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Cooks Awarded Honors Signal Corps Contact

The boys really showed the girls they could make some woman "a good wife," when they prepared supper for the girls at the Cafeteria staff party recently.

After an afternoon of bowling which the scores ranged from 143 to 27, the girls thought they were going to have a delightful time giggling as the boys took over the kitchen.

Corwin Skinner made coffee in the Silex, but he's still wondering why the coffee was up in the top. Corwin also rescued some chrysanthemums and made a centerpiece. Ralph Gilpin and Roger Knack pushed a few tables together and when they had finished, it looked as if there would not be any room for food. But it looked so well in the candlelight, Mrs. Jordan thought somebody should have taken a picture of it.

Johnny Orr proved capable with a knife in carving up carrots for the salad. He also was careful with the steaks.

Harry Silverman was always getting up from the table to stick a toothpick in the cake, which he and Dan Gonska baked, to see if it was done.

Milk, cider, lima beans, potato chips, and ice cream were also on the menu.

After supper Miss Todd acted as M. C. as everybody was requested to give a little speech.

The eight girls who were so fortunate to have such a delicious home-cooked meal are anxious to show the boys how well they can prepare a meal for the boys.

Peace Sans Prejudices

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said recently: "We will never have the kind of peace we hope for" until prejudices are put aside so that peoples of all races, religions and color may live in harmony.

At a meeting opening a fund campaign for the Colored Orphan Asylum of Riverdale, the President's wife said: "I think gradually we will come to look upon all people as human beings and so be on the way to following the pattern set by Christ—the pattern of love our lives in kindness to others, and to begin this with children. Persons of all ages need to feel that they belong—that they belong entirely. Unless we learn to live in harmony with people of different races, of different religions, and different color, we will never have the kind of peace we hope for."

MATTHEW 6:19

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal.

Buy Bonds for Christmas

November 24, 1943

DEAR MR. MORRISCOCK:
I began school again this fall only in a slightly different fashion. Last fall I was dressed in civilian clothes and this year in olive drab.

I'm in the Eastern Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, N. J., taking training in telephone installation and repair. It seems as though the Signal Corps has all the radio men needed, therefore the training we had at the U of R didn't help to a great extent. But I certainly don't regret taking this training and more so the training I had at Mechanics. It certainly is coming in handy now. Telephone is mighty interesting and I'm enjoying every bit of it. But seeing I got this far I'm making application for assignment to the Air Corps as a pre-aviation cadet. If I can get through this training with high grades I'm going to take a "crack" at becoming a communications officer. This is quite a goal to set up before I even have my application in but I'm willing to try anything once.

To complete my papers I'll need three letters of recommendation. I'll appreciate it very much if you will send me one as soon as possible.

I miss the old school but have hopes of being back sometime in the near future. I've heard from a couple of the boys that were in my class. They are Marvin Trott and Eldred Aubrey. They're both in the Army Specialized Training Program but at present are taking basic training with the Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Please say, "Hello" to Mr. Tuites for me.

Yours very sincerely,
ANGELO V. PALERMO

Santa's Helpers

The Retailing Department is really doing its share this year to help make this Christmas a very merry one.

One hundred and fifteen students are working in stores as sales girls, and, who knows, one of them might be selling some one a Christmas gift that is intended for you.

This is a great help to the department stores who, this year especially, are facing a serious labor shortage.

The girls are working not only in the Rochester stores, but also in Syracuse, New York, Buffalo, and Elmira.

Mr. Koch, of the Retailing faculty, is in one of the Gift Departments at Sibley's, and Mrs. Mohlenhoff, also of the Faculty, is service supervisor for one of the floors at Edward's.

"This is surely 'making hay' in Yuletide, cooperatively, and for our grand old Alma Mater.



Photo by Remond L. Keaton

Pledges Shine Shoes To Regain Fraternal Good-Will

Two student pledges, William Jones, of the Publishing and Printing Department, and Robert Speck, of the Photo Tech Department, were sentenced to the arduous labor of polishing nineteen pairs of shoes for the members of Chi Delta Phi Fraternity, while the Committee scrutinized each detail.

This penalty was imposed on the two pledges when the Committee on Credentials unexpectedly invaded the sanctum sanctorum of the uninitiated brothers, and found them guilty of infractions of the rules previously clarified to them for guidance and observance.

One hour was granted to complete the imposition of this penance, but in the process, eight pairs of shoes were judged as unfit, and had to be thoroughly reshined to satisfy the cynical committee.

After wearing their pledge yellow ties for two weeks, which made these students rather conspicuous in these halls of learning, it was apparent that these recalcitrant pledges saw yellow—or was it red—after this menial ordeal.

As further punishment for their unsocial fraternal conduct, they have been convicted of malfeasance and a penalty imposed to wear a coarse burlap sack undershirt for one day. Boy, oh boy, cooties and red underwear never itched so much!

Cultural Assemblies IN MEMORIAM

RAMI WOMEN ASSEMBLE

The RAMI Faculty Women's Music Group will harmonize at the home of Mrs. Herman Martin, 285 Highland Avenue, at 1:30 P.M., Tuesday, December 14.

FACULTY FORUM CONVENE

The Faculty Forum Group will assemble at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Colton, 86 Wyndham Road, at 6:30 P.M., Sunday, December 12. Mmes. Cyril Donaldson and J. F. Sorace, assisting.

BIG PRINT SHOP INVESTED

The students of the Publishing and Printing Department, led by Instructor Sorace, explored the Lawyers Co-op. Publishing Company, from collar to garter, to ferret out the intricate ramifications of craftsmanship.

Mrs. Helen I. Brehm, wife of F. W. Brehm, a member of the Faculty of the Department of Photographic Technology since 1930, passed away from a heart attack at their home, 52 Highland Avenue, Thursday, December 2nd.

Until her health began to fail about a year ago, Mrs. Brehm was a regular attendant at Photo-Tech picnics and the Senior Banquet, and there must be many Photo-Techs who remember her quiet, cheerful face and keen sense of humor.

She took particular delight in "the enjoyment which Fred gets out of these times with the boys."

Mrs. Brehm had no near relatives and is survived only by her husband, to whom the PSIMAR extends its deepest sympathy.

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DELINQUENCY IS CAUSING ALARM

An attack on juvenile delinquency, which aims through the formation of neighborhood groups to place the problem on the "very doorsteps of the people", has been launched by the Association of New York State Young Republican Clubs, Inc.

Presidents of some of the Association's 150 affiliated clubs throughout the state already have pledged their units to take the lead in organization of community delinquency committees composed of prominent citizens and representatives of social agencies and law enforcement groups. Many social, religious and civic groups are expected to join shortly.

The program is designed to "occupy the leisure time" of youngsters and to force parents to realize "their obligations in wiping out delinquency."

After the organization of the community committees, neighborhood leaders will be designated to form clubs "attractive" to young people and of a type to interest juveniles in participation in sports, stamp collecting, model airplane building and other hobbies.

J. Edgar Hoover is recommending the establishment of community playgrounds, properly supervised, as an outlet for the energy of youth and a means of keeping the juveniles occupied in wholesome surroundings amid cultural proclivities.

Children have access to more money and leisure these days. "Idleness is the devil's workshop," is a trite assertion, but it is for educators and educational institutions to assume leadership in preventing the spread of this alarming situation, and thus avoid the costly and ineffective medium of penal and correctional institutions to eradicate this danger of delinquency and criminality.

The spotlight of publicity has been trained on juvenile derelictions which are caused by the upsetting of family life, the loosening of discipline at home and the nervous tension of wartime.

There is increasing realization that the youth of today will be the citizens of tomorrow and that the impairment of ideals and standards of conduct now may mean grave difficulties a decade or two hence. In order that the democracy which men are fighting for today may not be lost a few years later, it seems clear that disciplinary methods must be found to give

to youngsters of 'teen age a sense of responsibility which will act as a balance wheel to control runaway emotions and direct overflowing energy into useful channels.

Most children are not inherently bad, notwithstanding the alarming statements of calamity prophets.

For the survival of the fittest and the preservation of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, the recommendations of Representative James W. Wadsworth are most apropos—one year of military training for physical fitness, discipline, and understanding.

BE MAGNANIMOUS

A great mind is not easily piqued, nettled or provoked into playing the childish game of tit-for-tat.

It has been said of Henry Ward Beecher, that one wanted a favor from him, then kick him.

A contemporary of Beecher's—Lincoln—had the quality in extraordinary degree, yet despite the humility of these great men, it has been said that they were great rulers of men.

While most vindictive people are constantly snooping and sniping, and always have it in for the enemies, some vent their spleen on rivals and peers.

Here also is where the great mind shines, ascribes merit willingly and publicly to other folks engaged in similar endeavors. There is no pusillanimity.

A vengeful, spiteful person deliberately opens himself to his enemies. By his distorted machinations and vengeance of spirit, he grants them the power to hurt him; a power they could not exercise otherwise.

Beecher was magnanimous because he loved his enemies into friends. Defining the word, it implies its own interpretation—magnus, great; animus, mind—great mind!

It is plain common sense: it is understanding and fraternity—to love your enemies and pray for them that despitefully use you.

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Retentive Wealth

Knowledge cannot be stolen from us. It cannot be bought or sold. We may be poor, and the sheriff may come and sell our furniture, or drive away our cow, or take our pet lamb, and leave us homeless and penniless; but he cannot lay the lace's hand upon the jewelry of our minds.—Burritt

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- " 3—Electrical
- " 4—Publishing and Printing
- January 20—7:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Electrical
- " 2—Faculty
- " 3—Mechanical I
- " 4—Publishing and Printing
- January 20—9:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Mechanical III
- " 2—Mechanical I
- " 3—Faculty
- " 4—Publishing and Printing
- January 27—7:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Electrical
- " 2—Mechanical I
- " 3—Faculty
- " 4—Publishing and Printing
- January 27—9:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Publishing and Printing
- " 2—Mechanical III
- " 3—Electrical
- " 4—Faculty
- February 3—7:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Electrical
- " 2—Faculty
- " 3—Mechanical I
- " 4—Mechanical III
- February 3—9:00 P. M.
- Alley 1—Publishing and Printing
- " 2—Mechanical III
- " 3—Electrical
- " 4—Mechanical I

Blind score for missing player is 100 pins.
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Teams will bowl a complete game on one alley and then shift.
At least three men must bowl for a team game score to count.
Player cannot start a game after the third frame has been completed by either team, unless arrangements have been made ahead of time for his tardiness.
Games to start no later than 10 minutes after scheduled time.
First four teams in the league at the end of the season to play each other for the championship on February 10th.
There is a small charge of 5 cents per game per player to assist in paying the pin boys. Please bring change each night.

Uncle Joe and I have always said that the proofreader's job is the toughest in either a job shop or a newspaper office. But pity the Federal boys and girls handling the mail that comes in from mothers and wives of men in service who write in for information regarding allotments. Here are a few authentic samples:

My husband has worked on shift for about two months and now he lift me and I ain't had no pay since he has gone or before either.

Please send my allotment, as I have a 4-month old baby and he is my only support and I need all I can get every day to buy food and keep him in close.

Both sides of my parents is poor and I can't expect nothing from them as my mother has been in bed for one year with the same doctor and won't change.

Please send my wife's form to fill out.
Please send me a letter and tell me if my husband has made application for a wife and baby.

I can't get my sick pay I got six children. Can you tell me what this is.
Sir, I am forwarding my marriage certificate and my two children. One is a mistake as you can see.

I have already had no clothing for a year and have been regularly visited by the clergy.

I have already wrote the President and if I don't hear from you I will write and tell Uncle Sam about you both.

This is my eighth child. What are you going to do about it?

Please find out for certain if my husband is dead as the man I am going with won't eat or anything, until he nose for sure.

In answer to your letter, I give birth to a boy weight 10 lbs. I hope this is satisfactory.

You changed my boy to a girl. Does this make any difference.
In accordance with your instructions I have given birth to twins in the enclosed envelope.

I am told my husband sets in the YMCA every night with the piano playing in his uniform. I think you will find him there.

ALL MUST BE EQUAL

There can be no equal rights where there are no equal duties; there can be no equal privileges where there are no equal opportunities; there can be no equal authority where there is no equal responsibility.—Wm. J. H. Beekley.

DEAR "ED":
There were grand doings at the Sagamore Hotel, just recently. At that time Delta Omicron formally pledged Marilyn Harmon, Jessie Liebeck, Marian Long, and Betty Rooster. Miss Pauline Todd of the Faculty was pledged as honorary member.

The formal pledge was given to the new members by the acting vice-president, Louise Schermerhorn.

Members attending were Mrs. Karker, sorority adviser; Miss Mohlenoff, an honorary member; Mary Agnes Bayer, Joyce Doolittle, Mae Holdridge, Janet Jackson, Evelyn Parker, Marjorie Peters, Jean Powers, Louise Schermerhorn, Doris Taylor, Catherine Yurkiv. Sincerely,
DELTA OMICRON

Typo's Yule Banquet

The members of the Etann Shingtu (Pi) Club will hold their Christmas Party at the Hotel Rochester, December 8.

A bounteous turkey dinner will be served at 6 o'clock, after which gifts will be awarded by Adviser Joseph F. Sorace.

A surprise entertainment program has been arranged with subsequent group singing of Christmas Carols, with A. Muriel Sorace at the piano.

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Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross, Director of the Mint, requests the conservation of pennies because of the scarcity of material.

The Mint has had much difficulty in obtaining material for the one-cent piece because the strategic metals which compose it are an imperative necessity in the manufacture of bombers, tanks, rifles, and other weapons.

In the last three years nearly 10,000 tons of metal have gone into the making of the one-cent piece alone, or three billion pieces.

This scarcity is caused by the hoarding by youngsters in jars, penny banks, etc. and are restricted from circulation. So help the flow of pennies, especially during the holiday season.

Education

Education has now become the chief problem of the world, its one holy cause. The nations that see this will survive, and those that fail to do so will slowly perish. . . . There must be re-education of the will and of the heart as well as of the intellect, and the ideals of service must supplant those of selfishness and greed.—G. STANLEY HALL

The Art Corner



EMASCULATE THE MASK
BY SHIRLEY MANHART

It has always seemed to me that the mask is more than just a disguise, a false face. A mask; stick of buckram, carved wood, stuck together odds and ends, as it will may be, is an independent creature, a person separate from its wearer.

Time was, and in some parts of the world still is, when a mask was a god, or at the very least a demon to be propitiated, and its wearer, not only the recipient of its gifts but the goat for its failures. If a ju-ju mask, supposed to bring rain, does not perform this function, it is the wearer thereof who suffers, not the mask itself, though it too may be in disgrace for a while, or even supplanted by a new false face.

A mask need not be worn to be a mask, the totem pole is a mask; or it need not even be the customary shape of the human head.

In New Ireland a sort of hollow totem pole of black, red, blue, and white carvings may be instantly recognized by a native as poor dear departed Uncle John, or Aunt Agatha, as the case may be.

Supply and demand, those two economic totoms, are regulated in Papua, and other places, by the mask. The sawfish mask, of Papua, when regarded with proper ceremony, will cause the sawfish to be caught in large numbers. No charts, no graphs, no national bank; what could be simpler?

When the citizen of Ceylon has appendicitis or the Barber's Itch, does he worry? Nonsense! He just calls in the local medical man and has him apply the proper mask in doses of two or three hours of gyrations and noise-making. The entertainment value received is almost worth being sick in the first place. If, however, the Singhalese specialist doesn't quite know what's the matter he'll just apply his cure-all mask which will do the job on anything that can possibly all you.

So don't make loose remarks in the presence of masks, they're liable to resent it.



BUY UNCLE SAM WAR BONDS

CLARK UNION SPEAKS Postwar Plastic Soles

Hi, Gang, well, here I am again, ready to give you all the "dirt", and otherwise.

Say, have you heard the new records my House Committee bought for me? They're a little bit of "all root". I'm not going to tell you the names of them, so you'll have to come over and play them if you want to know what they are.

I see that Chi Delta Phi is still holding its initiations. They were here last Tuesday night, barefoot, and with their clothes on inside out. Wonder what went on behind those closed doors! I heard something about merits and demerits, but that's all.

By the way, do you know which one of the pledges, initials B. B., asked a certain blonde, who sang at a certain function held at school lately, to go out? I do.

I'm very pleased to see the Signal Corps boys here so often. It's really nice of them to come and it's swell to see someone here at night. Wonder what's become of J. P. lately? I haven't seen him around so much.

Do you know that I'm open from 3:45 P.M. until 5:15 P.M. every day? From the look of things here, between those hours, I darsay you don't. Come on over for a smoke or to dance, read or play. It'll do you good to relax after classes and before you start on your homework.

Mrs. George Clark was an interested visitor last week. We appreciate her thinking of us.

Now, I'm going to let you in on the big surprise that I've been keeping a dark secret.

We are going to hold a Record Dance here on Wednesday, December 15, from 7 until 10 P.M. The admission will be ten cents per person, and refreshments will be served. Come on, fellas and gals, let's commingle your Yuletide Spirit, and come all out for this super-colossal affair.

Hm-m-m, let me see; is there anything else that I may have forgotten to tell you?

Oh, yes! "Vince" Palozzi was in school last week, visiting. He sends his love to all.

I guess that's all there is to tell, but, before I go, let me wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and don't forget the Record Dance on Wednesday, December 15. See you next year. Au revoir!



Aside from limitation of new styles and patterns, restricted under M-217, nothing has created more interest in the shoe industry than soles. The availability of leather for soles, the types of materials which can be used as alternatives to leather, how such materials should be worked, have over the past year been a topic of much excitement in the shoe industry.

For spring, 1944, there are at least some materials of which make shoe soles which give promise of working out satisfactorily from the manufacturer's angle, a facility in construction and from the retailers' angle of good appearance, and from the customer's angle of long wear. Plastics, for instance, in many of their various derivatives of the vinyl resin types, it is claimed, actually outlast leather soles; they are, however, worked better with the stitched processes than with the cemented constructions. Plastic laminations with canvas are other choices. One type of canvas, also is highly thought of.

Although most of these soles require priority materials which limits their volume to a point where they cannot replace the leather soles needed, it is expected that postwar developments, even when they are no longer needed as replacement for leather, will be so radically improved that they will contribute a whole new group to the shoe industry.

PROVERBS 14:11

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