

# Patriotic Theme Chosen for Ball

By JOHN SHEPPARD

Amid red, white, and blue decorations which will add a patriotic touch to Recreation Hall at tomorrow night's Military Ball, Charles "Rip" Engle, head football coach, will crown one of five finalists queen of the affair.

The queen will receive a silver crown engraved with the emblems of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. In addition, each of the candidates will be presented with a bouquet of red roses and a rhinestone necklace, bracelet, and earring set.

Those who will vie for the honors are Joan Brown, Patricia Day, Joan Deeg, Katherine Nicoll, and Mary Oehlschlager. Of the five finalists, Miss Oehlschlager is the only one not attending the College.

## Resort Waitress

When informed of her selection as one of the five finalists, Miss Brown exclaimed, "Oh, I'm thrilled about the news." The brown-eyed blonde, an 18-year-old first semester freshman, is majoring in education.

During the summer, Miss Brown worked as a resort waitress at Atlantic City. A native of Altoona, she considers music, sports, and art among her hobbies. She will be escorted by David Borland, and will wear a white net gown.

Miss Day, a 17-year-old blonde from Bridgeville, sighed deeply upon hearing the news and said, "Oh, I think it's wonderful." Majoring in home economics, she is a first semester freshman.

## Accounting Department

Miss Day, who will be escorted by William Winterburn, was also one of the Belle Hop Ball finalists. At Bridgeville High School, the blue-eyed coed was May Queen. Tomorrow night she will wear a navy blue beaded gown.

Miss Deeg, a fifth semester home economics major, summed up her selection in two words, "It's terrific."

The blue-eyed blonde from Philadelphia has spent her summers working in the accounting department of the Philadelphia Electric Co. A member of Phi Mu, Miss Deeg likes to sew, read, and hike.

## Flabbergasted

At the ball she will wear a strapless gown. Sven Schiff will be her escort.

"I'm flabbergasted," was Miss Nicoll's reply when notified of her selection as a finalist. A junior majoring in physical education, Miss Nicoll is a member of Delta Zeta. She has spent her summers as a resort waitress at Stone Harbor, Me.

Miss Nicoll, who hails from Bethlehem, will wear a red strapless gown, and her escort will be Robert Dennison. The brunette's hobbies include modern dancing and sports.

Miss Oehlschlager is a 21-year-old senior majoring in home economics. She attends Pennsylvania College for Women, where she is active in extra-curricular activities. A blue-eyed blonde, Miss Oehlschlager hails from Pittsburgh. George Schardt will be her escort.

## Taylor Leads Carol Singing Program

Some old-fashioned Christmas spirit invaded Simmons Hall Tuesday night when Mrs. Willa Taylor, chapel choir director, led coeds in a Christmas carol sing.

Momentarily forgetting dates and studies, the coeds gathered around Mrs. Taylor, who played the piano and directed the singing. The choir director taught the coeds several German and Polish carols and a Negro Christmas spiritual. She was assisted by music majors from the dormitory.

## French Club Will Meet

The French Club will meet at 7 tonight in the Home Economics Living Center. The program will include learning to sing Christmas songs in French. Refreshments will be served.

## Slavonic Honorary

Alpha Rho Omega, Slavonic honorary, will meet at 7:30 tonight in the PSCA room in Old Main. There will be dancing and other entertainment.

# Simmons, KKG Tops In Leagues

Simmons and Kappa Kappa Gamma added league title to their records as a result of last night's intramural basketball contests.

The Simmons sextet had to wallopp the Chi Omega squad 51-13 to get League V title. For the winners, Nancy Jarden poured in 15 tallies while her teammate, Mimi Burrit, netted 10.

The League VI title went to Kappa Kappa Gamma automatically when Thompson C forfeited to them. Both league winners claim unmarred seasons of six wins.

The other games resulted in Alpha Chi Omega forfeiting to Alpha Epsilon Phi and Thompson B to Phi Mu.

Delta Zeta stopped Gamma Phi Beta by taking all their table tennis matches. In the remaining games Delta Delta Delta forfeited to Delta Gamma, Thompson D to Alpha Omicron Pi, and McAllister II to Kappa Delta.

## WRA IM Schedule

### Basketball

7:00—Kappa Alpha Theta vs. Alpha Xi Delta. Alpha Gamma Delta vs. Phi Sigma Sigma.

8:00—Sigma Delta Tau vs. Thompson D. Theta Phi Alpha vs. Beta Sigma Omicron.

### Swimming

7:00—Atherton East, Atherton West, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta, Town, and Thompson.

## Engagements

### Meckley-Betts

Mrs. Marshall Betts of State College has announced the engagement of her daughter, Margaret, to Robert Meckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Meckley of York.

Miss Betts is a senior and is a member of Gamma Phi Beta. She was treasurer of Chimes, junior women's activities honorary, and served as sophomore activity chairman of the Women's Recreation Association.

Mr. Meckley, a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, was graduated from the College last February, and is now employed by the Capital Construction Co., Dillsburg.

## Faculty Luncheon Club To Hear Schilling

Dr. H. K. Schilling, dean of the Graduate School, will address the Faculty Luncheon Club at the Hotel State College Monday.

Dr. Schilling has chosen "Graduate School Problems Discussed at the Meeting of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities" for his subject.

"Good luck is a lazy man's estimate of a worker's success." —Anonymous

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# WRA Chooses Conclave Topic

Women's Recreation Association and its relation to the college campus will be the theme for next fall's convention of the Pennsylvania division of the Athletic Federation of College Women.

The conference to be held Oct. 24 to 26 at the College is sponsored by WRA.

Any woman student wishing to work on a committee for the convention may contact Barbara Wallace in 245 Atherton. Committees include publicity, printed material, registration, recreation, entertainment, food, housing, and program.

Two movies, "Mickey Mouse Gives a Party" and "The Bear Cub," have been selected to be shown to about 60 second and third graders from rural schools at the WRA Christmas party Dec. 14. WRA members will decorate the tree for the party on Saturday.

Bucknell University, Juniata College, Lock Haven State Teachers College, Lycoming College, Susquehanna University, and Wilson College will be invited by WRA to a playday Feb. 23.

The board declined an invitation from Susquehanna to send a basketball team to a play day.

# Panhel to Donate \$15 to Aid Victims Of Gentzel Blaze

Panhellenic Council Tuesday night appropriated \$15 to the central fund for aid to victims of the Gentzel fire, and recommended that each sorority take up an individual collection among its members.

Marlene Heyman, substituting for Panhel President Marilyn Levitt, announced that formal rushing will begin Feb. 23 and continue until March 5. In preparation for rushing, a workshop for sorority women will be held the morning of Jan. 12 in the main lounge of Simmons Hall.

The council voted down a motion for a tea to orient potential rushees.

It was recommended from the chair that the sororities which have "hell weeks" for pledges make them more constructive. They were advised to investigate opportunities for doing welfare and philanthropic work.

## Profs to Participate In Language Meeting

Three faculty members will participate in the 66th annual meeting of the Modern Language Association of America in Detroit during the last week of December.

Dr. Oscar A. Haac, assistant professor of Romance Languages, will read a paper on "Michelot's Oral Style." Dr. Robert J. Clements, professor and head of the department of Romance Languages, will lead a discussion on "French Literature of the 16th Century," and Dr. Albert F. Buffington, professor of German, will serve as secretary of the Anglo-German Literary Relations Group.

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# Christmas 'Humbug' Brings Its Troubles

By EVVIE KIELAR

The happy seasonal time approacheth. Some newspaper scanners will be reading "only 16 shopping days 'til Christmas."

Planning to catch the consumer at the time of least resistance, namely, when he is still stuffed with the remains of Thanksgiving turkey, these bold ads are designed to make him spend less for food so that he will have more to spend on Christmas sales.

"Just think," signs will read, "our special pre-Christmas sale will give you an opportunity to pick up wonderful bargains, such as genuine Indian pottery, marked down from \$5 to \$7.98. Just the thing for mother-in-law!"

## Home at Last!

Soon everyone will be asked to give outright to everything from the Old Ladies' Home-on-the-Hill to the Policemen's Christmas Ball. The latter galls a certain portion of the population—those who own cars.

But the holidays are actually a time of great joy for everyone, rich and poor. Students get to leave school. They go home to eat, to sleep, and to drink cider. Actually, without the presence of a roommate, many will find it too quiet to sleep. Those who do sleep, will wake up with vague recollections of eight o'clocks. Throwing snowballs at the mailman who delivered a below-grade will work off some of the excess energy which is bound to pile up.

Fortunate indeed is the student who gets out of putting up the tree and trimming it. If one's family harbors pint-size offspring, one may find it difficult to explain why the chimney should not be swept in preparation for Santa's visit.

## Dad's New Car

The worst nightmare of all is Christmas shopping. "Do your Christmas shopping early," advises the man on the radio. Yet somehow, mother-in-law's pottery will be forgotten until sometime Christmas eve. This will necessitate a last minute dash to the hometown business district.

Some unfortunates may add to the holiday season's accident statistics by ramming dad's shiny car into someone else's rattletrap. No need to wonder at the identity of the late-shopper. Ten to one it will be friend radio announcer.

Acquisitions during the Christmas season, other than gifts, may include bronchitis, resulting from carolling, and probably will include sore backs and chins sustained in active combat while decorating the tree.

But all too soon students will be wending their way back to the institutes of learning in anticipation of a fast recovery in time for semester vacation.

"Every guest hates the others, and the host hates them all." —Albanian Proverb

# Special Train Rates Offered

Next Wednesday has been set as the deadline for students to sign up for special train rates at Christmas vacation, Edward Shanken, head of the student transportation committee, said yesterday.

A 28 per cent discount on train rates is being offered to students this Christmas vacation if 25 students or more sign up for train transportation to one area.

Students desiring to take advantage of this offer are to submit their name, destination, phone number and time they can leave to the Student Union desk in Old Main for Shanken.

Shanken said yesterday that only two students had signed up for trains so far, but that at Thanksgiving time there were only a few more students needed to support the special rate plan. More students should consider taking advantage of this offer, Shanken said.

All trains leave from Lewistown.

# Patterson to Talk To Science Club

Margaret E. Patterson, executive secretary of the Science Clubs of America, Washington, D.C., will be the speaker at the initiation ceremonies for forty-seven students and recent graduates into this honorary.

Miss Patterson will speak on "A Search for Science Talent." A graduate of the University of Missouri, Miss Patterson started her career of fostering the science club movement in 1938.

The initiation will be held in the Parish House of Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church at 6 p.m. next Wednesday, and will be open to local members and wives or husbands. A banquet will follow.

Those who have not already made reservations may contact Charles C. Dillio, president of the local chapter of the honor society.

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