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Literary Contest Prizes Awarded

St. Clair, Young Top Freshman Writing With Prose and Poetry

First prize of five dollars for prose writing in the annual freshman literary contest was awarded to Judy St. Clair, '47, for her story entitled "Since Stan Left," while Joan Young, '47, won first prize of five dollars for poetry with her two poems, "Pittsburgh" and "Sonnet." Second prize of two dollars and fifty cents in prose writing was given to Eva Abramson for her work entitled "The Fresh Grave." Alex F. Dejoia, '47, was awarded honorable mention for his poem "The Grass is Green."

Judges for the contest were Julian Ross, Julius A. Miller and Stanley S. Swartley. The prize-winning entries will be published in the January issue of the Literary Magazine.

Established in November, 1935, the Freshman Literary contest was held this year from October 11 through November 1. All freshmen were encouraged to submit as many pieces of their own original literary work as they desired, and all types of literature were accepted.

Freshmen Celebrate Independence

A bonfire blazed behind Arter hall last Monday evening at seven p. m., but the fuel that was originally intended to be used never reached the fire builders. Tradition reared its sentimental head and prevented the boys and girls of '47 from carrying through their original plan of disposing of their well-worn dinks in the conflagration. After all, it is pretty difficult to hang ashes on the wall as a reminder of the days when one was an Allegheny freshman of a rather greenish hue.

Spirits were high and voices were lusty as the freshmen celebrated their newly-found freedom at the general meeting of the class under the direction of President Sammy Knappenberger. After the bonfire the "joyous ones" snake-danced or a devious route past the library and Bentley hall to the drive in front of Brooks. When they were assured that their yells and cheers had attracted the attention of a sufficient number of residents of this habitation, they rendered the song of the class of '47, which was written by Mary Jane Sector. School spirit demanded "Near the Vale," and more cheers followed. The evening's activities culminated in a general rush to Montgomery field, where '47 was added to the class numbers already upon the wall.

Among those who assisted in making this freshman gathering a success were John Bowlus, Dwane Clark, Wally Dart, Jean Linnert, and Bob Miller.

Parlette Plays for MUC Dance Friday Evening

The Men's Undergraduate council will sponsor a college men's dance in Brooks hall Friday, December 3, from 9:00 p. m. to 11:45 p. m. Gene Parlette and his orchestra will furnish the music for the affair, which is to be semi-formal.

Emphasis is laid on the fact that this dance is being held for all college men who are represented on the M.U.C. This includes all fraternity and independent men.

Mitchell Daniels, '44, is general chairman of the affair, assisted by Tom Johnson, '46, Jim Rhinesmith, '44, and Paul Beaver, '46, are in charge of decorations. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Seely, Dr. Ogilvie, and Miss Laila Skinner will chaperon.

Chemii Club Sees First In Series of Scientific Movies

"Surface Chemistry," a moving picture showing the work of Dr. Irving Langmuir, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize for chemistry in 1922, was the feature of last week's meeting of Chemii club.

In the picture, first of a series on Nobel prize winners, Dr. Langmuir and his collaborator, Miss Katherine Blodgett, demonstrated in their own way some of their simple experiments on the basic principles of liquids on surfaces.

Dr. Langmuir is noted for his invention of the gas-filled incandescent light and the atomic welding process, as well as other valuable contributions to science.

New Seating Plan Started In Dining Hall

A new seating chart, which was worked out by a committee composed of both men and women, was put into effect this week by A.W.S.

According to the seating arrangement, which will be changed every two weeks, two men will sit at each of tables 7 to 22 inclusive. Upperclassmen who are heads of tables in the main dining room will face Park avenue and the heads of tables in the alcove will face the kitchen in order to facilitate service by the waitresses. The seating chart will be in effect Monday through Thursday evening of each week.

Carrie Emerson, '44, president of A.W.S., emphasized the fact that the success of the new arrangement will depend upon the cooperation of all the students.

German Club Holds Outing At Bousson Club

A German club outing was held last Tuesday night from 6 to 10 p. m. at Bousson in the Outing club cabin. Twelve people attended the party which was planned by Betty Fisk, '45, and chaperoned by Miss Mildred Ludwig. Other members of the committee were Anne Schiewe, '44, Rae Marsteller, '47, Mary Lou Womer, '46, and Claire Waldner, '45.

Supper, consisting of stew, French bread, celery, doughnuts, coffee, and German almond candy, was served. Dancing and singing provided the entertainment of the evening.

Rita Rogers Wins Women's Speech Contest

First place in the annual Women's Extemporaneous Speaking contest held last Tuesday noon in the chapel was awarded to Rita Rogers, '44, representing Alpha Chi Omega. A tie for second place between Dorothy Edwards, '46, Alpha Gamma Delta, and Eleanor Jones, '46, Kappa Alpha Theta, was announced.

Donald Mogg, '44, president of the Philo-Franklin Union introduced the speakers. The topic for discussion was "How can Allegheny women prepare for the post-war world?"

Other participants in the contest were Winifred Kemp, '45, Independent Women; Jane Sinclair, '44, Alpha Xi Delta; Marion Stewart, '46, Theta Upsilon, and Nancy Sutton, '44, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Judges for the contest, which was sponsored by the Philo-Franklin Union, were Miss Mary Jane Chiles, Dr. Paul B. Cares and Dr. Stanley S. Swartley.

Over \$83 Collected In Bond Drive

According to the latest report from Rita Rogers, '45, treasurer, the new War Bond drive got well under way last week with a total of \$83.44 having been turned in up to date. This is not an all-inclusive amount, however, since it does not include any of the initial payments made by the men students or made since Thanksgiving vacation. Also the sum of \$1,700 which the Sigs have invested during the drive is not included in the above amount.

Solicitors will continue their campaigns among the students and faculty this week and the bond committee hopes that all first payments will be in by the end of the week. Each additional payment will be collected by the solicitors at a definite date each month. In order to make the drive a final success each student is asked to continue his payments, even though formal pledges have not been made out, until he has bought a bond at the end of the year.

Singers Annual Christmas Concert To Be Held Dec. 12

Under the direction of Mr. Morten J. Luvaas, the Allegheny Singers will present their annual Christmas concert this year in the Ford Memorial chapel on Sunday afternoon and evening of December 12. The chapel will be decorated with pine trees, lights and wreathes as in former years, in keeping with the Christmas season. The Cwens, dressed in white, will serve as ushers. The program will be about one hour in length, consisting of several organ numbers, two groups of songs by the Singers and the reading of the Christmas story.

The program will be given in the afternoon at 4:30 for town people and again in the evening at 7:30 for college students. After the evening program, a Christmas party is scheduled to be held in the oratory at which Mr. Luvaas will preside as Santa Claus.

Merrill and Mogg Elected Junior Phi Beta Kappas

The recent election of Jean Merrill, '44, and Don Mogg, '44, as junior members of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, by the faculty members of the society at Allegheny was announced in chapel Tuesday, November 23.

Merrill, an English major, is active on the Literary Magazine and feature editor of the Campus and is an enthusiastic member of the Outing club. She belongs to Alpha Chi Omega. Mogg, a member of Phi Kappa Psi, is president of Philo-Franklin Union and is a member of the Allegheny Undergraduate council. Both have a scholastic average of over 90%, which is a requirement

Arsenic and Old Lace at Playshop

Murder Farce to Run For Several Nights; Is One of Most Successful Broadway Plays

Arsenic and Old Lace will be featured at the Playshop on December 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, and 15. The box office at the Playshop will be open daily from 1 to 4:30 p. m. in order that student activities tickets may be exchanged for reserved seats. However, student activities tickets may be exchanged only for the performances on December 8, 9 and 10. Single admissions are 55 cents including tax.

Independent Women to Hold Christmas Party

Saturday, December 11, the Independent Women will hold their annual Christmas party for the underprivileged children of Meadville. Games will begin in Brooks gym at 2:00 p. m., to be followed by carols around the Christmas tree, a visit from Santa Claus, and typical Christmas party refreshments.

A list of the children who will be at the party will be posted on Brooks bulletin board late this week. Any student may help Santa out by signing his name after one of the children's, and then buying some quarter gift for him and placing it under the tree.

This is an annual project of the Independent Women, carried on in conjunction with the Meadville Child Welfare Society. The money for the party has been earned through the sale of sandwiches several evenings each week throughout the year.

Philip M. Benjamin, librarian, announces that all books, both from the stacks and from Reserve, are due on December 17. Beginning December 11, students may reserve books to be taken out by them from stacks or Reserve on December 18, the day on which vacation begins. All these books will be due on January 3, 1944, and those on reserve must be returned by 9:00 a. m. on this date. Students are reminded that they cannot withdraw books or be admitted to final examinations unless library fines are paid.

Playshop Movies To Conclude With "Of Mice And Men"

On Sunday, December 5, the last of the initial series of Playshop films, "Of Mice and Men," will be shown at 6:45 p. m.

Burgess Meredith and Lon Chaney, Jr., have leading roles in this adaptation of John Steinbeck's famous novel. The film has received wide acclaim both for its direction and its acting.

Joseph Kesselring, a playwright and choir director, is the writer of Arsenic and Old Lace. His idea was to write about things which his grandmother would be least likely to do, and he ended by turning out the funniest murder farce ever to appear on Broadway.

Two old maids whose hobby is homicide, a sadistic maniac, a Brewster who believes he is Teddy Roosevelt and a drama critic striving to control a crime wave—all go in the cast which "sends you" with an evening of fun. The Brewster home, originally in Brooklyn, has been especially transplanted to the Playshop stage by Mr. John Hurlbert, who is directing the play.

The cast is as follows: Abby Brewster—Arlene Fegley, '44, and Edna McMullin, '47

Martha Brewster—Marjorie Sweet, '47

Teddy Brewster—Duane Hulse, '45

Mortimer Brewster—John Robinson, '47

Elaine Harper—Catherine Carothers, '45

Reverend Harper—Tom Johnson, '46

Mr. Gibbs—John Cremer, '47

Nathan Brewster—John Yockey, '47

Dr. Einstein—Steve Hart, '47

Mr. Witherspoon—Sumner Nichols, '47

Officer O'Hara—Bradford Broughton, '46

Lieutenant Rooney—James Devine, '47

Officer Brophy—A. J. Scolio, '47

Officer Klein—Edgar Ward, '47

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THIS WEEK	
Thursday, December 2	9:00 a. m.—Playshop Film Program, "The City."
Friday, December 3	9:00—Brooks hall—M. U. C. Inter-fraternity dance.
Saturday, December 4	Bousson — Outing club and Heelers' weekend.
Sunday, December 5	2:30—Chapel—Chapel Discussion, "Russia and the Peace," Dr. Rhinesmith.
6:45—Playshop Film Program, "Of Mice and Men."	
Tuesday, December 7	9:00 a. m.—Playshop Film Program, "The Dance in Film."
8:00 p. m.—Arter 15—Qualifying speeches for Wakefield Oration contest.	
Wednesday, December 8	8:15—Playshop—Arsenic and Old Lace.
Thursday, December 9	8:15—Playshop—Arsenic and Old Lace.

Tryouts on December 7 for Wakefield Contest

Tryouts for the Wakefield Oration Contest will be held on Tuesday, December 7, at 8 p. m. in room 15, Arter Hall. All students except freshmen are eligible for tryouts. Speeches should be about ten minutes in length and participants may select their own topics. The date for the contest will be announced later.

This contest, held each year and sponsored by the Philo-Franklin Union, was originated by the will of James A. Wakefield in honor of the Reverend Samuel Wakefield, D. D. Three cash prizes will be awarded from the fund left by Mr. Wakefield.

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The Social Whirl

By PEGGY OWENS

Following a short Thanksgiving vacation, social life on campus resumes its rounds. Notable events among the post-holiday doings include the following:

Miss Martha Leighton, Eastern Province President of **Alpha Chi Omega**, will be a guest of Delta chapter this coming weekend. Miss Leighton will be honored at a tea Saturday afternoon in the chapter rooms.

On Monday evening, November 22, **Alpha Gamma Delta** initiated the following girls: Virginia Black, Martha Cahill, Ann Chappell, Dorothy Edwards, Catherine Fehse, Gladys Fleming, Sally Garver, Marjorie Kerr, Doris Larsen, Joyce Lidstone, Constance McGayhey, Barbara Moran, and Joanne Thomas. The **Alpha Gams** announce the recent marriage of Jeannette Howell, ex '45, to Mr. Nelson Tyler Williams. Rose Miller, '43, was a weekend guest. She is now in training at St. Luke's hospital in Cleveland.

Ruth Fenn, Janice Hanley, Marjorie Haslun, Dorothy Powers, Nancy Reed, Jean Reese, Valorie Simpson, Gladys Vanek, Dora Van Gorder, and Mary Lou Womer are initiates of **Alpha Xi Delta**.

Mrs. H. Lavelly and Mrs. Winkler were guests when **Kappa Alpha Theta** held its initiation banquet at the Kepler Hotel Monday, November 22. Helen McClester and Martha Miller were weekend guests of the **Thetas**.

Last Monday evening after a regular meeting the **Kappas** were entertained in the Treasure Room of Reis library by Mr. Benjamin, who gave a history of Allegheny college and showed old and rare books. June McGary has been recently installed as president of **Kappa Kappa Gamma**. Mrs. DeLana Taft Smith, ex '44, was a recent guest. Nell Hervey, '42, arrived on campus this week to take a special anatomy course. She is in training at Presbyterian hospital in New York City.

Jean Dearing, Alice Flaugh, Priscilla Garden, and Suzie Stringer are recent initiates of **Theta Upsilon**. The new arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Ross is a baby boy. Mrs. Dorothy Brennen Miller has become chapter advisor of the **T.U.s.**

Phi Kappa Psi announces the recent pledging of Paul Dain of Meadville. The **Phi Psis** have found a brother member training with the **Thirty-First College Training Detachment** here at Allegheny. He is First Sergeant Hyman McCarty, Jr., from the University of Mississippi.

Charles Foye, ex '44, Pat Sherman, ex '46, George Smith, ex '44, Joe Sorce, ex '44, and Ensign Andy Williams, ex '44, were recent guests of **Sigma Alpha Epsilon**. Preceding the M. U. C. dance which is to be held tomorrow evening in Brooks hall, members of **Sigma Alpha Epsilon** will entertain their guests at a dinner in the Kepler Hotel. Included among the guests will be

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Letter To The Editor

In the **Campus** mailbox the other day we received the following letter from a former Alleghenian, Ralph Davis, '46, in which he enclosed his contribution to the Consolidated War Relief Chest.

When our boys in the service, who are certainly doing their share in the war effort, show such interest in our projects at home, those of us who are fortunate enough to still be on the Allegheny campus should be even more enthusiastic in making our efforts successful and in giving our wholehearted support to them.

The letter is as follows:
"To the **Campus**,

I have received five issues of the **Campus** so far and think it is about time I wrote to thank you. You still in college will never know how much we in service appreciate the **Campus**. I certainly look forward to it every week.

It is rumored that the men from our training group who shipped out tonight are going to Allegheny or at least to colleges in western Pennsylvania. I'm hoping there is still one bed reserved for me in dear old Cafilisch and that I can occupy it soon. We have been expecting to be shipped for the last two weeks, but it may be another month yet. The Air Corps has established a new policy of classifying cadets before they even get to college so we may wash out right here; but I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

We get practically Infantry training in Miami Beach with plenty of drilling and physical training, and now that we've almost completed basic training there is more and more K. P. and guard duty to perform. Another reason why we're in a hurry to ship is the food situation. The fifteen pounds that I've gained are proof that we have plenty, but about five days in seven it's a lot worse than it ever was in Brooks.

The weather is warm with plenty of sunshine, and we've only had two cold days since we've been here.

I've been wondering how many fellows from Allegheny have preceded me in the Sea Isle and Rendale Hotels or the 31st St. Mess Hall. I know Wes Donaldson just left the Sea Isle in August and am hoping he sees this.

I was sorry to read that the freshman girls had taken over the fraternity houses but am glad they are keeping the names and leaving the Poop Deck untouched. Thanks a lot, girls.

Enclosed you will find my contribution to the Consolidated Relief Chest and send my sincerest wishes that it may reach its goal before the end of the year.

Pvt. Ralph Davis, 42022762
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BTC No. 4, AAFETTC
Miami Beach, Fla.

Thanks, Ralph. We appreciate it.

There will be an outing at Bousson this week-end. Please sign up in the girls' gym before Friday noon.

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE

By ROBERTA WAITE

For those of you who had the courage, stamina and curiosity to read the column of the most honorable gentleman from North East in the last issue of the **Campus**, we feel it our duty to inform you that this is our meager attempt to set you right on a few of his witty comments. Now Joe, you understand, is a fine fellow and a peachy dancer BUT he has said some vile things about the class of '47. It was decided at a recent mass meeting of freshmen that Mr. Backus should not be tarred and feathered as originally planned but that he should be reprimanded by means of a daring expose of the true facts in the **Campus**.

Now that our purpose is firmly established in your minds, we will go on to show you that the frosh are not really the innocent little babes-in-the-woods the above-mentioned writer would have you believe. Perhaps the best way is to take a typical freshman and give a reasonable facsimile of his daily routine. It might be proper for us to add that we will deal predominantly with the male species, since we are quite a bit more closely related to them.

At 7:45 happy little '47's alarm clock says a lusty good morning and he tumbles out of bed singing "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning" out of one side of his mouth and muttering several muffled curses about the dormitory heating situation out of the other side. He trots into the closet and puts on a pair of pants, handling them carefully so he won't cut his fingers on the crease, and then dons other necessary clothing accessories. He is very conscious of the fact that he must make a good personal appearance (for he has heard rumors that more than one pair of upperclass trousers has yet to see the inside of the dry cleaning establishment.) Following the dressing routine, young Mr. Forty-Seven goes in and shaves, mainly to better his ego and not his appearance.

The next step in his daily program is a wild dash for the "Brooks Hash House." Forty-Seven finds to his complete disgust that "Rapid Robert" Taylor of "Who's Who" is on his way down the steps to the dining room. He immediately comes to the conclusion that if Mr. Taylor has already entered it is fifteen and one-half minutes after eight and it is a useless task to finish this breakfast mission. So he starts the brief trek to the grill for a cup of coffee and a cigarette, which he intends to call breakfast. He's heard that's what B.M.O.C. do.

Classes then follow. Need we say more? Frankly, yes, since many people are not aware of the fact that freshmen are people of immense intelligence who have mastered the "oh, so tremendous" idea

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SHALL WE CHOOSE OUR CANDIDATE?

Politics, particularly on a nationwide or even global basis, seem far removed from our little college world. Even so, we are already conscious of the coming presidential elections next fall.

The issues before the country are not the purely political controversies of a peace-time election, but go far deeper into the problems of the world. The first consideration is, as the old saying goes, "shall we change horses in mid-stream?" In the midst of carrying on a war—international in scope—shall we choose a new leader with the hope of victory in the near future? This again brings up the fourth term issue which has become almost a laughing matter, but in reality is a question to be considered.

The most important issue, however, is post-war planning. To choose a leader who will have the confidence of his people behind him, skill in international relations and an understanding of the problems which will follow the peace is a momentous and difficult task.

The two major parties will soon be holding their official nominating conventions; names of candidates are already mentioned by the man on the street as well as in high political circles. Even we here on the Allegheny campus take time out once in a while to speculate on the candidates who will be put before the people.

Perhaps you feel that this has little to do with us. Yet some of us are voting now; others will soon be eligible for that privilege. We are the future citizens of America and upon our shoulders will rest the burden of the problems of the coming years.

Consideration is now being given to holding a mock nominating convention on Allegheny campus in the spring. This convention would be one of the largest undertakings ever attempted on Allegheny campus and would entail much detailed work by a large number of enthusiastic students. However, the opportunities afforded us for finding out how our presidential candidates are chosen, of actually participating in such a program and finally of getting the student opinion, would be well worth our effort. This is a matter for everyone to consider carefully before voicing his opinion. If the mock convention is held, the co-operation, interest and enthusiasm of every student will be necessary. M. D., '46

ALLEGHENY COMES THROUGH!

Commendable indeed is the attitude of the Allegheny campus in keeping most of the college traditions during this trying year. This fact was brought home clearly during vacation chats with students of other colleges. Many schools have disbanded a large share of their extra-curricular activities—which make up fifty per cent of college life. Not so at Allegheny. Can you think of any major activity which has been forfeited because of wartime conditions?

The A. U. C. functions powerfully, laying out an extensive undergraduate program. The fraternities are very much in evidence regardless of numerical reduction. Their governing body, the M. U. C., intends to make every effort to keep them active. Many said that freshman customs should be abolished. Enforcement was difficult but the tradition lived. Clubs and organizations have remained intact, even though their officers and personnel have been changing rapidly as more fellows leave for the service.

The athletic department has displayed courage by its decision to continue basketball. Student enthusiasm demanded it. This is the same enthusiasm that sponsored the Consolidated Relief Chest and the War Bond drive. It is hoped it will continue to assert itself with just as much vigor when the Mock Convention rolls around next spring.

So time out for a pat on the back for the students who, rather than say "the best of it," carry on in a typical Allegheny fashion. J. J., '44

NEW BOOKS

by Jean Merrill

There's a new book of plays compiled by Betty Smith, author of the recent best-seller, **A Tree Grows in Brooklyn**. The title is **Twenty Prize-Winning Non-Royalty One-Act Plays**, and it includes the work of such old hands as Maxwell Anderson, Paul Green, Barrett Clark, and Alfred Kreymborg. Miss Smith herself is the author of some seventy published plays and has had a varied and longstanding interest in the theater. All the plays in this collection have been awarded prizes in nationally known contests.

A charming edition of Samuel Butler's **Book of the Machines**, a gift from ex-President Tolley, is on this week's list of new books. Those of you who are familiar with **Erewhon** of which this book is a part, will know that the **Book of the Machines** is a satire on the danger of machines and their potentialities of running away with man.

Earl Conrad has written a story of Harriet Tubman, the stirring biography of one of the greatest negro emancipators in our history. It covers forty-some years on either side of the Civil War and shows the changing attitude toward the black people of our country.

There are five more collections of **Chekhov's Short Stories**—the works of one of the most prolific, as well as one of the best, short story writers of all times. You will like them (1) if you like the Russian writers, (2) if you like Chekhov—and even if you don't like him you should probably read a little of him in the interests of general culture.

MEET THE FACULTY

By HELEN HOUGHTON, '46

Miss Hanson, I have come to the conclusion, should and could write an autobiography in the guise of Cornelia Otis Skinner. She could even best Miss Skinner—with two attempts at Europe to her credit.

Her first attempt was at the age of fifteen when she attended the Lycee at St. Cloud just outside Paris. She couldn't speak a word of French and consequently won that year's prize for good conduct. Her second year she was punished continually for "talking too much." She came home after two years, and had a terrible time convincing Washington university that she was not too young to start college and that her sojourn in France had not deprived her of the ability to speak the English language. After Washington she went to the University of Wisconsin for her Ph.D.

But then the summer of '38 rolled around—along with another chance at Europe; this time with a determination to find some excitement. As an appetizer she was severely reprimanded by one of Mussolini's pet guards for taking pictures inside the Pantheon. From there she progressed to the Vatican and the hand of the law reached out again. One of the Pope's guards refused to admit her on the grandiose charge of "no stockings." He attempted to prove his point and nursed a sore hand for several days from Miss Hanson's sturdy walking shoes. War clouds started drifting over Europe by the end of August and she booked passage for home. The law wasn't through with Miss Hanson yet, however. Running to catch her boat, she was arrested by a tough-looking policeman. Visions of languishing in jail when college began caused some marvelous extemporaneous persuasion but she wasn't released until proven to be an American citizen. The charge? Jaywalking!

Even Miss Hanson's early life could vie with Cornelia Otis Skinner's. Her father, a zoology teacher, raised her along with his mice, rabbits and drosophilos. She followed in his footsteps for a while, trying to raise an ant colony in the house. The ants walked out one day and have not been heard from since. Not at all daunted, she brought home what looked like an empty mud dauber's house (hornets' nest for the uninformed) and stuck it away in a deserted closet. The following spring Mrs. Hanson opened the door, and a Fibber McGee and Molly avalanche came buzzing out. Needless to say Miss Hanson soon decided zoology was not her line. She was going to teach, though (from the ripe old age of five she had known that) and French was her next choice.

Then came Europe, college and Europe again, until the fall of '39 brought her to Allegheny. For the last few years nothing very exciting has happened. She was the star of a student-faculty baseball game when she hit a home run, but was so fascinated she forgot to run home. Then, with Miss Ludwig and Dr. Kalfayan, she had a race in Montgomery field one snowy winter day, and the headlines in the next **Campus** read "KALFAYAN RUNS FROM BLONDES."

When the war is over, Miss Hanson wants to teach and write during the fall (she already has had poems and articles published by well-known magazines) and to spend her vacations in Europe. She has a wandering streak, you see; she doesn't like to stay put. It's probably inherited from her grandmother, who ran away from home at the age of sixteen. Miss Hanson idly mentioned the other day that it's "very tranquil here now," so maybe that wandering bug is about to bite. We only hope that she'll continue to come back every fall.

Gator Squad Ready for Action

Allegheny's war-time basketball squad is in the midst of its third week of intensive practice. With an original turnout of about 19 hopeful sharpshooters, the team has gradually been reduced to its present status of 13 men, a number which bodes no good—for the opposition.

As for this week, head coach Way has relinquished coaching reins to Bob Garbark who will guide the fortunes of the blue and gold for the remainder of the current campaign. Mr. Garbark has been a per-



BOB GARBARK

manent member of the college faculty since last spring when he definitely decided to leave professional baseball. Since that time he has devoted most of his energies to his work in connection with the air cadets' physical conditioning program.

Mr. H. P. Way, director of athletics, has letters out to various colleges in an effort to draw up a schedule for the forth-coming season. In this matter of selecting the opposition he has had to take into consideration not only the problem of distance and transportation, but also the choosing of schools with teams of relatively the same calibre since so many colleges are now stacked with men in navy or marine college training programs. Schools in the present correspondence include Westminster, Carnegie Tech, Pitt, Hiram, Grove City, Alliance and West Virginia.

In its only brief appearance in competition this year, the Gator five more than subdued a brave, but futile aggregation which climbed the hill from Meadville high last week to engage the college boys in a pre-season practice game. Although no official score was kept and no strict time-limits observed, the Allegheny men were far ahead of their schoolboy opponents during the entire scrimmage. Both teams substituted frequently with the respective coaches seeking prospective winning combinations. The high school squad numbered about 20 and was under the guidance of Mr. Harry Dennison, head coach of Meadville High and an ex-Allegheny man.

A twenty-five dollar United States War Bond is being offered by Campus Comments, student newspaper, for the best editorial submitted to it suggesting how Mary Baldwin college girls can further participate in the war effort.

THE WOMAN'S SIDE

By SHIRLEY McDONALD

Most recent of the organizations sponsored by the girls' physical education department is **Orchosis**, a modern dance club. It meets every Tuesday and Thursday in Brooks gym at 4:30 p. m. under the direction of Miss Mary Morison. It's still not too late to join and no experience in modern dance is needed to become a member.

There's a free swimming period every Tuesday night at 7:30 for Allegheny women students in the Montgomery pool. This is the time to practice those strokes, play water games, or just swim for the sheer fun of it, so grab your suit and come along.

It's time to sign up for the ping pong tournament. A sheet for that purpose is on one of the new bulletin boards in Brooks gym. Games will begin next week, so watch for the schedule.

The volley ball tournament got under way Tuesday night with Phi Gam house conquering Beebe in the first game by a score of 32-25. Alpha Xi's then stooped to the Thetas, 48-22, and the Kappas triumphed over the Alpha Chis, 49-20. The games are being refereed by students with the help of Miss Dorothy Deach of the physical education department. Tuesday's referees were Millie Shurtleff, '45; Ginny Chester, '44; and Phil Campbell, '45. Ellen Wiggins, '46, and Ruth Forrester, '44, were time keepers, while Joan Reilly, '46; Bunny Caldwell, '46; Ruth Dahl, '45, and Ginny Douglas, '46, kept score.

THE SOCIAL WHIRL

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Mr. and Mrs. John Werle and Mr. Ogilvie.

Paul Beaver, Jim Rhinesmith, Allen Chambers, and Edgar Ferguson represented the Beta Chi chapter of Theta Chi at the annual regional Corral. Beta Nu of Theta Chi at Case School of Applied Sciences was host to the various chapters at the conference held on November 27 and 28. The program was highlighted by discussion of the fraternity situation during the war and of the particular problems of the various chapters represented. The most important social event was a turkey banquet followed by a dance.

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AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



High on a Tunisian cliff a Free French soldier lay wounded. A litter squad started up. Enemy bullets spatted against the cliff. The squad went on. In a whining hail of lead they brought their ally down. For that exploit Staff Sergeant Roy L. Bates of Fairfield, Ill., and Privates Hobert Branscum of Delta, Ky., Anthony P. Coll of Johnstown, Pa., and William B. Griffin of Sylvestor, Texas, won Silver Stars. They deserve your War Bond backing.

U. S. Treasury Department

College Women Needed By WAC

Although only two years of high school education are required for membership in the Women's Army Corps, more than half of the WACs now enrolled are high school graduates and approximately one-fourth have attended college, according to statistics released today by Capt. Regina M. Hill, Western Pennsylvania commander of the WAC, with offices on the third floor of Jenkins Arcade in Pittsburgh. Several members of the Corps hold graduate degrees from American and European universities in law, arts, and sciences.

The WAC needs college women

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE

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that college is a place for knowledge. Now, what will we play?

Forty-Seven is famished by 11:45 a. m. but manages to keep his tongue in his mouth so that people will not mistake him for one of seven or eight frustrated upperclassmen.

The afternoon is the time Forty-Seven really enjoys. He whiles it away with a few games of bridge and an hour or two of sleep.

Evening—ah—a time for study and DATES. Dates, you know, are stuff you go out on to find out how things at dear old Allegheny used to be. Indeed, for the Rustic Bridge is just a short cut to the S.A.E. house, we have heard.

Most of this filler has consisted of a rambling dissertation on a freshman man and probably makes Mr. Backus more convinced. As for the gals of the class of '47, there are Ronie, Pat, Susie, Alice, Jo, M. J., Monk, Virgie, etc., who speak ably for themselves. (Notice, men: they're terrific minus the dinks.)

Note from the Ed:

This column is an answer to Joe Backus' comments on our class of '47. The three co-editors call themselves "The Men in the Den." I'm not quite sure what they're proving, but at least we know how all six freshmen men spend their time.

to perform many of the 155 specialized jobs in the Army now taken over by the Women's Army Corps, such as laboratory technician, medical technician, foreign-language interpreter, geodetic computer, draftsman, meteorologist, statistician and dietitian.

Qualified women from 20 to 50 may now be assigned on request directly to the Army Air Forces to work in air installations both in this country and abroad. These Air-WACs help keep 'em flying by doing many diversified and vital jobs, including air mechanic, communications chief, cartographer, Link trainer operator, photographer, control tower operator, stenographer and clerk. Complete information is available at all WAC recruiting offices.

College women are eligible for commissions in personnel, public relations and many other responsible administrative offices requiring education beyond the high school level, or the equivalent in experience.

Student solicitors, headed by Jim Hurst, '46, will canvas dormitories next week to sell fire insurance on personal possessions. The cost is fifty cents for each one hundred dollars' worth of protection. Certificates, stating the amount of insurance purchased will be sent, by the Gelvin, Jackson & Starr Insurance Company, to each student who signs up.

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South America Topic Discussed At Spanish Club

South America was the topic of discussion at the Spanish club meeting, Tuesday evening, November 23.

Dr. Paul Giddens spoke on his trip to the west coast of America, relating some of his experiences and telling about the countries and their inhabitants. John Hutchins, who graduated from Allegheny in 1941, then discussed his experiences in Brazil. Mr. Hutchins, whose home is in Erie, also attended the Fletcher School of Diplomacy and Law and the University of Brazil in Rio de Janeiro and did research work at Sao Paulo. He will return to Sao Paulo in a few months to take up diplomatic work. In addition to his speech, Mr. Hutchins played some popular Brazilian dance records and demonstrated the Samba, at present the best-liked dance in this section of South America. Following these speeches, a general discussion was held and refreshments were served.

Outing Club Square Dance Was Big Success

"And a good time was had by all" might well be said of the square dance sponsored by the Outing club for Heelers and Outers on the evening of November 19. Approximately 80 students and cadets were in Brooks gym "hoeing it down," while two little boys strummed guitars and a third played his fiddle.

After the dainty Virginia reel, a war whooping Indian circle dance, a drunken schottische, and several others, large glasses of cider were welcomed by the participants.

The Outers are making plans for another square dance to follow in the near future.

ACC Sponsored Annual Service For Thanksgiving

The annual Thanksgiving worship service under the direction of Aubrey Crawford, '45, was presented by the Allegheny Christian Council in the chapel on Sunday morning, November 21.

The call to worship and a poem, "Inventory," were given by Louise Schweitzer, '44; a sermonette, "Eternal Life," was read by Jane Hahne, '44; and Fred Sturm, '47, led the prayer and the responsive reading. Special music was provided by a student chorus with Paul Beaver at the organ.

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By JOAN HEXTER

Just a short letter to inform you of my change of address, or rather change of college. I am now in the U. of Illinois, transferring here from Syracuse U. the first of the month. I'm still in the A.S.T.P. engineering program.

This is the largest school that I have ever seen. Allegheny could use some of the excess buildings that they have here. It takes me only twenty minutes to walk from my English class to a physics lecture. I haven't seen all of it as yet, for I haven't been able to walk far enough. Still, I'll take Allegheny's campus any day. There is very little school spirit here. There are only 20,000 students, so I doubt if they even know who they go to school with.

I'm living in the Alpha Gamma Rho house only eight blocks from the campus. They have a good many Greek letter houses, all of which are very large and beautiful. From my window I can see the new Illinois stadium, which is a huge place.

All I hope is that you are treating the soldiers there in school as well as I am being treated here.

Your Campus makes me glad that I attended Allegheny, and there are a real bunch of students still there.

Pvt. Neil Barnes
Co. 5 Bar 5 ASTP
Armory: Uni. of Ill.
Champaign, Illinois

I suppose that you are sort of flooded with these letters and you probably have a hard time keeping up with the boys in the service. I get my issue of the paper every week and enjoy reading it very much.

I enlisted in the cadets after I left Allegheny and went through all the regular training, and am now at Nashville for classification. Met Dick Kahl when I first came here and he and I were both very glad to see each other.

Not much else to say except thanks a million for the Campus, and keep them coming.
A/S RICHARD BURGART
SQDN. C-3
AAFCC NAAC
NASHVILLE, TENN.

I have just received your first issue of the Campus. It has been quite some time since I received an issue, and I was very glad to hear from and about Allegheny once again. There seems to have been a great deal of change on the campus as was easily noticeable from the news. What with changes in the names of fraternity houses one could easily get lost.

I noticed the column called STARS AND STRIPES, and decided to write a few words. I appreciate hearing about Allegheny through the literature sent out, for, as always, I usually begin reminiscing in my spare time. Spare time means all the time not spent on the line, servicing the armament on B-24 planes, acting in the capacity of an aircraft armorer here at Biggs Field. I have had this job ever since I came into the army, some eighteen months ago.

In that time I have met but two former Alleghenians. The first was Marian Mumford at Denver, Colorado, at a benefit golf tournament starring Bob Hope and Bing Crosby. It was a real treat. The other person was Lt. Red Bauder, a flying officer, who was grounded at the time at Salt Lake City. It was just like old times, and before I could check myself, I remember greeting him with that old "Hi, Red." He smiled and we shook hands. It was a moment I will remember for some time.

Working as a member of the ground crew seems to be an important job, not very colorful at times, however. I have been stationed here in the southwest part of the country for over a year now. The most interesting event one can see in this part of the country is the bullfight. It is the sport of the Mexicans. However, I'll take good old football or basketball.

Enough for now. Keep the Campus coming and any other literature concerning Allegheny.
SGT. JOSEPH M. NASTA
459th BOMBER SQDN
BIGGS AIR FIELD
EL PASO, TEXAS

This seems to be the place where one expresses his thanks for his first copy of the Campus and hope it keeps on coming. I read mine today as I waited for my instructor. It carried me back to the green campus and brought fresh to mind many unforgettable memories. It's been a long time since I've been there, but I expect to be back to the campus with my Navy wings and Marine Corps commission, soon. (I hope

I'm not too optimistic!) It's been a long grind, but is nearing the end. Till I can thank all of you in person I remain a loyal reader.
A/C James "Pep" Martin
Class 9E-43P-(C) USNAS
% Flight Brigade
Pensacola, Florida.

Just want to thank you for the Campus. I appreciate it very much for it's so nice to keep in touch with one's pre-war life. Am starting my eighth month in Philly, and am really fond of my assignment. Have seen one or two former classmates here, so I know I'm still on familiar ground.
Ens. CATHERINE REYNOLDS
259 S. 46th ST.
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

I've been receiving the Campus quite regularly, although it has been arriving late. The fault is my own, so I thought I'd write and give you my address so that I can receive Allegheny news while it's still hot. Going to radio school has kept me moving quite a bit.
PFC. S. M. De Santis
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Truax Field
Madison, 7, WIS.

The Poets' Corner

Last Sunday morning while recuperating from the night before, one of my roommates and I came across some of the past issues of the Campus that I had among my belongings. One article in "Stars and Stripes" especially interested us. That is to say, a dissertation on Texas women by a former classmate who is now abiding in that state under the jurisdiction of Uncle Sam. My bunkmate, being a true Virginian, greatly disagreed with the opinion. Together, we composed the following, a challenge to the boys stationed in Texas:

Of dire importance
Is the question, we know,
And so far its standing
Is Status Quo.

In our union
Composed of forty-eight states,
Which blossoms the women
Of most perfect traits?

Now the great "Lone Star"
Has a point, we will grant,
But Virginia was the seed
Forerunning this plant.

"Our looks are superb,"
The Texans would say,
"And also our charm
Which we often display."

Virginia retaliates,
"Hospitality ranks,
And we aren't as coy
With our girlish pranks."

"We, too, have an accent
They claim is quite cunning.
While in our affairs,
We keep the men running."

"We'll boost the morale
Of Uncle Sam's men,
And all remain true,
Through to the end."

"So let's call a halt
While all's still well,
And we'll cast our vote
For the Virginia Belle."

Frankly, the home-town girl is still the only one with most of the young men down here. However, we do have to release ourselves from the "Navy way" once in a while. The corny composition above is one strive toward diversion.

Paul McGrew, A/S USNR
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(If and when inspiration strikes again, don't forget to write it down.)

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