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HEAT AND STUDY

Most every home or institution finds itself faced, at one time or another, with a heating problem. Ursinus finds itself with one now. We refer directly to the problem of a lack of heat in the Library. That this is a problem is plainly evidenced by the numbers of students apparently attempting to study in conditions that are far from comfortable. Seventy-two degrees is the standard temperature for the maintenance of good health, but the presence of heat is so erratic that either the equipment or the students become ill as a direct result of work - dom conditions. The condition is not only uncomfortable but also unhealthy for the Library assistant, one of whom became ill as a direct result of work­ er's compensation.

The student do not request anything unreasonable; merely a place to study which is sufficiently warm to obviate colds and a lack of comfort. Seventy-two degrees is the standard temperature for the maintenance of health according to various authorities. It may be that the problem is only one of a temporary nature, but surely it deserves notice. If this temperature cannot be maintained by the heating system, we suggest that the fireplaces be employed as auxiliaries.

The Commentator

THE WAR HAS A CHANGE OF COMPLEX

Just look back to three months ago! At that time Britain stood with her back to the wall, fighting off everything ever raging and never ending waves of Nazi "Luftwaffe." The Dutch and Belgians, the Danes and Norwegians had thrown their hands open to the German overlords. The French were just beginning to recover from the tremendous shock. The Balkans lay ripe apples before the outstretched hand of Hitler. Spain, Russia, and France seemed equally ready to swing over into the orbit of Hitler's New Order in Europe.

But today, how different! The British have at last taken the war into their hands on the north of the Alps and swept toward a very successful campaign against the Italians in Egypt. The Greeks have refused to become mere puppets at the ruler of the Italian invaders. The Dutch and Belgians, the Danes and Norwegians are becoming more and more restive. Their unrest is reaching the newsfront with increasing frequency each successive week. Moreover, France, Russia, and Spain still remain far outside the orbit of Hitler's "New Order" as ever. The Axis legions are, on land, sea, and air are not invincible. They, like any other military combination, can be stopped and reversed by the indomitable union of courage and resourcefulness.

This last is the most important fact that we may take from this grab bag of war. The universal war of fact and fiction appearing before us in our daily newspapers, "Those who won't be beaten can't be beaten" is as true an axiom today as it ever was. It is the work of the Greeks more than the British which has again at proclaim the truth of this statement and has given the world courage to stand up against the axis high pressure methods.

From all the rest of the nations which had felt the pressure of Axis diplomacy and militarism were content to put up a half-hearted pretense at resistance. Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, and even France fell before the doctrine of Axis invincibility. One needs not dwell long on the fact that had they put up any resistance at all, the courage and resourcefulness of the Greeks they very probably would not be in the predicaments in which they now find themselves.

The Greeks, however, refused to succumb, and because they have done so they are still free and have shown up the Axis military and naval machine for what it really is, just a facade built up by clever Goebbelian propaganda and Himmlerian terrorism and frightfulness. Of what importance is all this to America? What can be the benefits of such a drama of the Axis forces to America?

In the first place, it should stamp out whatever sparks of appeasement were lingering in the hearts of Americans and their statesmen. If appeasement was proved false by the events of this war, then the Greeks and other countries should realize that the alternative policy of firm resistance to totalitarianism can and will be successful also backed by courage and resourcefulness.

Not only must we have courage and resourcefulness in resisting the pressure of the Axis forces but also we must make use of that same courage and resourcefulness to fight back the forces which would drag us into the all-engulfing maw of this war. Those of us who have answered "Inevitable!" when questioned on our entry into the war must revise our opinions now and re­ py, "Never!" to the question. We must remain out of this war and we shall. The heroic example of the Greeks should prompt us to do all possible so... that a stronger resistance to the Axis and to involvement in this war be made points in our foreign policy. R. P. D. '41

STOP IN AT THE...

Ursinus College Supply Store
And SEE OUR
CHRISTMAS DISPLAY OF...

JEWELRY
COMPACTS
PENS AND PENCILS
CIGARETTE CASES

"Best wishes for the Holiday Season."

On the Campus

Roy — Charlie — George — Al
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Nick Bicocchi
James Coulter
Joseph Griffin
Jeff Houston
Robert McConnell
William Seifried
Victor Trascele
Dick Barry
Don Petterson, mgr.
Robert Leach, mgr.
Chas. Shollenberger, mgr.

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Joe Harrison '40, who with

Mr. Mueller, who has been watching their

V. J. FOOTBALL NUMERALS

James Bligh (43)
Dick Clark
Thomas Cash
Robert Haubly
Burton Lear
Idde Lord
Norman MacGregor
Walter Ott
Charles Peifer
Frank Pierce
Elwood Shropshire
Dean Stewart
Fred Tomsky
William Talvaro
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Longo, Walter Ol't, Felix Karpinski,

Joe Dubuque, mgr.

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Registrar Learns ACE Freshmen Test Results

According to advice which the Registrar has received from the Cooperative Test Service of the American Council on Education, Ursinus College freshmen showed a wide range of distributions on achievement tests which were administered at the beginning of the present college year. To quote from the report:

"There is a wide range of ability and achievement represented by the scores which you have reported. For example, 12 on the English Test, Test A, two students have scores which fall at the percentile of all scores reported for entering freshmen in liberal arts colleges, whereas seventeen students have scores which are above those reported for nine percent of the students on whom the norms were based."

On most of the sections of the English test, the median scores for Ursinus freshmen were slightly below the norm for entering freshmen in liberal arts colleges throughout the United States. Ursinus freshmen scored from two to four points alphabetically lower on all sections of the liberal arts college freshmen. In view of the widely reported variations on the tests, it is the opinion of the Registrar’s Office that the freshmen this year have maintained, on the average, a level of ability which was set by incoming students in recent years.

RECESS DATA!

The annual recess menu for the students next week is announced. The menu, which will be announced later, will be p.m. and will end on Monday of the following week.

College directories for Christmas mail may be procured at the registrar’s office this week.

Ursinus Co-Eds Speak At Women’s Club Tea

Jane Hartman ’41 and Gladys Heibel ’42, were two of the principal speakers at the Ursinus College Woman’s Club luncheon held on Saturday, November 30, in the manor, 1626 Chestnut Street in Philadelphia.

Following the luncheon, attended by approximately seventy members and guests, a short program was presented. Avril Fox ‘42, a musical selection, and Mrs. Norman C. McClure extended greetings from the United States.

"What College Means to Me," by Dr. Edna W. Stinson, president of the Women’s Student Government Association, was presented by Dr. Stinson.

Following this, Miss Florence Benjamin ’39, president of the Women’s Organization for Social Action, spoke on "The Student Christian Government Association at Ursinus College.

Mrs. Montgomery, president of the Ursinus Woman’s Club, welcomed the Ursinus guests.

New Rosicrucians Meet With Permanent Group

A meeting of the thirty-one girls from the temporary Rosicrucians who had the $1.50 average necessary for Rosicrucian initiation, was held last Wednesday in the Rec Center.

The permanent members of the Rosicrucians, those with four semester memberships, are to hold their meetings in the Ursinus Club. Several new and current Rosicrucian members joined the group last fall and are planning to organize a permanent group next year.

Women Debate Temple and Penn State on Hemisphere Union

Penn State and Temple formed the opposition for the Women’s Debate Club last Wednesday in the Bumberger Hall.

"Resolved that there should be a union of the nations of the Western Hemisphere", was the question debated by Penn State and Temple, under the direction of John Finn ‘43 and Garrit Agnew ‘43.

Temple opened the affirmative side of the question by which the floor was held by Leslie Johnson ‘43, treasurer, and Miriam Maeder ‘41, secretary.

The club is planning for a more active program than they have undertaken; this year, as they feel the man’s room has been taken away from them, they feel the women’s room should be utilized.

Council on Student Activities meeting will be held on the Main Campus, Monday afternoon, January 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 5.

•Men’s Debate Admits Two

"Two new members were admitted into the Men’s Debate Club at last meeting held on Monday evening, December 9, in the Free land room on the Main Campus.

The new members were: Albert Wills ’44, and Austin Gehr ’43.

After a discussion of the topic to be taken this season, only ten members agreed to present a debate which the club went into an informal discussion on the current national political events and on the question of Western Hemisphere union with the United States.

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