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500 Soldiers Begin Study Here April 1, Will Use Orphan Asylum As Barracks

Many ERC Men To Stay Here Till Term Ends

Although College students in the Army Enlisted Reserve Corps began receiving their orders for active duty Friday, many Army ERC enrollees will not be called until March or April, and others will stay till June, Professor William G. Crane, Armed Forces Representative at the College, told *The Campus* in an interview yesterday.

Pre-meds, Senior, Junior, and Sophomore Engineers, Advanced Corps ROTC men, and Aviation Cadets (Deferred Plan) will stay till June. Psychology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics majors may also fall into this classification. The rest (Business and Arts students) will be called up in small groups, the last of them probably leaving in April.

About 1800 College men are in the various reserves; 1200 in the Army ERC, 230 in the Army Air Force, 190 in the Advanced ROTC, and the rest in the Navy V-1 and V-7, Medical Corps, and Marines.

Enlistments in V-1 are still open to 17 year olds, and applications for Meteorology are also being accepted, it was announced.

Army Call Hits 'Campus' Staff; Writers Needed

The Campus masthead was depleted by more than graduation during the last two weeks. Four staff members, including Alfred Lerner '44, Business Manager-elect were called by the Army Air Corps. Students who wish to try for any of the three staffs—news, sports, or business—will meet for their first candidates' class Thursday Feb. 18 at 12:30 in 16 Main. No previous experience in newspaper work is necessary.

Ira L. Neiger '43 was elected editor-in-chief at the final staff meeting last term. Others elected were Robert Rothstein '45, managing editor; Richard Cohen '43, associate editor; Abe Rosenthal '44, news editor; Herb Rosenblum '45, sports editor; Israel Levine '44, features editor; Bernard Hochman '44 tech editor and Jack Roth '45 and George Sherry '44, copy editors.

Daniel Edelstein and Angelo Spallitta, both '46, were appointed to the Associate News Board in the last action of the outgoing Managing Board and Morton Asch '45 was promoted to the News Board.

The next issue of *The Campus* will appear on Thursday, Feb. 18 and every Thursday thereafter.

Five Hard Hit By Draft And Ineligibility

By JACK ROTH

Nat Holman and his Beavers are having their troubles. Hindered by losses to Uncle Sam and ineligibility lists, the Lavender Quintet has had to struggle through their tilts without the services of three of their key men.

Hal Judenfriend, last term's captain, has completed his three years of varsity ball and must now watch the squad in play only from the side lines. The Army used their priority on both Lenny Lesser and Norm Drucker. Drucker is still playing basketball and throwing them in, only this time it's for Camp Upton. Both were called to the colors at the end of last term.

As if this were not enough to make Coach Nat Holman turn green, the squad has been presenting sub-par performances. Mike Shinkarik, the team center and new captain, has been reluctant to take his sets and has been missing his usual spark under the basket. In the loss to Hofstra on January 30, Evvie Finestone tried hard but fruitlessly, while Joe Lauren had an off evening.

The 55-49 loss to the Dutchmen was the first defeat suffered by the Beaver Cagemen on their home court in three years. The

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Expect Contract With Army By March 1, Wright States

By Richard Cohen

The Army will send 500 soldiers in uniform to study at the College beginning about April 1, *The Campus* learned exclusively last night.

Barracks will be set up in the Hebrew Orphan Asylum opposite Lewisohn Stadium, where the student-soldiers will be housed and fed.

Baseball, Tennis, Track Ready for New Season

Baseball, tennis, and track are rushing their seasons. Sam Winograd's varsity nine has already commenced spring training, and a call for varsity and JV candidates will be issued in about two weeks. Candidates should make arrangements immediately at the Hygiene Office for a physical exam.

The track squad, under the tutelage of Coach Tony Orlando, will compete in the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Indoor Championship Feb. 20 at the Garden.

Hard hit by the draft, Rad McCormick's natators resume action this Friday against Manhattan in the home pool.

7000 Register In Day Session

Seven thousand day session students will be attending classes today, a decrease of ten percent from last semester's total, according to the Registrar's office. This figure is proportionately much higher than at many other universities because of the great number of deferred engineering students, and the large amount enlisted in the various reserves or in the Advanced Course.

The incoming freshman class, however, was larger than last term's entering group despite the fact that the entrance requirement of an 80% high school average is only one point lower than last semester's. Among the 1325 entering freshmen are 30 engineering co-eds.

Sixty percent of the uptown enrollment are Tech students and most of the rest are taking science courses.

There will be no days off on Lincoln's Birthday or Washington's Birthday, but the spring vacation will take place as usual, it was also stated.

Final exams will begin on June 1 and re-exams for those who received "E" last term, March 1. The spring vacation begins April 19 and will last through the 27th.

Although a contract between the Army and the College has not yet been signed, it is expected that the Army will notify authorities here by the end of this month via a "letter of intent."

President Harry N. Wright confirmed yesterday the story that the Army is expected to offer a contract to the College for training soldiers here. Joseph D. McGoldrick, city comptroller, revealed that representatives of the Army, members of the Engineers Corps, inspected the facilities of the college with a view toward determining whether they would be able to take over the facilities, especially those in the School of Technology.

Army Reports Favorably

"It is known that these men reported favorably on the facilities at the College, especially those in the engineering division," Mr. McGoldrick declared. "Things have not yet been crystallized, however, and while my office has been consulted, there are no negotiations going on. "A definite decision by the Army had been expected by Feb. 1, but things were held up," the comptroller added.

City Will Take Over HOA

In regard to the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, Mr. McGoldrick disclosed that the city is in a position to move within a matter of hours to take over the orphanage, which has not housed any children since 1940. The Board of Estimate has approved a resolution to take over the Asylum by condemnation proceedings, but the Corporation Counsel has not yet applied for a court order to condemn, pending instructions from Mr. McGoldrick, he stated. It is estimated that over 1000 men could be accommodated in the orphanage.

"As soon as the Army signifies its intention to move in," Mr. McGoldrick said, "the city will apply for the order to condemn."

The comptroller declared that the Army would presumably make payment to the city for each soldier housed, fed and studying at the College.

It was not known whether members of the College staff would instruct the soldier-students, or whether the Army would provide its own teachers. It is believed the Army will send some of its own men to teach here, but that the majority of instructors would be provided by the College.

New Orientation Program Teaching Frosh 'Inside Stuff' About College

By George Sherry

One hundred and fifty freshmen will meet their Upper-class advisers for the second time within ten days Thursday at 12, in a program of freshman orientation unprecedented in the College's history. The program is being carried out under the direction of Dean John L. Bergstresser and Louis Orzack '44, chairman of the Student Council Curriculum Committee.

The majority of the entering class was immediately led on tours of the College plant. One hundred and fifty freshmen, assigned in groups of ten to specially selected Upperclassmen, were given one-hour talks about all those little odds and ends of "inside" information for lack of which hundreds of unsuspecting freshmen find themselves out of school after a few months for academic reasons. That, or else go through college without ever realizing that there are such things as extra-curricular activities, friendly companionship, social life, and vocational guidance within reach.



Dean Bergstresser

There was registration advice—no more nervous breakdowns outside of 306 Main!; there were whispered words on what goes

on at House Plan Friday and Saturday nights, and high-brow advice on how to get A's without too much work; finally, there was info on how to bulldoze instructors and cut classes with impunity.

Dr. Bergstresser told *The Campus* that "this term's results will be applied next term, when an extension of the program to include a majority (or all) of the freshman class is planned."

A few amusing queries and answers occurred. Jack Segal, an alumnus of Clinton High, in answering his adviser's question on what "he went out for" in high school, startled his audience by affirming that he "went out for girls". With about 30 co-eds now around Saint Nick's, he will probably find a rich field for his activities. An anonymous freshman compared the Schedule of Recitations (of ill fame) to "a racing form". They'll be betting soon on what classes will be closed by the time they register...



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Technically Speaking:

Four Year Course Still Holds

By Bernard Hochman

You're one of over 60% of a freshman class taking engineering. You took engineering for one or several of many reasons. If you're not cut out for it, the only person who will really know, and to whom it will mean the most, is you.

"Engineering", according to the Engineers' Council for Professional Development, "is the combination of art and science by which materials and power are made useful to mankind." An engineer, the Council continues, "is a person specifically trained and experienced in planning, designing, and supervising the processes by which this objective is accomplished."

According to these definitions, engineers do only planning, design, and supervisory work. But we frequently find the engineer engaged in research, testing, sales, and executive work. His work often deals with the economic problems with which the job is related. The engineering aspects of law call for engineering consultation. In short, if an engineer has a broad background in his own and related fields, he can be sure of a job in any economic set-up.

Tentatively, you're enrolled in a four year curriculum. During the first two years, you'll take Social Science, English, and Chemistry, Physics, Math, and Drafting. At the end of this period, you'll know little, if any, engineering. You may not realize it, but the personnel heads of industry know it, and so do the armed forces, Selective Serv-

ice and the Manpower Commission.

As a junior, you'll find out what engineering is. Your first contacts with it will be in the advanced drafting courses. When you get into a lab, you'll first feel as if your hands are tied. It will be entirely different from a Physics or a Chem lab. What looks nice on paper, won't look the same in iron and steel and wires and instruments. The first few times you go to start some machinery, you'll get an icy chill up your spine, until you can see it functioning correctly.

In the labs, you'll learn engineering. You'll find out how different the practical aspects are from the purely theoretical. And if you can develop a "feel" for what you're doing, if the machinery loses its strangeness, and if you develop the ability to intuitively know what's right and what's wrong, you're on your way to becoming an engineer.

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NIBS . . .

The Hillel Foundation, a newly formed organization to foster Jewish thought and life on the campus, is welcoming all new members on Thursdays at 12 at 1592 Amsterdam Avenue (opposite T.H.H.).

William C. Davis (Eco.) speaks tonight at 6 over WNYC on "How America Financed the First War." The speech is one of the "Paying for the War" series sponsored by CDC.

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No Time to Waste

We were present at the freshman orientation assembly and tour last Monday, and it made quite an impression on us for several reasons. It wasn't only that it was a history-making event at the College, with upperclassmen acting as advisers to the '47 class, or that 850 frosh attended a chapel before they had even registered, or that the program will be continued during the term.

The really important point, we feel, is that the whole program is so timely, so very appropriate at a time like this. We don't know how many of the almost one thousand freshmen will be here in six months, or a year or two. We have a hunch, however, that their stay at the College is limited. That's why the '47 men should start their college careers right now—today. We don't mean merely their academic careers; we mean social life, extra-curricular activities, participation in the things that interest them.

The days of starting college late and finishing even later are over. The class of '42 is probably the last one for the duration whose members could first open their eyes when they were sophs or juniors and expect to stick around for four and a half or five years. The boys in that category tell us that's the best and only way to go through college, and being one of them, we're inclined to agree. But the war has changed all that, and it's useless to beguile ourselves—the only alternative is to start learning the first day of classes and keep working until you're in uniform, making every minute count.

The Campus applauds Dean Bergstresser, Louis Orzack, the 75 upperclassmen who conducted the tours and who are doing the advising, and all the freshmen who had enough sense to realize that they were the beneficiaries of the program and gave their time and cooperation.

Some Important Visitors

The College will enter perhaps its most interesting period this semester when 500 soldiers arrive here to study engineering and other technology subjects. Details are still lacking on the Army specialized training program here, but it doesn't take half an eye to see that "there'll be some changes made."

We don't know for instance, whether the soldiers will be in separate classes, or will study with our own students. We don't know whether the Army will have its own instructors, or will use the College's staff. Information of that sort will be made public in the near future.

We're pretty sure of a few things, however. We're certain, for example, that there will be no friction to speak of between those in khaki and those in mufti. Rather, we expect some interesting anecdotes and pleasant situations to arise from the new arrangement.

At any rate, after bidding good-bye to so many of our friends and classmates leaving for the services, it will be a nice change to see someone coming into the College. And if some of those who left return to us in uniform, so much the better.

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Cadet Officers Stay Till June

All Advanced Course ROTC members who are in the Enlisted Reserve Corps will remain in school until June, according to a recent War Department announcement. Upon the initiation of the Army Specialized Training Program at the College, the senior division members will officially be called to active duty within the College, it was revealed.

At the end of the semester, first year men will go to Army replacement centers and then be sent back to school for additional instruction.

Other developments were the opening of the basic course to all classes and the announcement of 400 vacancies for next term's advanced course.

Houpla Welcomes Frosh At Open House This Week

House Plan is holding its customary Open House for freshmen all through this week. Briggs will sponsor this term's tea for the incoming class this Thursday at 4.

Remsen '43 captured two of the three major offices in the HP elections last term. Lou Heller and Hal Weissberg, both of that house, were elected president and secretary respectively. Sherwin Cooperstein, Abbe '43, was chosen vice-president.

Lock & Key Deadline Friday

Lock & Key, senior honorary fraternity, is now accepting applications from upper juniors and seniors, according to Bernard Goomnitz, chancellor. Blanks may be obtained in 119

Five Handicapped By Draft Losses

(Continued from page one) redeeming feature of the evening was Sid Trubowitz' performance for the hopsters. Sid dropped in 14 points.

In the Western Kentucky game at the Garden last Wednesday night which saw the Beavers go down to a 69-49 defeat, Trubowitz, due to his Hofstra job, started for the Holmen and scored nine points.

The Colonels' swamping of the Beavers can well be attributed to the Lavender lack of height. Finestone seemed to come back to life against the Mountaineers, landing high scoring honors of the evening for the losers with 12 points. Evvie passed sharply and broke fast. Mike Shinkarik, Bob Scheer and Joe Lauren all played an im-

Plans to Camouflage Campus Drawn Between Terms; Prof. J. C. Bell Retires

In the interim between semesters, news was still being made at the College.

Engelbert Neus, Professor Emeritus of Drafting and former chairman of the department, died at seventy years of age after forty years at the College.

Dr. James C. Bell, Professor of Education, founder of *The Journal of Educational Psychology*, and former director of Townsend Harris High School, retired at seventy.

The SC Book Exchange, conducted by Alpha Phi Omega, starts today in 20A Main and will continue for a week.

proved game, but the "Monstrous Mountaineers" had too much.

The campus will be camouflaged by College students under the leadership of Prof. Albert D'Andrea (Art). He is equipped with secret information as a result of his visits to Army camouflage units.

Jeno Engelbirt, painter of the custodial staff, died January 30. Unknown to the student he possessed a valuable stamp collection which included six albums containing over fifty thousand stamps. Engelbirt specialized in first day covers.

Cadet Officer promotions were announced last week by Colonel Raymond P. Cook. Rudolph M. Schellhammer '43, an ME major, was appointed Cadet Colonel leading the list of 161 promotions.

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