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Paul V. McNutt

chairman of the War Manpower Commission, wants to see the liberal arts colleges preserved, but added, in testimony before the House Military Affairs Committee last week, that every college in war-time must be able to "justify its own existence."

McNutt told the Committee—which is investigating war-time college education—that he wanted to see every one of America's 1,700 colleges utilized in the war effort, but that under the present Army-Navy plan for training men in the colleges only about 500 institutions would be included. McNutt stated that his plan which aims at using all colleges for training necessary civilian as well as military personnel would soon be presented to Congress.

Bringing the Committee up to date on the workings of the Army-Navy plan, McNutt read his previously undisclosed order outlining the method by which colleges are to be selected.

The order provides that a joint Army-Navy-WMC committee will select the colleges by unanimous consent of its members. The colleges will be chosen on the basis of "their available administrative and instructional facilities including staff, library, laboratories and equipment, as well as on the basis of housing, messing, and recreational facilities." As many colleges as possible will be used, "not omitting the smaller institutions," and taking geographical distribution into consideration. Liberal arts and non-technical institutions will be used primarily for basic training. The fact that a college has a Reserve Officer's Training Corps or other Army and Navy programs already in operation will be given "due consideration."

McNutt disclosed that the Army intends to use colleges which can accommodate as few as 250 students, while Navy units will be about 400 men as a minimum.

Figures presented to the Military Affairs Committee by Army officials at an earlier hearing showed that approximately 37,000 WAACs would get college training indicating that the women's colleges will not be excluded from government contracts.

Questioned by Congressmen who were relaying the doubts of their college-age constituents, McNutt stated that all young men should be advised to stay in college until called. Young men should take "advantage of every chance they have to get as much of college as possible," McNutt said.

Recently quite

a number of interesting chapel programs have been presented in our morning assembly. And even for something that's required, let me say "it's fun." If you'll just listen and be as attentive as you are at, say, maybe a movie, you'll enjoy what is offered.

Not only skits and pantomimes have been presented, but also very appropriate speakers. Mr. Baen Chu, one of the outstanding leaders of the Chinese Student Christian Movement, addressed the assembly on Monday 8, his topic centering around the place of the student in the world situation today. What he said about the conditions of Chinese students like ourselves hit home to many of us—suppose it were we who were standing outside a cafe, waiting to pick up the crumbs that some customer had left on his plate.

Dr. Herring, leader in our Religious Emphasis Week, as also been presented in a number of thought-provoking chapel talks. So many of us have seemed to think that this is an age where there is only pessimism for us youth. But Dr. Herring has interpreted the life of Christ in such a way that many of us have come to believe anew and to revive our enthusiasm for living a more Christ-like life. He has given us new hope, because we are, indeed, a favored generation.

Musical programs, too, have been inspirational while giving us opportunities to learn to love music of the highest type. Our own organizations, clubs, and pro-

Juniors Plan Banquet

If you are beginning to wonder why all those juniors are rushing from morning 'til night, it's because they're working for the best banquet ever. Under the efficient leadership of Virginia Ayers, it seems that the seniors really have something in store.

This year the banquet will be February 20, from 7:30 to 11 o'clock. It is to be held during these hours because of transportation difficulties.

The entertainment for the banquet will be furnished by Meredith students and it seems as though many hidden talents are being revealed. Even the freshmen have assured their big sisters that they will furnish something very entertaining and delightful.

A committee has been appointed to reserve tables for those who want to sit in special groups.

Can you think of anything more exciting than the '43 Junior-Senior? So come on juniors and seniors, let's pack the dining hall!

Purely personal

Dear St. Valentine:

Since your last visit here, my darts have pierced many hearts of the Meredith lassies. If you don't believe it, just take a look at all the rings on the campus (and off). Most of the Meredith girls deserve a box of candy or roses, 'cause they've been real good targets for my wandering arrows.

Vinita Penland, "Ken" really take the Marines for a ride—wish you all could have seen her Sunday.

And Willie Barger's frat pin doesn't mean friendship either—I don't believe. When Judy went to lunch recently she scurried out to meet "Thad" marine who incidentally left a neat pair of wings as a parting gift. Oh, these Lieutenants!

Doris Woody Jones seems to enjoy art these days. Just ask her why and wherefore. Don't you think Jessie Bell is over-doing it? Three dates in one week with the same boy. Could it be, "In the spring a young man's fancy turns to love?"

Culler, who you remember had her heart fatally pierced by one of my arrows, is starting out right by taking her man to church. Even though I'm usually known as a spring harbinger, Evelyn Bowers has an earlier "Herald" this year.

Nat Woodward may or may not be in love now, but I wonder when she'll take another train rider?

Sophonra Jordan—who is one of the mortally pierced—had set the date for February 19, but instead slipped it up to Thursday 11. Best wishes. And Heidi won't even tell me when—after I helped her catch him.

Neil and Jennie seemed to be in a real gay mood Saturday night on the 10 o'clock bus. Cute Boys. After all these days of patient waiting, that all-important letter finally arrived and found its way to Ruby Yates' box. Really I think she should get three dozen roses—but after all, England is sorta' far off.

Anna Ruth has me to thank for that two-carat glimmer but I'm leaving it up to her as to when it'll be—she really is troubled. Cleo's "sweet" little man stories.

Wonder if there'll be any style show romances weaving around with the textile boys this year. I'll do all I can to help.

Don't know "who" or "how" but Cornell Brunt woke up the other afternoon and found a surprise that looked exactly like herself.

St. Valentine, lots of the girls are worried—especially Mary Davis—'cause we hate to start wearing high heels to class (with or without anklets, Marv?) It seems that most of us have more good heels than loafers. Oh, time will tell!

Speaking of heels, not that she's one, but wonder why "Barefeet" seems to Dunn it every Sunday. Maybe there's a reason.

Patsy McLawhorn, that week-end between semesters must have been just too-too. Irvin seemed to like it just fine.

Why is it that Rebecca Lane likes the color "red" so well? Could it be that Pre-flight Naval Cadet, "Red" Bonner?

One thing I'm sure of is that William Jenkins, that Navy man is 1A in Mildred Allen's heart. Have you seen that sparkle in her eyes and that sparkler on her third finger, left hand?

Hope Peggy Haywood is still doing O.K. by Billy—you know that Clemson cadet.

Betty Knowles is getting a lovelier Valentine present than most anybody else. She's going out to Tennessee Thursday to see—well just ask her.

Bye, hope I've done my best 'cause I sho' do want to smell those flowers and taste that candy.

Love,
Danette Cupid.

fessors and administrative officers have given chapel programs that have held our attention so well and have been quite enjoyable.

Let me express here, then, the general appreciation that we students have for these programs and for those among us who make them possible. Many thanks to our administration, our faculty, and our clubs.



Cartoon by Betsy Watson

Collegiate Creams

(By Marty Jeffreys)

"As long as the present restrictions on 'Driving for Pleasure' are in effect all dances given by State College organizations shall close promptly at 11. Dances may begin as early as 8 if the organization desires but the dance must close promptly at 11 so that those who desire to do so may use the city buses for transportation."

—The Technician.

"Members of the Army Enlisted Reserve were told that they will not be ordered to report until after March examination. While the Army Air Force Reservists were practically assured that they would be able to remain in school for the remainder of the session, the N. R. O. T. C., students in classes V-1, V-5, and V-7, may continue their present studies until a date yet to be determined when they will be placed on active duty as apprentice seamen."

—College Topics (U. of Va.)

"I ask advice from others; I seldom take it, tho I simply let them give it Because they love it so."

But could be that we ought to be glad that we have no such woe-begone graders as the one who marked the exams so strictly that he flunked a fellow for having a period upside down.

—The Periscope (Coker College)

"Women with college degrees any degrees—may now qualify as junior engineers in the government by taking a short tuition-free course at any college which offers engineering and gets together enough candidates to justify classes. Persons who successfully complete such courses may get a junior engineer's job. Salary, \$2,000.—Daily Tar Heel.

Hitler told the German people at the beginning of the year that he would "wipe the Russians off the map in six months," even if it took all year.

—The Daily Tar Heel

Drug Cutting:
"I want some consecrated lie."
"You mean concentrated lye."
"It does nutmeg any difference, that's what I camphor."
"How much does it sulfur?"
"Fifteen cents. Bright fellow, aren't you?"
"I've never cinnamon with so much wit."
"Well, I should myrrh—myrrh . . . and as yet ammonia beginner at it."—The Duke Chronicle.

Societies To Present Plays On Feb. 18

Freshman Class Also To Give Play Under the Direction of Miss Bailey

The Phi and Astro Societies will present their annual competitive plays on February 18 in the auditorium. These plays are of special interest this year since the winner will determine who has the cup. The Phi's have won for the past two years, and if they continue their success this year, they will be allowed to keep the cup. Betty Rose Prevatte is directing the Phi play entitled "Red Carnations" by Glenn Hughes, and Nan Davis is directing the Astro play, "Ladies Alone" by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clements. Both societies have cast their plays and have started rehearsals.

The freshman class will give their play, "The Tangled Mob" by Charles G. Stevens along with the society plays. This play is a comedy also, and is built around an absent-minded professor. Miss Bailey will direct this play while the cast includes—Gwendolyn Krabnke as Professor Doolittle, Hazel Johnson as Kate Reagan, Melba Long as Mrs. Wilcox, and Marilyn Ferrill as Dan Fogarty.

From the Durham Herald:
"Duke has three conference wins and one defeat while Wake Forest has two losses and a defeat."
!!! . . . Very sportsmanlike distinction, old chap!

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