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Two Soldiers Burn To Death In Hannibal Fire

University Service Observes Memory Of Fire Victims

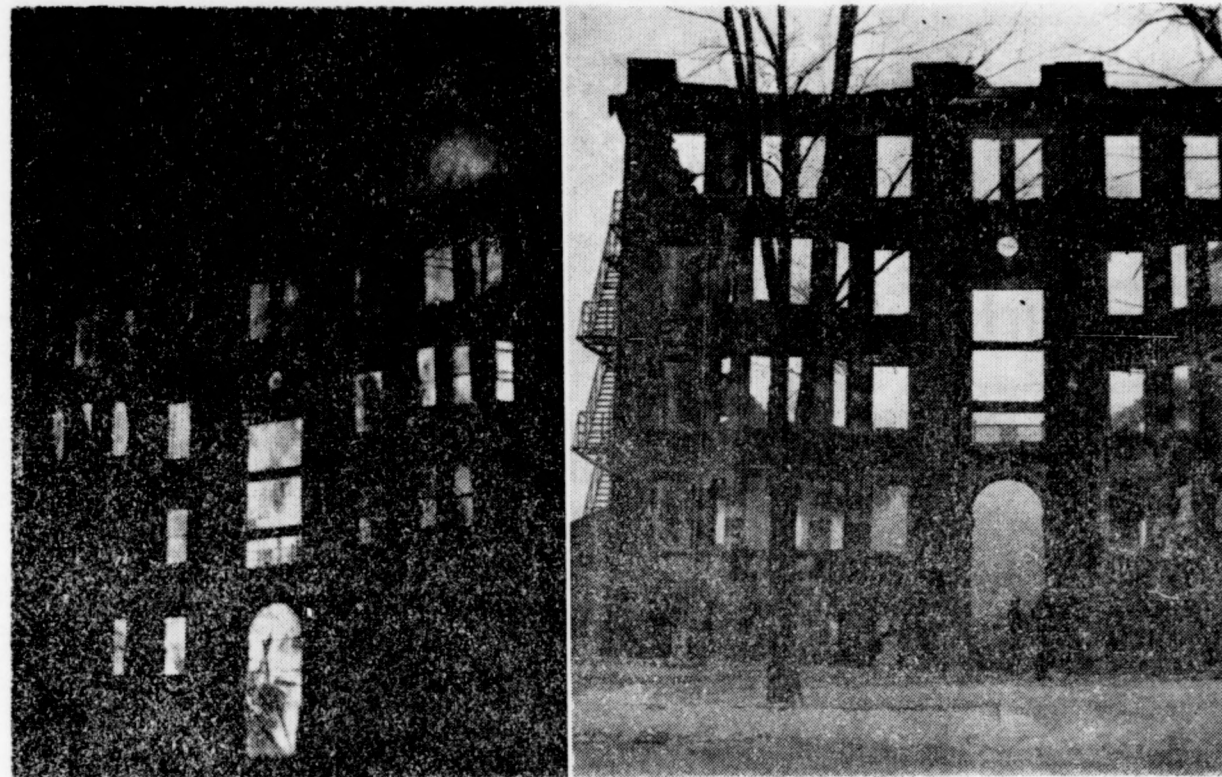
A memorial service was held on Tuesday, February 15, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Gymnasium to pay tribute to the two soldier-students, Thomas Gooden and Herbert Guenther, who lost their lives in the Hannibal Hamlin fire.

Taking part in the memorial service were Reverend C. D. Wentworth of the Methodist Church in Orono, Reverend David D. Rose of the Church of Universal Fellowship in Orono, Reverend Edmund L. Loughman of St. James Episcopal Church in Old Town, Charles O'Connor of the MCA, and Captain Philip Sheffield. The service also included the Chapel Choir singing "Still, Still with Thee," and a duet, "The Lord is My Shepherd," sung by Laura Jackman and Betty Jenkins. The service closed with taps by Privates Billie Taylor and Albert Teller.

This tributary service was sponsored by the Inter-Religious Council which is made up of pastors of all faiths and denominations. AST students attended in a body.

Dr. E. Faye Wilson To Speak Monday

Dr. E. Faye Wilson, former member of the University of Maine faculty and at present professor of history at Wellesley College, will speak at an assembly for all women students to be held on Monday, February 21, at 10 a.m. Excused cuts will be given so that the students may attend. Members of the faculty are invited.



HANNIBAL HAMLIN ABLAZE, left, snapped at 1:45 a.m. Sunday, and right, the ruined structure Sunday afternoon.

Dorms, MCA Plan Weekend Parties

Three social affairs are scheduled for this week-end. A vic party at Phi Gamma Delta House is planned for Friday evening, Feb. 18.

Saturday, Feb. 19, the Elms is having a semi-formal dance.

Scheduled also for Saturday, Feb. 19, is a Balentine vic party to be held after the basketball game with North-eastern. At the same time the MCA will sponsor a scavenger hunt party at the MCA building.

Courageous Action, Discipline Seen During Dorm Tragedy

BY PRIVATE DAVE JACOBS, ASTP

Out of the confusion and tragedy of last week-end have come stories of individual heroism, loyalty to one's friends and comrades, and just plain quick thinking and presence of mind.

Pvt. Dewey Mills owes his life to the ingenuity of five men from Center Hannibal. Almost overcome by smoke after vainly trying to rescue his roommate, Herbert Guenther, Mills climbed out on a three-inch coping, grabbed

the end of a blanket tossed to him by the men in Center Hannibal, and was hauled to safety.

Privates Joe Chopko, Bill Daley, Allen Everett, John Henderson, and Jim Barry were the men responsible for Mills' rescue. They had tried to get to the men previously by chopping through the intervening fire wall—but the wall was too thick for their axes.

Private Webster Dawley was injured after jumping from the third floor. The fire had spread so rapidly, that before Dawley could reach the fire escape his route was blocked. The men below yelled to him to jump, telling him to first throw his coat so they could estimate where he would land. Holding a blanket in fire-net fashion they tried to catch him, but in the darkness they couldn't see him until he was only fifteen feet off the ground. Their pulling the blanket over at the last second, catching Dawley's hurtling body with one corner of the blanket net perhaps saved his life.

CADET OFFICERS ACT

Military officials spoke highly of the cadet officers who "acted quickly and judiciously, estimating the situation at a glance, and taking the best course of action."

Pvt. LeRoy Townsend, who was cadet O.D. of 'A' Company at the time, kept his head. Knowing that the local extension phones in the area were dead for the night, he jumped into a taxi, which was bringing men in from Bangor at the time, raced down to the University heating plant, told the crew there to notify the Orono Fire Department and to blow the siren. He quickly called all the officers and told them of the situation, and then returned to the scene—all within ten minutes.

Pitching in without a moment's hesitation to help the under-staffed fire department, were soldiers, civilian

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Official Boards Probing Origin Of \$35,000 Blaze

Swift flames turned the north section of Hannibal Hamlin Hall into a roaring furnace early Sunday morning, and tragedy struck the University of Maine as two ASTP soldiers were burned to death and a third was severely injured by jumping from a third story window.

The body of Pvt. Herbert E. Guenther, 19, of Evanston, Ill., was recovered from the ruins Sunday noon and shipped to Evanston Monday. The charred remains of Pvt. Thomas M. Gooden, 3rd, of Dover, Del., were found in the debris yesterday.

Pvt. Webster Dawley of Plainfield, N. J., is at the Eastern Maine General Hospital with a broken back sustained in a leap from a third floor window in the rear of the burning building. He is awaiting an operation, but his condition is not critical.

Fortunately the fire broke out at a time when less than half of the 73 men quartered in the section were in their rooms. The blaze was discovered about 1:15 a.m., and those who were awake immediately rushed to rouse their sleeping dorm mates. The flames spread so rapidly that many had time only to grab clothing and dash for the fire escapes.

The University fire squad and apparatus arrived first, and firemen and apparatus from Orono and later from Old Town followed. Three pumps were put into action. Although tons of water were poured into the blazing structure, it burned with such rapidity that the rear wall collapsed within an hour after flames were first discovered. The brick fire wall between the sections saved the other two sections from destruction, but a few mattresses caught on fire in the center section and there was considerable damage from smoke and water.

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Rev. R. W. Roundy Guest Speaker At MCA Sunday Service

Reverend Rodney W. Roundy, Superintendent of the Congregational Christian Conference of Maine, will be the guest speaker at the MCA services in the Little Theatre Sunday, Feb. 20, at 10:45 a.m.

The service will follow a special program in observance of Federation Day of Prayer called for students by the World's Student Christian Federation. This international student organization has movements in countries that now are at war with one another. It was founded in 1895 as an outgrowth of the Swedish Christian Movement.

Mr. Roundy graduated from Amherst College and from Yale Divinity School. Since then he has had pastorates in Hartford, Conn., Keene, New Hampshire, and Laconia, New Hampshire. Later he became associate secretary of American Missions in New York City. At present he is a cabinet member of the Missionary Council of Congregational and Christian Churches.

He was a leader in the men's embassy at Maine for two different years, and has represented his denomination on the advisory board of the Maine Christian Association for many years.

Barbara Bond Queen Of Snow Carnival

Barbara Bond, Balentine freshman, was crowned Queen of the Winter Carnival at the evening program of dancing held in Alumni Gymnasium, Saturday, Feb. 12. The crowning ceremony climaxed a day of skiing and snowshoe contests. President Arthur A. Hauck presented the crown, and the Queen's attendants were Mary Billings, Gwendolyn Cushing, Valerie Warren, Mary Libby, and Loraine Davis.

The Winter Carnival this year was strictly an intramural program which featured men's and women's competition in the traditional midwinter sports events. Participants included civilian students and members of the Army Specialized Training Program. Contests planned for Sunday afternoon at the skating rink were postponed because of the snow and the fire. Top women's honors in total points went to Balentine Hall, while Phi Mu Delta led the men.

Carnival ice skating events, which were snowed out, will be held this Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Results of the events Saturday afternoon were: Women's ski dash: First, Nancy Chase; second, Mary Libby; third, Mary Marble; fourth, Doris Foran; fifth, Valerie Warren. Men's ski dash: First, George Booth; second, Donald Fuller; third, Phelps.

Women's snowshoe dash: First, Elizabeth Jameson; second, Mary Bu-

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Sporting Goods

NHH Turns Back Sigma Nu 42-36 In Close Court Tilt

By Pvt. Frank Howe

Only four games last week, all played on Saturday afternoon. This will mean that the schedule for the few remaining week-ends will have to be pretty well crowded. It may also be the deciding factor as to whether there will be post season play-offs or not.

North Hannibal Hall and Sigma Nu started it off last Saturday and from the beginning it was a fast, interesting, tight ball game with the final score favoring the Hannibal boys 42-36. After a nip and tuck first quarter the eventual winners pulled ahead slightly and although they were threatened several times they kept in front for the rest of the way. In the closing minutes Sigma Nu's quintet sparked by Wilber, their mainstay forward, came to life and began an impressive rally, but it wasn't quite enough to turn the tide. These two boys scored 10 and 8 apiece while Dempsey and McGrogan marked up the scoreboard with 14 and 12 respectively. Beres and Berner did the refereeing.

At the same time Sigma Chi and H.H. Center were matching wits and baskets in another even closer contest which was finally carried off by SC 58-54. It was close all the way with the quarter scores reading 14-12, 29-24, and 43-40. Ledford for the winners was still up to his usual form and scored 30 points while Castellon nearly matched him with 26 for the losing club. The boys committed 14 fouls and made five of them good.

It might just as well have been the Yankees and the Phillies in the third game as Center Oak's speedsters knocked down Delta Tau Delta and dragged home an 85-32 win. It was another one of those walkaway contests that have been coming along so often this season. The half time score favored the winners 46-16, and neither

Masque To Present 'Valiant' Tonight

The Masque has struggled valiantly during these last few days to prepare its 6:40 Players in two short productions to be presented shortly.

"The Valiant" is the name of the production which is to be presented this Thursday and Friday, February 17 and 18. Warden Holt is by Fred Wentworth; Father Daly, George Latham; Dan, the jailer, Glenn Mann; Dyke, the prisoner, Archie Greer; and Josephine Paris, Jeanne Ross. The show is being directed by Ruth Higgins.

Then, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week, the 6:40 Players are presenting a variety show which seems to be surrounded by an air of mystery. After continued questioning as to its content, Prof. Bricker, the director of the Masque, finally admitted that it would be "quite good." It evidently is to be a comedy show.

side did much worrying as to who was going to win. Johnson with 22 and Milazzo with 20 scored high for the Oakies while Bebee got 9 up for DTD.

Theta Chi Kept right on the ball again this week and continued their winning streak 46-36 over East Oak. Ralph Howe was Theta Chi's big man with 13. Taylor and Ayers each accounted for 10. On the losing side Bolte chalked up 11 and Stewart and Hilton each tossed in 8. There were 13 fouls in this contest.

Although the big game of the week was to have been the Caissons and North Hall, neither team was at full strength and it was decided to postpone it until this Saturday at 3:30. The two clubs did play a practice game however and the Caissons won it by 6 points. The contest this week will be the one to see and we will stick out our necks and predict the Caissons. We've been wrong before. We may be again.

ASTP And V-12 Qualifying Exams Scheduled March 15

The third Army-Navy college qualifying test for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program V-12 which will be given throughout the country on Wednesday, March 15, at 9:00 a.m., will be administered at the University of Maine, Percy F. Crane, director of admissions, announced today.

A leaflet of general information which contains an admission-identification form may be obtained at the office of Director Crane, Alumni Hall. This form properly filled out will admit to the test students between the ages of 17 and 21 inclusive who are high school graduates or who will be graduated by July 1, 1944. Intent to take the test should be made known immediately to Mr. Crane in order that the necessary test supplies may be ordered.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training and all qualified students are urged to take the test. At the time of the test each candidate will be given a choice of service preference, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

The Army Specialized Training Program is aimed to meet the Army's needs for specialists and technicians in certain critical fields of study. Academic work is at the college level at government expense.

The Navy College Program also enables students to continue academic training at government expense. Successful completion of the prescribed courses may, following further officer training, lead to a commission in the Navy.

Cracking Ice

By Pvt. Keith W. Feather

The technique of skating is based on fundamentals. Most important of these are stroking, change of weight, leaning, and proper carriage. The transformation from skate-walking to stroking is like learning to walk all over again.

Picture the beginner who has turned from using inside edges of his blades to outside edges, but is having more and more trouble. His carriage is most unlike that used in walking, for when he gets on skates he throws his arms forward, bends at the waist, and attempts to shift his weight across an eighteen inch straddle with each step. This skater will tell you that skating is hard work, that his ankles are weak, and that he has no control of his edges. Each statement is correct because he is not applying fully the principles and technique of true skating.

In plain skating the body should be balanced over the skate at all times, with head up, eyes looking ahead and knees slightly bent. In the side view a straight line could be drawn through the head, employed hip, and the center of the arch of the foot.

The impressive thing about the recent senior dance champions of New York State was the fact that they put three times as much practice on plain skating as upon the dance practice itself. Their perfect balance gave the illusion that they were floating throughout the dances.

The one thing that will advance the beginner most rapidly is parallel take-offs. Let's follow the movements of a skater as he strokes from a right outside forward edge to a left outside forward edge, using the parallel take-off. While he is on his right foot he is leaning to the right. As he sets his left foot along side the right he starts a rockover, a change of weight and lean, which is completed as he lifts the right foot off the ice. Even before all the weight has been transferred to the left foot the skater is leaning to the left. This lean helps the skater to aim each stroke. By aiming each stroke to the right or left (not straight ahead) the skater gains control of his edges.

If the feet aren't parallel and as close together as possible when this change of weight occurs there is a constant struggle back and forth across the resulting straddle.

Remember the motto of *Skating Review*, a national skating magazine, "The Better You Skate the More Fun You'll Have."

Mansfield State Teachers college has delegated a group of regular instructors from its music department to serve part-time in public schools of its area. (ACP)

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EDITOR'S NOTE—This is your column, soldiers, and yours alone. It is open to anyone in AST Unit #1145 who has anything to say, and by anything, we mean just that—poetry, anecdotes, gossip, letters to the editor, reasonable gripes, etc., etc. So, just keep your stuff coming—bring your material to the *Campus* office in the MCA building.

WHY I FIGHT

Why I Fight is a darned poor topic for a guy in AST to talk about. But then there's always the possibility or rather inevitability of that guy getting in on some of the fighting.

So I'll advance some of my own ideas on the subject and perhaps hit one or two of the reasons why you fight too.

Remember back before Pearl Harbor, before gas rationing when you used to take the old flivver down to the filling station and say, "Gimme 11¢ worth, Joe." Then you'd head over to the gal's house only to find her out with the star fullback. . . . That doesn't happen any more.

Then remember when you'd be upstairs at your desk trying to do some homework for a change, and you'd hear the gang outside yelling and raising Cain. You'd grab your coat and dash out of the house shouting "Be back later, Mom." Then you and the gang would go down to the "club" and order a couple of "Budweisers." That doesn't happen any more.

Then too, remember when toward the end of the week when your funds had temporarily run out; the big dance of the year was coming up that weekend and you'd go in to Dad and say, "Pops, have you got an extra ten spot?" Dad would reach into his pocket and pull out the ten spot say-

ing, "You'll have to do better than this, son."

"Yeah, Pop, it won't happen again." But sure as the devil you'd be back next weekend, maybe just for fifty cents, but you'd be back and he knew it.

There's a darned heavy income tax now and that doesn't happen any more either.

There are a lot of other little things that I'm fighting for, little things that I've done and others have done too, things that I want to know my kids will be able to do and their kids will be able to do too.

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—Pfc. Richard Bork

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Schedule of Examinations, Feb. 28--March 3

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Time of Examination	MON. Feb. 28 8.00	TUES. Feb. 29 8.00	WED. March 1 8.00	THURS. March 2 8.00	FRI. March 3 8.00	FRI. March 3 10.30	FRI. March 3 2.00	FRI. March 3 2.00
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Time of Examination	FRI. March 3 8.00							

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Eh 19b	Expository Writing	Fri. March 3	10:30 A.M.	4 Stevens South
He 1b	Int. to Home Economics I, II	Wed. March 1	2:00 P.M.	32 Merrill
He 2	Clothing Selection Problems I, II	Thurs. March 2	2:00 P.M.	32 Merrill
He 5b	Laboratory I, II	Thurs. March 2	8:00 A.M.	32 Merrill
He 63	Nutrition I, II	Tues. Feb. 29	8:00 A.M.	16 Merrill
Hy 3b	U. S. History I, II	Tues. Feb. 29	10:30 A.M.	15 Coburn
Hy 5b	Hist. of Western Europe I, II, III	Wed. March 1	10:30 A.M.	6 Stevens South
Mc 13b	Orchestration	Fri. March 3	4:00 P.M.	17 Stevens North
Ms 1b	Freshman Math. II, III	Thurs. March 2	8:00 A.M.	Women's Gym
Ms 1c	Freshman Math. I, II	Mon. Feb. 28	8:00 A.M.	15 Coburn
My 1b	Modern Society	Mon. Feb. 28	10:30 A.M.	Women's Gym
Ps 1a, Ps 1b	General Physics	Tues. Feb. 29	2:00 P.M.	300 Aubert
Py 1b	Gen. Psychology I, II, III, IV	Thurs. March 2	4:00 P.M.	300 Aubert
Py 1c	Gen. Psychology I, II	Fri. March 3	2:00 P.M.	35 Stevens North
Sh 1a, I, II, 1b	Public Speaking	Thurs. March 2	10:30 A.M.	6 Stevens South
Sp 1b	Elem. Spanish I, II, III	Wed. March 1	4:00 P.M.	15 Coburn
Sy 1b	Prin. of Sociology I, III	Tues. Feb. 29	4:00 P.M.	300 Aubert

Registrar Announces Procedure For Spring Term Registration

Advanced registration for the spring term is scheduled for next week and payments may be made until March 4, according to information posted today by James A. Gannett, registrar.

College of Agriculture

Freshmen in agriculture register with Professor Dorsey on Monday or Tuesday afternoon, February 21-22. Forestry students register with Professor Demeritt on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 22-23.

Home Economics students register by appointment given on sheets to be

posted on the bulletin board in Merrill Hall. Professor Dorsey will be available for signing cards February 21 to 26.

College of Arts and Sciences

All students are expected to register on February 22, 23, or 24, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, as they may arrange appointments with their advisers.

College of Technology

Seniors in chemistry and chemical engineering see Professor Brann on Wednesday or Friday, February 23 or 25. Juniors in chemical engineering see Professor Jenness by appointment. Juniors in chemistry see Professor Bogan on February 21 or 23, Monday or Wednesday. Sophomores in chemical engineering see Professor Caulfield on Tuesday or Thursday, February 22 or 24 from 9 a.m. to 12 M. Sophomores in chemistry see Professor Bogan on February 21 or 23, Monday or Wednesday.

All students in civil engineering see Professor Evans on Monday or Wednesday, February 21 or 23, from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. All students in electrical engineering see Professor Barrows February 24 and 25, Thursday or Friday afternoon.

All students in engineering physics see Professor Bennett any afternoon during the week of February 21 to 26. All students in general engineering see Dean Cloke by appointment from February 21 to February 26, not later than noon on February 26.

All students in mechanical engineering see Professor Watson as follows: juniors and seniors on Monday or Friday p.m. 1 to 4, February 21 or 25; sophomores on Tuesday or Thursday p.m. 1 to 4, February 22 or 24. All students in pulp and paper technology see Professor Bray on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, February 21, 23, or 25, from 10 to 11 a.m., and on Tuesday or Thursday, February 22 or 24, from 9 to 10 a.m.

Freshmen in all courses in engineering register with Professor Kent Thursday to Saturday, February 24 to 26, in class or at his office.

School of Education

Students see Dean Smith from Tuesday, February 22 to Friday, February 25, inclusive.

The treasury department will be open for registration each day from Friday, February 25 to Saturday, March 4, inclusive, from 8 to 12 and 1:30 to 4 p.m., except on Saturday when registration will be from 8 to 12 M.

Lost Articles May Be Claimed At Registrar's Office

A variety of pins, pens, spectacles, scarfs, etc. have been turned in at the Registrar's office in the Administration Building and may be claimed there by the owners.

Sixteen fountain pens, six eversharps, two jackknives, five keys, bottle nail polish, 2 6 in. celluloid rulers, plain sterling silver ring, pair pearls, sharpshooters medal (rifle), gold pin (initials JCL), gold identification bracelet (initials HCB), pair novelty beads, black billfold containing Bangor pass-Dec. 18 and some money, change purse with change.

Two girls' pocketbooks, two leather cigarette cases, lettering triangle, change purse containing bills and some change, shoe check, five glasses cases, three glasses cases containing glasses, two pairs glasses, two pairs colored glasses, celluloid slide which goes on a slide ruler, eight scarves, ski cap, three men's right-hand gloves, man's left-hand glove.

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Why Isolate It?

Saturday was a day full of fun, laughter, and general merriment. We jumped and frolicked in the snow like children all over again. We went skiing, we threw snow balls, shoved each other into snow banks, danced, laughed,—and forgot.

We were returning from a good time in Bangor, feeling quite happy—we were in Estabrooke, or Phi Kappa Sigma, or Oak Hall just getting to sleep after talking over the day's fun and the evening's date—and sort of forgetting. Tragedy and horror was still only a news broadcast grown commonplace—so commonplace that we hardly heard it—like the incessant roaring of a large engine, or the ticking of an alarm clock.

The next thing we knew we were standing stunned in a road looking at a grotesque symbol that seemed to dance like a million gleeful devils, reminding us that they too like to have something to say in the shaping of events. Winter carnivals and dates in Bangor never happened; our world was a confused babble of voices, a roaring fire, dying men, and a sky full of clinkers.

Some said "how unnecessary" it all was; that, they said, was the true element of tragedy. But why isolate it? Let it serve as a reminder that the peaceful Maine countryside is no different from a peaceful French countryside, or Chinese, or Russian, or Polish countryside where fire and death could have also been prevented—no different from a world in which confused voices and a flaming sky are also unnecessary.

That is why our laughter of the day before seemed so incongruous to us—it didn't seem possible that such contrasts were really part of the same world. How many of us are willing to believe that such things can really be prevented? Are we still prone to accept an Eastern fatalism in Western trappings—that things like a fire in Maine or a battle at Cassino, or a famine in India are merely the inexorable results of a complex of causes and effects over which we have no control? Or are we willing to believe that we have at our fingertips the means for shaping a better destiny?

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Fill the Steins —TO MAINE MEN IN THE SERVICE—

Pfc. Dwight Sawin, Jr., has been transferred from Parris Island to Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C.... Pfc. Charles O'Connell, who was formerly at Lowrey Field, Denver, Colo., is now at Wendover Field, Utah.... A/C Joseph LaPointe is beginning on his last phase of cadet bombardier training at Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

A/C Elmer Folsom's new address is Sq. C 4, 58th FTD, Orangeburg, S. C.... A/C Robert Hasty has been moved to Strother Field, Kan., from Brady, Tex.... The present address of A/C Virgil Cole is Ellington Field, Tex.

Lieut. David Harding, previously stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., has been transferred to Yuma, Ariz.... Pfc. Alton Frost's address is 2D SVC Laboratory, 90 Church Street, New York City.... Pvt. Oliver M. Randall has left Camp Edwards, Mass., and is now attending Kenyon College, at Gambier, Ohio.... Pfc. Richard Cutts is now at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.... William Brennan has been moved from Miami Beach to Turner Field, Albany, Mo.

Recent overseas addresses have been received from Joseph Young and Hollis Ramsdell, Jr.... On campus last week were two 1942 graduates, Pfc. Mildred and Pvt. Joan Chapman of the Marines.

Corp. Alvin Littlefield is at Camp Barkeley, Tex.... At Miami Beach in the AAFTC, BTC is Corp. Hal La Croix.... Pfc. Harry Kagan has moved west from Lincoln, Neb., to Inglewood, Calif.

Cadet Clyde Braley is continuing pilot training at Greenwood Army Air Field, Greenwood, Miss.... Allen Torrey received his commission as a second lieutenant this week at Columbus Army Air Field, Columbus, Miss.

The following alumni in the services have sent in their changes in address: T/5 Philip T. MacGown, Hd. Dct., 316 Ord. Bn., APO No. 9570, c/o Postmaster, New York City; Pvt. William J. Brennan, 908 T. G. Flight 82F AAFTC #1, Miami Beach, Fla.; Pvt. Royal S. Graves, Univ. of Mich., PO Box 309, Lisbon Falls, Maine; Pfc. Wallace J. Leahy, Co. D., 97th Div. 303rd Inf., Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.; Pfc. Robert Harlow, Co. G, 391st Inf., APO 98th Div., Camp Rucker, Ala.

New Scholarship Given University By Gray Estate

A new scholarship has been established under the will of the late Stanley D. Gray, a native of Brooksville, Maine, and former principal of a school in Haverhill, Mass., President Arthur A. Hauck announced today.

Accumulated income from the estate to the amount of \$2,000 has been forwarded to the University by Miss Lula L. Eames, trustee under the will of Mr. Gray. Either the mother or father of each applicant must be a Gray descended from one of that name who settled in Hancock County, Maine, prior to 1800. The scholarships will be given to those who are worthy of such aid.

The will and its provisions have been brought to the attention of the Hancock County school system, and principals of Hancock schools who know of worthy candidates who would qualify under the terms outlined in Mr. Gray's will have been requested to write to Percy F. Crane, director of admissions, who is secretary of the scholarship committee.

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POLITICAL SCENE

By Elbridge Burton Davis

The Democrats, who are a very rare breed in this part of the country, recently bestirred themselves to the extent of announcing that a state convention would be held in Lewiston on March 24. They have also selected a new chairman, Thomas N. Curran of Bangor, proprietor of the well-known Curran Company Boot Shop, and are said to be trying to whip the party organization into shape for the coming elections.

Although it has been facetiously remarked that the Lewiston conclave at the local auditorium could probably have been held just as conveniently in any handy phone booth, the fact that any meeting at all is being planned indicates that there is still at least a spark of life left in the Maine Democracy. Even among the Democrats, however, there is a feeling that this spark may be completely snuffed out this fall. Their own journalistic voice, Fulton Redman, writing in the Portland Telegram, not long ago gave expression to just this fear that the present Democratic organization in Maine may gasp out its life before the end of the year.

McLEAN FOR GOVERNOR

A current report, which appears to be authentic, is that Ernest L. McLean, an Augusta attorney, will be the Democratic candidate for governor, an office which he unsuccessfully sought in 1926. There has been great difficulty in finding anyone willing to undertake a campaign in which he is forced to play the part of a sacrificial goat, but one apparently has been found at last.

There is no senatorial contest this year, but there are three seats to be filled in the national House of Representatives. In the First District (comprising the four southernmost

counties) Andrew Pettis, president of the CIO Shipbuilding & Marine Workers Union at the South Portland shipyards, is seeking both the Republican and Democratic nominations for Congress, but the Democratic leaders are hoping to enter a candidate of their own against him as they do not relish the idea of Pettis, who is an enrolled Republican and Treasurer of the Republican City Committee of Portland, securing the nomination by default. Incidentally he is also persona non grata to the regular Republican organization which is supporting Rep. Robert Hale for re-election.

FEEBLE BRAYS

In the Second District which cuts roughly through the center of the state, and in the Third, which is composed of Eastern and Northern Maine, no prospective candidates have come forward as yet. But some effort is being made to secure them. The difficulty which the Democrats face is more obvious when it is remembered that the territory which now makes up the third district has forsaken its traditional Republicanism only once in the past 85 years. From the present outlook the only conclusion that can be drawn is that the Maine donkey is a very sick animal indeed and his prospects for survival are extremely gloomy.

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Campus Brevities . . .

Interviews with the Celanese Corporation were conducted last Friday for ten senior majors in chemistry and chemical engineering. This company, located in Cumberland, Maryland, is a leading manufacturer of synthetic textiles, celanese fabrics, etc. and other cellulose products.

All MCA members who are interested are urged to attend the weekly commissions meetings held each Thursday night in the MCA building at 7 p.m. Following the individual meetings this Thursday, a general meeting of all the groups will be held in the reading room.

Those not already active in MCA work should select a commission and start attending the meetings. These meetings are open to all members of the MCA, both soldier and civilian, and to all students on campus who are interested in joining.

These meetings furnish the only opportunity for the commissions to meet as a group and for the entire membership to get together.

Buy War Stamps and Bonds

All members of the MCA and all AST students on campus are invited to attend the Wednesday morning service held each week at 7 a.m. in the MCA chapel. The service is led by a student each time, and breakfast is served afterward in the kitchen. The breakfast charge is ten cents. These weekly gatherings offer an opportunity for meditation and directed worship during the week.

Dr. Milford E. Wence spoke to Sigma Mu Sigma at the regular meeting of the group Tuesday evening on "Psychology and Literature."

Three different speed-up plans for students who will enter the armed forces have been made available at the University of Omaha. (ACP)

University of North Carolina's college of war training has the same relative position in the university as any other academic school. (ACP)

Oldest continuous university on the Western Hemisphere is the Colegio de San Nicolas founded in 1540 in Mexico. (ACP)

Two Soldiers - -

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Charles E. Crossland, University business manager, estimated the building loss at \$35,000 covered by insurance. This does not include the loss of Army equipment and the personal belongings of soldiers. Colonel Ben Stafford was able to secure some clothing from Dow Field for destitute soldiers. There were enough vacancies in the other barracks occupied by the ASTP to house all of the men.

County, state, and military authorities have spent the week conducting two probes into the causes of the fire. A military board of inquiry appointed by Colonel Stafford has been taking testimony since Sunday from all soldiers in and around the dormitory that night. Colonel Morton Smith of Boston, director of AST training for the First Service Command, inspected the ruins and remaining sections of Hannibal Hamlin Monday and conferred with Colonel Stafford.

The second probe was conducted under the direction of County Attorney Randolph A. Weatherbee in cooperation with the office of the State insurance commissioner and military authorities. Testimony heard by a board of inquiry indicated that the conflagration may have originated on the ground floor.

Hannibal Hamlin Hall was erected in 1911, named for Hannibal Hamlin of Bangor, first president of the University board of trustees.

SHE Does It

By Lala Jones

The inter-Dorm basketball tournament came to an end last week with the undefeated Elms taking over the win column. This team was one of the best combination teams that have ever romped the floors of the Alumni Gym. Despite the use of every girl at practically every game, each combination cooperated as a unit and won all six games. High scorer for the Elms is Ruth Stearns with a grand total of 75 points for the five games in which she played.

Second in the tournament are the Balentine Pretzels with only one loss; high scorer is Margaret Boynton, with a total of 82 points for the six games played.

The standing in the tournament is as follows with each team playing six games: Elms, 6; Balentine Pretzels, 5; South Estabrooke, 4; Colvin, 3; Off-Campus Women, 1; North Estabrooke, 1; Balentine Down, 1.

Bunny Burnet announces that an interclass basketball game between the juniors and seniors will be played Friday afternoon at 4:15 in the Alumni Gym.

The weekly surveys taken by the WAA Health Program prove that Maine gals are still burning the midnight oil; and this is because they aren't budgeting their time.

Dorm Tragedy - -

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students, and ASTP reservists. Soldiers were seen driving trucks, manning hose lines, welding axes, and directing firemen to hydrants.

PERKINS LEADS DETAIL

Marine Lt. Marlowe Perkins, Maine '43, who was visiting the campus last week, led a detail of seven soldiers to the roof of Center Hannibal where they remained for the duration of the fire, directing a stream of water against the flames that tried to spread across the roof over the fire wall.

Perkins praised the men with him. He said he thought "they must have been artillery men, because they stationed themselves at vantage points, looking for danger spots, bringing them to the notice of the men on the hose, like observers for field pieces."

Pvt. Jim Dowis of 'B' Company suffered burns about the face when he directed a stream from a fire extinguisher against flames spreading through the eaves.

Soldiers and civilians, working in reliefs, spent hours holding hose lines on the rear fire escape. The men were coated with ice within a few minutes.

Behind the scenes of the grotesque drama little bits of ironical humor were noticed. One man was seen wandering aimlessly around, scantily clad, but under one arm was his radio and under the other was his log duplex slide-rule. Other men threw radios from the fourth floor of Center Hannibal, not realizing what they were doing.

But behind this apparent confusion, it was evident that the military training and discipline had its effect on the men. Every man who was in North Hannibal at the time spoke highly of his buddies, pointing out that the men left the building in orderly fashion, each man making sure his roommates were awake at the time.

Carnival - -

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ker; third, Marion Crocker; fourth, Margaret Asker; fifth, Martha O'Brien.

Women's one-ski novelty: First, Barbara Vaughn; second, Elizabeth Jameson; third, Valerie Warren; fourth, Martha O'Brien; fifth, Madeline Ellingwood.

Men's ski dash: First, Donald Fuller; second, Robert R. Duncan; third, John Yorke.

Men's novelty ski dash: First, Robert Duncan; second, George Baker; third, Donald Fuller; fourth, John Yorke; fifth, Kenneth Prestrud.

Men's novelty climb: First, George Booth; second, Donald Fuller; third, Phelps.

Men's slalom: First, William Gibson; second, Donald Stebbins; third, William Bickford.

Ski jumping: First, Donald Stebbins; second, Kenneth Prestrud; third, William Bickford.

Women's novelty ski climb: First, Mary Spangler; second, Frances Higgins; third, Lala Jones; fourth, Barbara Vaughn; fifth, Elizabeth Jameson.

Beginner's women's slalom: First, Mary Marble; second, Rosanna Chute; third, Margaret Googins.

Advanced women's slalom: First, Mary Libby; second, Frances Higgins; third, Mary Spangler.

Team results: Men, Phi Mu Delta 20; East Oak 14; Phi Gamma Delta 9; Center Oak 5; Phi Kappa Sigma 5; Sigma Chi 4; North Hall 3; Sigma Nu 1; Phi Eta Kappa 1.

Women: Balentine Hall 56; Colvin Hall 18; Elms 7; South Estabrooke 5.

The Gong Bongs

Many quips and questions have been proffered as to the regular tolling of the old campus bell at 10:15 each Sabbath morn. For the benefit of those querulous questioners who lie abed, lacking the ambition to probe the matter further, the bell is rung thirty minutes in advance of the weekly Sunday Service in the Little Theatre.



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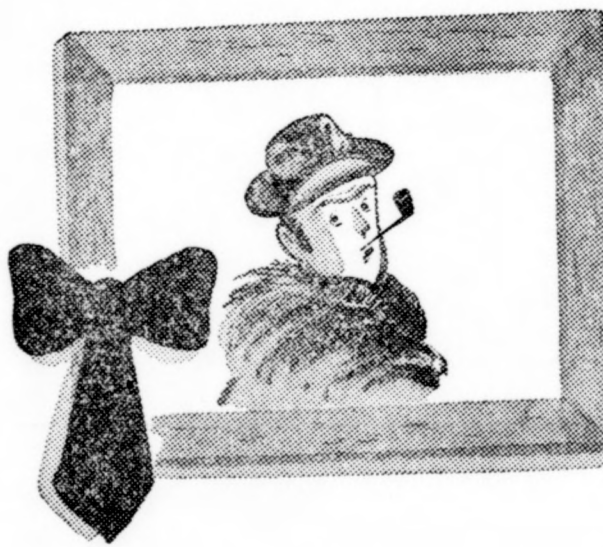
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Bears Entrench For Clashes With Huskies, Rams

Rhody and Keaney Big Attraction

By Bob Krause

The University of Maine basketball team will climax its brief season in the next five days with two traditional contests against out of state invaders. Interest is high, both on and off campus, in the games with famed Rhode Island State on Washington's Birthday and Northeastern this Saturday night, the 19th. Both tests will start at 8:00 p.m. and the Northeastern clash will be preceded by a preliminary battle. This will begin at 6:30 and will be between a club made up of Air Corps Reservists at the University and an opponent as yet undecided upon.

As in all previous years the visit of Rhode Island to Orono is the highlight of the campaign. The Rams, coached by Frank Keaney, who is just as famous as the teams he turns out, are known throughout the country for their spectacular high-speed and higher scoring type of play. Keaney himself is always a crowd pleaser with his antics before and during games. His outfit this year is no exception to the usual caliber—despite wartime curtailments of athletics. Three times they have topped the century mark with totals of 106, 118, and 125. Even in defeat the Rhodies have not dipped under fifty to enable them to retain their two-points-a-minute reputation.

Star of the Kingston five is the sensational Ernie Calverly, of Pawtucket. In the past two years this slight sharpshooter has established himself as one of the foremost stars of the nation. At a mere 140 pounds he is possibly the best shot in collegiate circles. In seventeen contests thus far played, Calverly has scored over 350 points—or more than twenty per outing. Last Saturday, against Northeastern, he reached his peak with 48 bullseyes. As if this were not enough, Keaney recently added a new member to the aggregation. This recruit from a New York high school, Johnny Nuszer by name, hit for 29 points in his first engagement.

CALVERLY TOPS

To aid and abet them these two wonders have such standouts as Bob Shea and Nat Federico—two of the best shots and play-makers in the East. Also assisting will be Stan Pomerantz, another Manhattan product, and two more new acquisitions in Gaines and Stutzman. So far Rhode Island possesses victories over Northeastern, Brown, St. Joseph's of Philadelphia, and several service teams. They have been stopped by Connecticut, Long Island University, St. Joseph's, and by St. John's University of Brooklyn in Madison Square Garden. Calverly was voted the best performer seen in that arena all year.

Maine will be definitely handicapped with the departure of Storer Parsons and Ray Cook to the Navy, and the chances against Rhode Island and her race horse speed and brilliant passing rest mainly with Captain Charlie Norton. With the loss of Parsons the tall guard must take on the offensive as well as the defensive burden. On the New England trip the Keaneymen took the Pale Blue by 91 to 52—but the Bears were without the services of Norton due to his ankle injury. The Bears held Calverly to his second lowest total of the season and it remains to be seen as to whether or not they can improve on that this time.

Coach Sezak is also counting heavily on Fred Niedenstein to play a large part, and he is grooming five freshmen, Ackley, Ranger, Stuart, Gleason, and MacDonald, for immediate use. Once again Curt McClellan, Hal Parady, and Nick Johns will see a major part of the action.

HUSKIES EQUAL

A much closer contest is in prospect when "Foxy" Flumere brings his Northeastern Huskies to Memorial Gym. The Pale Blue were barely nosed out on the southern trip in Bos-



CHARLIE NORTON

ton by Flumere's men, 59 to 57. The Black Bears might have been victorious had they not tossed away six shots in the final forty seconds. Both clubs have been taken by Rhode Island by almost identical margins and an evenly fought battle is predicted. The players on the squad have been pointing for this test for some time and a grudge fight is in view. As has been said Sezak will have the services of a healthy Norton for the evening.

Northeastern's ace is giant, 6 foot 3 inch center Mario "Marty" Alves. The Huskies feature a deliberate screening attack and Alves has made a habit of getting twenty points a night out of the "bucket." Other stars are high-scoring forwards Bill Robbitts and Johnny Smialek. Guards are flashy Jim Connors and Carl Mellea.

Flumere's team has beaten some service quintets, has been defeated by Worcester Tech and Connecticut as well as Rhode Island. They are slated to take on either Bates or Bowdoin before coming to Orono. Northeastern is playing a schedule much the same as is Maine in that fewer games are listed due to restrictions.

Field Service Seeks Ambulance Drivers

Men who cannot get into military service with United States forces may take an active part in the war as ambulance drivers. The American Field Service provides a complete service of ambulance and volunteer drivers to any army of the United Nations in need of help in rescuing their wounded. Men are now needed in Italy, India, and probably eventually France.

Volunteers must be classified as 4F, 4H, 1C, or 1-A-L in order to be accepted, as only men can be used who are not needed by the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force. American Field Service physical requirements must be met, however. Applicants should be between the ages of 18 and 45. Minors will be accepted only with their parents' consent. Applicants must also know how to drive and should have knowledge of auto mechanics.

Ambulance drivers and stretcher bearers will be attached to the British Armies in war zones overseas.

BEAR FACTS by Bob Krause

It may or may not be news but, in case a l'il birdie hasn't told you yet, your basketball team will be without the services of Tote Parsons and Ray Cook for the rest of the campaign. Perhaps you wondered why you didn't see them against Colby last night. Well, they've both left to be sailors for a while—first as crew-members of the Bates V-12 battleship and, later on, maybe they'll really get seasick. As a result of their departure it remains to be seen whether or not the "Maine" will be sunk all over again—this time on dry land.

But, as the driver said when the gasoline truck turned over: "Oil is not lost." (Sorry. True, it would be a little silly to say that these two, particularly Parsons, will not be missed. The Presque Isle Annie Oakley was fast turning into one of the finest players in the history of the school, and many fans considered him to be one of the best shots in the east when he was having a good night. Cook was a dependable floorman, although he was somewhat dwarfed by the bigger boys.

Regardless of these facts, we are pretty sure that you have noticed that the Bear has developed a new claw. Yes, that's right, it's the Mouse—Charlie Norton. Those who have seen the Pale Blue captain in action realize that they are looking at a definitely superior performer. We predict (showing great courage) that Mouse will have a good deal more than a squeak in affairs of the near future.

Well, we've been warning you about the thing for a long time now. So, next Tuesday in Memorial Gym, you'll see just why we've been waving the red flag. Ringmaster Frank Keaney is bringing his traveling wild animal act to town in the person of the Rhode Island Rams. You better bring along a little stout twine to tie yourself to your seat because the evening is likely to be one of the breeziest since the year of the big wind. Might also warn you to stay away if you have hay fever. The Kingston Killers usually kick up plenty of dust as they stalk their victims around the court.

Seeing Keaney's men in action is really quite an experience. If you've ever watched your kid brother in the back yard playing "Commandos" or some such violent game then you've also probably heard him yelling the following exclamations: "Bang! Bang! Boom!" Well, the Rhodies make a little different noise. The dialogue goes something like this: "Bang! Bang! Basket!" (repeat any number of times). It's really as simple as all that, too. A member of the opposing team takes a shot and misses. At this point some hairy brute bounds into the air and takes the ball off the boards. He slams a pass to a teammate at midcourt. Another sizzling heave, to the foul line this time. Then a shot—usually by that eminent piece of delicate china, Mr. Calverly—and you'll be safe if you rack up two more for his club.

To make things even more unpleasant for the enemy, Rhode Island is a good deal like the measles. If you should succeed in stopping one member of the aggregation another gentleman will be sure to break out in a rash—of points. It had been thought that, if Calverly could be throttled, then the Rams might be held to a respectable score. But this does not seem to hold. Keaney makes certain that he "hires" ball players who can shoot as well as run. Men like Shea, Federico, and Nuszer can be counted on to enter the adolescent stage—over twelve. Incidentally, we cannot over-estimate the ability of the undernourished-appearing Calverly.

As to what Maine will do against

Rhode Island we will not attempt to say. We'll just repeat that the presence of Norton should make a difference over the first meeting. It is likely



ERNIE CALVERLY

that the Bears will be inspired by the type of opposition that they are facing. Last year the Pale Blue came within eight points of the miracle, and they have always put on a good show.

Let's not forget, there will be another extremely interesting battle this Saturday evening. We don't want you to get the idea that the floor will be covered with blood by the time it is all over, but the Black Grizzly and the Northeastern Huskie will not be going after each other with cream puffs at fifty paces. The boys were pretty peeved at dropping that first struggle in the last forty painful seconds and they will be swinging for keeps this time—as is the habit in contests with the Boston school. We are going to side with the squad in

the feeling that they can take this second engagement. But it is not going to be easy. Once more it will depend on the job of guarding Norton can do on the biggest Huskie of all—Alves, the powerful center.

Before leaving the subject of Northeastern we must make some mention of their vivacious coach—"Foxy" Flumere. If you have seen Foxy in action before you will surely pardon us if we make the following suggestion. Just make sure that a large bucket of snow is placed near the Huskie bench.

Well, the plot of every story is supposed to reach some kind of a climax. Coach Sezak is girding his somewhat battered forces for the final big push. Fred Niedenstein, in particular, along with Curt McClellan, Hal Parady, and Nick Johns are counted on for heavy duty. Niedenstein and Norton are to be depended on to carry the guns—the others the ammunition. They will get help if McClellan is "hot." The unit of enthusiastic seventeen-year-olds will be used to push the other side hard at the proper time—and they'll know they've been pushed, too.

It was a rather dull tea party last night in Memorial Gym which saw the Pale Blue pull the tail off the Colby Mule to the tune of 53 to 29. But, if nothing else, the Bears got a bit of training for the future. Freshman Dick Ackley certainly came into his own as he punched through 19 points to emerge high scorer.

Faculty manager of athletics Ted Curtis was elected chairman of the executive committee of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association at a meeting of that organization in Boston over the week-end. Post war plans and spring schedules were among the important topics discussed at the gathering.

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