

## Dr. L. H. Van Houten Addresses Erie Grange

Speaking before the Wednesday evening session of the Erie County Pomona Grange at Belle Valley last week, Dr. L. H. Van Houten, President of the Edinboro State Teachers College, gave current aspects of "A Satisfying Rural Life".

Dr. Van Houten declared that although the trend in education is away from the farm, rural life provides the sort of satisfaction that is sought in later life.

Pointing out that one of the greatest influences in the lives of young people is their desire to increase their attractiveness, Dr. Van Houten said that older people are indifferent to such influences but are more interested in living with some assurance of security.

## Canterbury Club Aid "Bundles For Britain"

With conscription an accomplished fact, the passing of the lease-lend bill after a heated discussion in the national capitol, and radio newscasts bringing hourly reports of the latest developments, the war has become almost a commonplace topic of conversation to U. S. civilians.

But what about civilians in England? They need considerable aid and attention, as the following report from England via the Erie Bundles for Britain headquarters very plainly shows; emphatically needed are:

200,000 men's civilian garments; 200,000 women's civilian garments, 10,000 garments for children under 1 year; 50,000 garments for children from 1 to 12 years; 20,000 garments for children from 13 to 16 years; 125,000 children's rubber boots; 20 tons of knitting wool; 200,000 blankets; 50,000 mending kits and such miscellaneous articles as shoes, paper cups, thermos bottles, paper handkerchiefs, towels, soap and razor blades. Other things which have been asked for are old phonograph records and sets of games with which to pass the time and keep up the morale while children and adults are in air-raid shelters.

The Bundles for Britain society, which is no way conflicts with the American Red Cross, also collects and sends old surgical instruments which are in good repair, and entirely supplies London's Great Northern hospital with this equipment.

The Canterbury Club is sponsoring a drive for Bundles for Britain  
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## Phi Sigma Convention Attracts Edinboro Men

At 7:15 on Friday morning, February 21, six convention-bound members of Phi Sigma Pi National Educational Professional Fraternity rolled sleepily out of Edinboro, and at 8:15 Sunday night, three days, and 1,038 miles later, rolled sleepily in again. The convention was one held every two years; the men were Dan Wolchik, Harold Schreckengost and Oliver Wester, who accompanied the official delegate, Bob Ulrich, and the alternate, Roy Christensen. Walter Nissen, an alumnus who had attended a previous convention at Cleveland two years ago, was the driver.

Tired, dead on their feet, sick of riding, the members still refrained from swearing off, but stoutly maintained that they would do it again. The convention they attended was held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, at the Madison Hotel, the same week and the same city that the National Educational Association convention was held.

It was snowing furiously when the members left, but the bad weather didn't last all the way. At Pittsburgh the snow stopped, and past Harrisburg there was none to be seen at all anywhere. Clear blue skies heralding their approach into Philadelphia, and held through Camden and Atlantic City itself. The trip took the major part of the first day, and the convention the next day, from nine to five.

The morning session was devoted to publications and chapter reports, with the National President, jovial, C. B. Wilson, presiding. There were  
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## Doris Heintz Placed First In Kane Meet

Edinboro Ski Club members scored again last Sunday when they participated in the second annual Kane Ski Club Championship Meet. This was a closed meet open only to members of the Kane Ski Club, and was highly competitive, having about two hundred entrants.

Doris Heintz, energetic member of both Edinboro and Kane clubs, placed first in the women's downhill and slalom events. Betsey Vincent placed third in the downhill. Dick Rockwell, a Kane Ski Club winner of previous years, placed second in both the men's downhill and slalom.

These three members, and Ellen Haiston, who also participated, are all Juniors, and are the most enthusiastic of Edinboro skiers.

## BERTITA HARDING LECTURES TO EDINBORO AUDIENCE TOMORROW

### Indian Folk Lore Is Featured Next Week

Next week's assembly, to be held on Tuesday, March 18, will feature Reginald and Gladys Laubin in a presentation of authentic American Indian dances.

Mr. Laubin learned his first dance steps from two Indians who visited the town where he lived as a boy. Since then he has studied Indian lore striving to preserve the best of the native American cultures. This recital of Dances, Music and Lore, taken from various tribes of Indians of the Great Plains, presents the true spirit of the Indian.

This program, carried out in colorful Indian dress, promises an entertaining and educational hour for Edinboro students.

### Alpha Delta Pledge Ten New Members

Nine freshmen and one sophomore were pledged to membership in the Alpha Delta Sorority on Saturday evening, March 1. President Marion Duffy conducted the service and presented the following girls with the tiny owl pledge pins: Sally Wilson, Margaret Kingsley, Dorothy Watson, Margaret Calfish, Elaine Higfield, Phyllis Myers, Marjorie Hall, June Hostetler, Arleen McIntyre and Olga Hubiak.

Following the trail period traditionally known as "Hell Week", the new members will be received at the formal initiation on March 13. This ceremony will precede a dinner held in honor of the pledges.

### Annual Bowery Brawl Is Saturday, March 15

Warning to the men:

Beware the Ides of March! Caesar was warned, and I guess it's well to warn all the fellas, too. In case your Roman history didn't register boys, the Ides of March happens to be the day of the annual Bowery Brawl given by the girls of Haven Hall.

If you're still in the dark, the Brawl is to be held in the old gym this Saturday evening, where informality is the keynote and an evening of fun planned for all. Don't worry, boys, it won't cost you a thing because the girls foot the bill.

### "Mexico, The Lady Next Door"

Bertita Harding, author of "Hungarian Rhapsody", "Imperial Twilight", "Phantom Crown", and many other interesting books on Mexico, Central America, and South America, will lecture tomorrow evening, March 13, in the Normal Hall auditorium.

Miss Harding's subject will be "Mexico, The Lady Next Door". In view of her extensive research, personal background, and early life, her knowledge of the Mexican situation is most accurate and interesting.

Bertita Carla Camille Lemay de Harding, to give her full name, was born in Bavaria of an Austrian father and a Hungarian mother, both of whose families had long been prominent in Viennese court life.

When she was three, her mother was sent by Emperor Franz Josef on a delicate and important mission to Mexico City to recover for the Crown the Hapsburgh jewels left in Mexico by the ill-fated Maximilian and Charolota. It was the story of their life in the shadowy castle of Chatultepec that she was later to tell in her "Phantom Crown", a widely-read best seller upon which the movie "Juarez" was later based.

Although she makes Indianapolis her permanent home, she spends considerable time in Hollywood serving as an adviser to Warner Brothers Studio, which produced "Juarez" and which is planning several more movies based upon her other books. For her holidays she usually revisits Mexico City, where her father is a leading steel manufacturer.

In view of the recent significant political developments in Mexico which have a distinct bearing on the United States, Miss Harding's lecture is a most timely discussion of a subject which is of utmost importance to American welfare.

Tomorrow's lecture will be the sixth program of the present Lecture-Entertainment series of eight programs.

### MANY AT SLIPPERY ROCK BASKETBALL GAME

The faculty and students, numbering over two hundred, led by Dr. and Mrs. Van Houten supported the Red Raiders in their basketball game with Slippery Rock last Friday evening. This has been one of the largest crowds to accompany a team while they played away.

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COLLEGE CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 12 Wrestlers Elimination Matches in the New Gym, 2:45 p. m.  
 W. A. A. Swimming Meet, 4 p. m.  
 Thursday, March 13 Polish Alliance Wrestling here at 2:45 p. m.  
 W. A. A. Tea 3-5 p. m.  
 Alpha Delta Sorority Formal Initiation and Dinner  
 Lecture by Bertita Harding in the Normal Hall Auditorium 8 p. m.  
 Friday, March 14 Class Meetings 9:50 a. m.  
 Clarion State Teachers College Wrestling here at 2:45 p. m.  
 Movies 8 p. m.  
 Saturday, March 15 Annual Bowery Brawl  
 Monday, March 17 Club Meetings 9:50 a. m.  
 Alpha Delta Sorority Meeting  
 Phi Sigma Pi Fraternity Meeting  
 Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity Meeting  
 Tuesday, March 18 Assembly program featuring Reginald and Gladys Laubin 9:50 a. m.  
 Dramatic Club Meeting—New Auditorium 8 p. m.  
 Wednesday, March 19 Y. W. C. A. Meeting  
 Thursday, March 20 Y. M. C. A. Meeting

PHI SIGMA PI CONVENTION

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luncheon speakers who spoke on various topics, the best speech being one made by J.M. McCallister who had made a survey of the reading efficiency of the college students. A panel discussion on the Pennsylvania tenure law and the consolidation of schools too up most of the afternoon, with all the delegates participating. Committee reports on finance, ritual, and changes in the constitution were next, with the nomination and election of officers completing the day.

Sixty delegates representing twenty chapters from all over the United States were there. It was a queer sight to see the Edinboro men during roll call to see the students from distant states jumping up and reporting Missouri, California, Nebraska, for instance. Steve Lipchick, a former Edinboro student now at California State Teachers college, was there and spoke for a few minutes. Steve is still Steve, judging by the speech.

The trip back was by the way of Baltimore, Washington, D.C., and points west. Twenty-eight hours of driving were included in three days crammed full of activity. They drove over the Super Highway, stopped at the state capitol of Harrisburg, used the Pennsylvania Ferry in crossing the Delaware river between Delaware and Maryland, and glimpsed some beautiful country on the way down: rolling hills which unulated in long waves, white pine forests, and great stretches of larch trees. These short-limbed evergreens were every-

where, used for wood pulp mostly. The color of the soil ranged all the way from brick red in Maryland to bright red in Delaware. Passing through a large Amish settlement, they saw sturdy houses and barns built of native stone, well-scrubbed and painted, but with only slits for windows.

The Atlantic ocean proved to be disappointing; no waves, no surf, no steamers, only a blue haze beyond a long beach and boardwalk. The water was seven degrees warmer than the land, though. Coming back they stopped in Baltimore and Washington, snapping pictures from the Capitol steps and the Washington Monument on Sunday morning. A few trophies were brought back, including a Phi Sigma Pi hand book and a case of indigestion. Suffering from lack of sleep and from hoarse throats strained by singing, they stumbled into bed, tired but happier and wiser men.

The student body of Edinboro, along with the faculty, are pleased to hear that John C. Johnson, Jr., is well on his way to recovery after his recent illness.

The Canterbury Club, with the Rev. Robert Stetler, held its annual communion service in the chapel of Miss Whitney's home, Sunday, March 9.

Fred Casoli, playing his final and most spectacular game for Edinboro, made every shot he attempted, rolling up a grand total of twenty-one points.

Jack Rank Presents 'Merchant of Venice'

Shakespeare's superb play, 'The Merchant of Venice,' came to life for a brief hour last Wednesday under the skilled guiding hand of Jack Rank, actor extraordinary. One by one the separate characters marched through the soft spotlight, paused a moment to give an account of themselves, and then marched out again.

Lightning changes made possible the rapid flow of the play, which, though considerably curtailed, still was coherent enough for the average listener. Elaborate stage settings set the keynote for the entrance of the many bright and varied costumes worn by the actor. His diction was very clear with the exception of the off stage dialogue which was not very distinguishable. Each gesture and action seemed to be spontaneous and fitting with the character being portrayed. The pause in dialogue helped emphasize certain main plot lines; while the repetition of words and the exaggerated gestures of the comic characters made the mood light and airy. The authentic music also helped establish the atmosphere of the play.

Shylock's baleful eye gleamed from beneath his shaggy locks; the girlish, dainty prince minced about the stage; husky-voiced Portia lumbered about; but the sorry figure of Shylock's servant, battling with his conscience and cursing his master, stole the entire show. From the dramatic beginning to the reluctant end, it was a production worth watching.

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here in Edinboro, and within the next week you will hear more about it.

There is hardly any further need to emphasize how much the people of England need these things which have appeared on the list. It is almost impossible to visualize the quantity needed, and of course Edinboro could never hope to meet such a demand. But every contribution is added to the large burlap sacks stacked in the packing room at the Erie Bundles for Britain headquarters until there is a sufficient quantity to send to New York, where it is shipped to England.

Let us all give something—there should be a few old phonograph records, a few out-moded or little used garments or shoes to be contributed by college students.

Let us give while we have it in our power to give. We may be next.

Mrs. Harrington, the former Miss E. Bergstrom, Dean of Women at Edinboro, spent last Wednesday on the campus and was the guest of the Book Club that evening at the home of Miss Justina Baron.

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Spring dances call to every feminine mind fashions in waltz-time, after-dark designs figured to bring out the siren in a girl. There's something about skirts frail as a ballerina's, flinging out in a jubilant rhumba, that can't be equaled by any other costume. Methinks spring proms are expressly created to bring out the pentup costume sense in all of us.

The conquest-time dresses this season are more than classy—they're classical!! In shops on every highway and by-way you're bound to find direct take-offs from the Greek.

And still ever popular as a dancing delight is the Beauty-and-the-Basque-effect dress. You all know what I mean....the figure-fitting type of gown that whittles your waist and then flings out into a frosted, sheer shirt of nebulous net. Dresses such as I've described are dedicated to youth, and, to further this illusion, are featuring sheltered shoulders. Bare shoulder blades flapping in the breezes are taboo, now, except for very formal occasions. A clever example of formal and semi-formal gown combined was seen in a smart shop window just a while back. It was made of delicate pastel silk. There was a tight-fitting bodice and skirt, soft and full as a cloud drift, set with delicate bands of fine black lace. For dinners and other such informal occasions a demure fitted peek-a-boo jacket of this same midnight lace was provided.

No less bewitching and certainly not to be sneezed at was the Edinboro night-life attire as displayed at the Inter Fraternity-Sorority Ball held the first of March. Now, for example, did you notice Margie Martin? But of course you couldn't have helped noticing her, I'm sure, not in that breath-taking dress. It had a very bouffant skirt of fluffy white, striped around with glittering gold bands....very fetching and yet, just right for blonde, friendly Margie. And our favorite red-head, Marion Duffy looked so fresh, almost as if she had just stepped out of a very special band-box. She should wear yellow more often, for the floating chiffon, yoked on gold sequins and with the newly-popular bishop sleeves became her no end. Always something smart and striking down Kay Davis' way still holds true for she looked grand in her new smart pique frock. It had a hip-length, well-fitted basque of white and below it a skirt ringed about with green and white. Very nice!

With bigger and better dances coming along soon that faraway look in her eyes isn't love nor yet spring fever. She's probably cudgeling her brain, trying to envision what she will wear to the spring prom and with dresses so fetching without being madly extravagant, you'd better hang on to your hearts, boys..

## RED RAIDERS BASKETBALL SEASON ENDS WITH 12 VICTORIES, 4 DEFEATS

The Red Raiders closed another very successful basketball season last Friday, March 7th, when they were defeated by the Rockets of Slippery Rock State Teachers College. The final score which was 53-50, is mute evidence of the struggle which went on on Slippery Rock's hardwood. At the halftime, both teams were deadlocked at 24 all. In the third quarter, the Rockets rallied and scored twenty points. The Raiders put on a fourth period spurt, but they were too far behind, and the game ended with Slippery Rock in front by three points. Fred Casoli, playing his final, and most spectacular game for Edinboro, made every shot he attempted, rolling up a grand total of twenty-one points.

This game marked Edinboro's fourth defeat of the season, alongside of 12 victories. The Raiders are still leading in the mythical State Teachers College league, but several of the other schools have games yet to be played, and one of them may dethrone the Edinboro quintet.

Highest honors for this year's season go to Frank Soscia, a junior from Erie, where he played ball for Strong Vincent. Last week, Frank was named on the Associated Press All-State Teachers College team. He was picked to this position by the sports writers and coaches throughout the entire state. Also given honorable mention were Steve Crunick and Elmer Abahazi.

Edinboro started the season with a close victory over DeSales College from Toledo, Ohio. The boys from the Buckeye state were only beaten by one point, the final score being Edinboro-45, DeSales-44. Following this, the Raiders won four in a row from Ohio College of Chiropody, Lawrence Tech from Michigan, Fredonia State Teachers College, and Thiel. Then came the first defeat, Thiel displayed us a return game on their floor just four days after we handed them their first defeat. The game went into an extra period, with Edinboro finally losing 50-49.

Then came the flu epidemic, and almost every member of the squad was sick at one time or another. Games with Indiana and Clarion were postponed because so many of the team were ill. On February 1st, the season was reopened with a victory over Slippery Rock on our own floor. Then came our second defeat at the hands of California State Teachers College, with the score being 36-34, in their favor. Fredonia next fell victim to the Raiders again, followed by Clarion. The Raiders were just getting back into stride when they met California on their floor. Again California triumphed, this time by a score of 49-38. The final home game, which was also a victory for Edinboro, was played on February 21st, with Indiana State Teachers College.

## W.A.A. Tea Climaxes Winter Activities Here

This week brings the W. A. A. winter sports to a successful close. Spring is coming, girls! Spring sports will help that spring fever feeling!

The inter-class basketball tournament held last week ended with the fast-moving Juniors in possession of the championship, followed respectively by the Sophomores, Seniors and Freshmen. Members of the winning team will receive small silver basketballs, and the outstanding forward and guard on each team will also receive awards. Four-year players will be awarded senior trophies.

Don't forget the swimming meet at 4:00 p. m. today!

On Thursday there will be a W. A. A. tea meeting from 3:00 to 5:00. At this meeting the Ski Club will report on the season's activities and announce new members. There will also be a discussion of spring sports and a report of the Flora Stone Mather Cabin week-end.

Edinboro delegates attending the cabin week-end, sponsored by Flora Stone Mather College at Cleveland, Ohio, March 8-9, were June Keyser, Junior, and June Welker, Senior. Edinboro was the only State Teachers College represented at this meeting which was held on a three hundred-acre estate belonging to Western Reserve University.

## EDINBORO SKIERS AT KANE

Eighteen skiers represented Edinboro at Kane Sunday, March 2, where they joined Allegheny and Grove City College students in a day of winter sports.

There was no competition set up; it was simply a trip for a good time and the promotion of fellowship. Needless to say, the group, among whom were several freshmen, found Kane hills slightly higher than 'Gusty'.

Students making the trip were: Audrey Bacon, Margaret Chfisc, Ellen Haiston, Doris Heintz, Shirley Kaufman, Lucille Marti, Ernestine Pardee, Camille Peck, Mary Taylor, Betsey Vincent, June Welker, Sally Wilson and Dick Rockwell.

Sponsoring the trip and accompanying the group was Miss Nettie Mai Ruttle, active W. A. A. director.

The Raiders won by a comfortable margin of 42-32. The next game scheduled was to have been played at the Ohio College of Chiropody in Cleveland, but due to the death and injuring of several of their squad in an automobile accident, the game was cancelled. In its place, the postponed game with Clarion was played, with the Raiders emerging victorious.

## Dramatic Club

The Edinboro Players met last on February 25th. It has been decided to abandon plans for the production of "The Star Wagon" because of the lack of funds. In its place the club plans to present "Kind Lady" by Edward Chedorov, a play that has but recently closed after a successful Broadway run. It is a mystery play centering about the subtle torture of the "kind lady". The production is scheduled for May 8th.

This play will be the first production to be staged in the new auditorium. Installation of the seats in the auditorium is to begin April 8th and it is hoped that the stage equipment soon after the date. High school students from surrounding communities will be the guests of the Players for the evening.

Following the meeting Miss Jane S. Ludgate entertained the pledges to and the members of Alpha Psi Omega, the National Honorary Dramatic Fraternity, at her home. The members on campus are Donald Brown and Elaine Ghering; the pledges are the Misses Betty Klapthor and Marjorie Martin and Messrs. Robert McKInney, Robert Ulrich, Harold Powers, Earl Madigan and Will Schaaf. The initiates were assigned the material they must study and master for the examination on May 8th. The initiation will be held on May 10th at the Lawrence Hotel in Erie.

The postponed game with Indiana was played there next, and the Raiders chalked up another victory. Then came the final game at Slippery Rock, with the fourth defeat for Edinboro resulting.

Only one man is lost this year due to graduation, he being Fred Casoli. Fred will be missed, for his dead shots were point getters time and time again. With the rest of the squad all returning, and with this year's freshmen members now fairly well seasoned veterans, chances for next year's squad being another league leader are very probable.

## Wrestling Tournament At Lock Haven

After a practice match, which they lost, the wrestling team journeyed to Lock Haven for the All State Teachers College Wrestling Tournament. The practice match was on Thursday evening at Cambridge Springs.

In the two-day meet at Lock Haven Edinboro made a good showing with its small squad who are in their second year, originating last season. Frank Felice, who is present state champion in the 136 pound class, acts as coach of the squad. Two of this year's members are freshmen, and they are not very well seasoned as yet. They are Paul Gunn and Frank Holowach. Both performed in the meet at Lock Haven, with Gunn advancing to the semi-finals via the bye route. Other wrestlers who represented Edinboro in the six college meet were Ponziona Manning, Leo Bemis, both of whom also advanced to the semi-finals; Robert Granahan, and Bob Kaufmann who lost out in the preliminary matches. However, Frank Felice, wrestled his way through the semi-finals and the finals after receiving a bye in the preliminaries, to emerge victorious to regain the title of state champion.

The team from Lock Haven won the meet by amassing a total of 25 points. Edinboro had a total score of 6 paining five points in the 136 pound class, and one point in the 165 pound class. Felice accounted for the five points, while Bemis scored the Raiders' other tally.

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## Phi Sig Sez:

(PHI SIGMA PI)

THAT Cristy, Ulrich, Wolchick, Wester, Schrecky, (the boys from the fraternity that attended their national convention) and Alumni Nissen returned from Atlantic City with great ideas from their frat. They came back to Edinboro by the way of Baltimore and Washington, D. C. Rather a long way around but a nice trip.

Pledging and the rest are over now for a while. Now Edinoro can settle down to its regular life. It's fun while it lasts, if you don't go too far while it does last.

## PHI SIGMA PI FRATERNITY FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

Saturday evening, March 8, Phi Sigma Pi, National Professional Education Fraternity, held its annual Founders' Day Dinner in Haven Hall Dining Room. The dinner was attended by about thirty alumni and student members of the fraternity. The Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Norman Dilley, president of the organization. Mr. Dilley introduced Warren Anna who gave the history of the fraternity and told about the new ideas used in the fraternities scrap-book. The pledges of the past year were introduced by Roy Christensen and the alumni by William Peiffer. Informal speeches were made by the fraternity fathers: Mr. Bates, Mr. Mallory, Mr. McNees and Mr. Harrison. Dr. Van Houten and Mr. Bailey were unable to attend the dinner because of a previous engagement. The evening ended with the entire gathering singing the Alma Mater.

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## Reeder's Digest

Have you all noticed the bulging muscles on Whitehill since he started his "workouts"?

Larry spent last weekend at Cook's Forest. How's the skating on the "weak" end, Larry?

Poor Dilley (S. T.), he works so hard at night. No wonder we near have to kick the door in before he gets up.

Reeder Hall gives some fatherly advice to a couple of freshmen on second: If you keep up your haughty ways (?), you'll end up with narry a friend

Reeder Hall also gives its best wishes again to Ray Graves. Ray left a week ago tonight for his year's military training at Indiantown Gap.

Poor Soccia has had quite a name built up about himself. Now, boys, don't you think this has gone quite far enough? A joke once in a while is lots of fun, but too many in a row sometimes prove distrous.

These roommates who wipe their Roomies girl friend seem to be doing all right. Well, Small, you've worked hard.

By the way, how did Reeder Hall rate with all you gals of Haven last time? The truth hurts sometimes doesn't it, Gabby-

The truth does hurt.—OUCH.

## Off Campus News

Mrs. Bailey had a surprise party for Doris Heintz last Thursday. Rose Gugino, Mickey Kobylanski, Elaine Ghering, Mary Barco and Mrs. Heintz were guests. Darn nice of her say we. Incidentally, Doris is now eligible to vote.

Campus and off-campus students both are happy to see Jim Cavanaugh in classes once more.

You could have knocked the fellows at Klingensmith's over with a fender the other evening when Ted Vesber proceeded to do things in the modern manner to "Love's Old Sweet Song". We never thought you had it in you, M. Vesber!

Nick DeSimone was rather weary last Saturday, or didn't you notice? Well, how do you think you'd feel after walking from Lavery's Corners

## Kappa Komment

(KAPPA DELTA PHI)

Every year, one of the duties a Kappa Delta Phi pledge must do is to write a theme about his conception of Education. This year, the best theme was written by Vernon Dornbach and his theme is herewith presented to the future teachers of Edinboro State Teachers College:

### Define Your Own Idea of Education

There are several approaches to this subject but for matters of simplification I shall approach the subject from the formal definition. According to Webster, education is "the act, process, or result of educating; the systematic training of the moral and intellectual faculties." This statement is generally accepted but it leaves some questions unanswered. Just when is a person considered educated? Is the artist just as educated as the scientist? Is the musician as educated as the doctor? And under what classification does the mechanic or the machinist fall? To me all the persons in the above classifications come under the heading of being educated. This statement may be disputed by some, but isn't the artist just as educated as the scientist? It is true that their fields of knowledge are worlds apart but education does not pick its own fields. Must a person know Latin, Greek, Ancient History, German, or any of the other classics to be considered educated? I say no, but unfortunately, this is the trend in the field of education today. A doctor is considered by some to be more educated than an artist just because the doctor studied Latin, Greek, Biology, Chemistry, etc. But we are gradually breaking away from the classical conception of education and are getting a more practical approach to the field. To me an educated person is one who thoroughly understands his field, be he actor, lawyer, artist, musician, mechanic or electrician. And to be sure, an educated person must have a generous amount of common sense and be something other than "book-smart". What good is a person who thoroughly understands and knows Ancient History or Latin and cannot put it to practical use, or cannot fix a tire or a defective electric light and numerous other practical, every-day needs. So I would say that a person is educated when his "book larnin'", be it in the field of art, science or medicine, is balanced by practical, common sense.

at three o'clock in the morning?

Attention Paul Gunn! Beware of your Easter vacation, unless you enjoy massaging a wall with a paint brush! A word to the wise should be sufficient.

Philip Mahoney leaves this week. Seems that his draft number came up. Pesky things, aren't they? Anyway, good luck, Phil!

## Haven Ravin's

Camp Haven,  
March 12

Dear Mom,

What with spring comin' pretty soon (no kiddin, it's onli three weeks away!), some of the Rookies in this divishun seem to be havin' quite a time keeping there feet on the ground, if you know what I mean, mom....I mite add that there's even been a coupel of cumunikas from the high commanl....Yeah....and on March 15th there gonna hold the annual Bowery Brawl, so I guess we'll all hafta find ourselves some lether-shifters for that partikular nite, at which time, I mite add, we rilly will be the dough-boys (mom....that's a subtile hir[; I'm broke at present). I here there's a few who arn't gonna go because they can't dance, or something, but, you know, they rilly don't hafta worry about anything like that, because there's a lot of other things planned besides dancing—what is it they call it?—in-sidental, that's what the dancing is, mom....

Then there were a lot of the Rookies what changed tents (this is some camp!); Private Masterson moved in across the street from us, and Vincent and Haiston haev been promoted to a two-room tent....out of our class now, I guess. Sargeant Lincoln finds time between drills to make puppets, and I wish you could see them!....there what you call "chick" (French for snappy, mom), and she can even make 'em run, or whatever they do....

A coupel of nites ago there was a party down in the first floor barracks—now Corpral Mayers is twenty.... and Tuttle, daughter of the regiment, has been neglectin' duty for some flunkie over in Camp Reeder by the name of Carpenter....she's got the whole camp wonderin' what that one has that teh rest of 'em don't.... an' speakin' of Reeder, there's some Rookie, I guess You'd call it an "ailin' enemy", what's been castin' slanderous slams in this derichshun, which I am gonná ignor, on accounta I figur as long as he keeps himself within his own territory, he is safe, but if he ever infrinjes on my line, there'll sure be a battle....they say the ski troops have about given up, onli up until jest lately it's bin so cold here, that jest to give you a ruff idea, I saw Captin Miller wearin' a cap down to the shower a coupel of days ago.

Well, mom, there hasn't bin much rews t otell you th's week, but maby I'll have mor the nex time I rite, I hope....

Yrs. till the war ends,

Gabby.

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