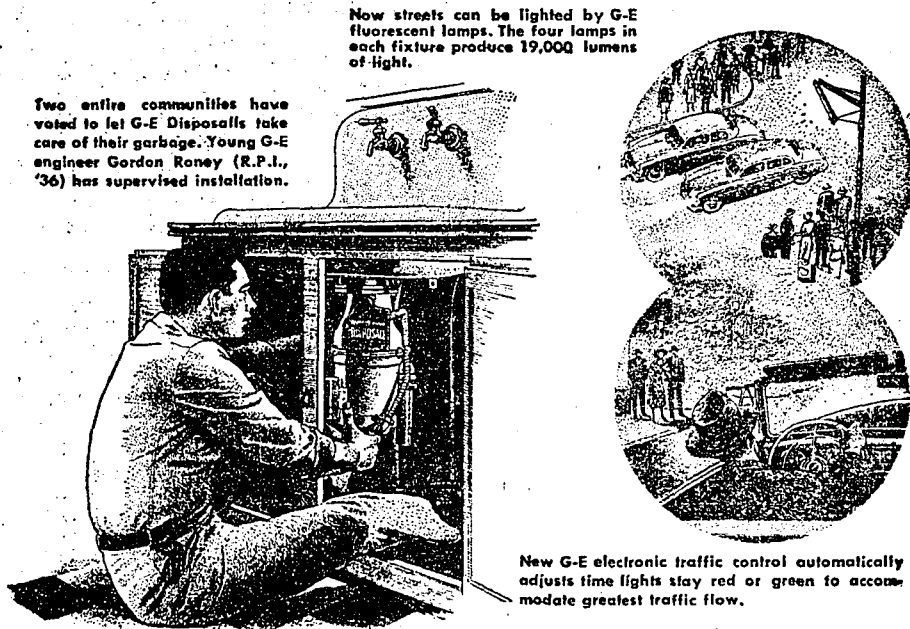
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In Detroit, G-E engineers have installed something new in street-lighting—fluorescent street lamps. Their light is brighter, less glaring, and will make driving safer.

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