

# Clips and Comment

By MARGUERITE WITWER

Pi Phis at the University of Kansas received a big coffin-sized package recently. With many squeals from the chicks the six foot box was opened and from among the fluffs of tissue paper emerged the head and scaly green body of a large stuffed alligator. Just a little Valentine's present to one of the coeds from a hopeful admirer.

While lawns in Eugene are sprouting crocuses in the sno-ball carnival spirit at Syracuse university is the annual snow sculpture competition between the campus organizations. The Alpha Phi sorority won this year's cup for the outstanding snow sculpture group depicting a heroic sized St. Bernard rescuing a fallen skier.

With the auctioneer asking for "higher and higher" bids, the bond auction at Northwestern university will feature one of Frank Sinatra's bow ties, personally autographed and sent to the coeds by him. The campus war council received a letter from the swoon-boy saying he was sending the tie and expressing his hopes for the success of the drive. . . . Next we will have Sinatra-shrines along the highways where dreamy-eyed swooners can worship.

The University of Utah engineers are growing their whiskers to compete in the annual contest for beard honors. Prizes will be awarded at the traditional oyster stew

dinner, to be held at the barracks cafeteria for the best goatee, the most artistic beard, and the "most effort and least result" beard. A queen to reign over this strictly male event has been chosen by the engineers and will help judge the chin foliage.

Shades of old pre-war college days in the spring! Louisiana State university fraternity men will present the 1944 edition of the Samurai singing competition.

Six queens will reign over the Mortar Board sponsored dance at the University of Washington. Six Varga girls! Providing competition for U. of W. coeds these smooth, curvaceous and lovely beauties are beautiful, popular and well-known (judging by the dozens of calendars decorating the dorms and barracks rooms, huh?). Painted life-sized and cut from cardboard these Varga girl facsimile queens should satisfy anyone's wishful melody, "I'm gonna buy a paper doll that I can call my own . . . etc. etc. etc."

## The Well Went Dry, or Pump and Circumstance

If there's anything I hate it's puns and pun-makers. People call me the Mad Hatter, not because of Alice and Wonderland but because I hate punsters worse than the bills presented by butchers, bakers, and candlestick makers.

A brimming baker of water should be pore don skin specialists because of the puns punnable from the word "dermis."

I detest hamburger on a pun worse than the thought of President Roosevelt's fourth termis.

And if O. Nash is mad at my poetry he is a nashty man. Because he has no copyright on style, and he can't copy right anyhow and my verse is a lot verse than his ever can.

Be. So nuts to him. And I will say "nutting doing" and go on writing with vigor and vim.

—N. Y.



. . . former University student, who leads the 42-piece marine corps women's reserve band from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. Sergeant Plummer played with the University band and prior to her enlistment was working for her master's degree in voice. (Marine Corps photo)

## Emerald Analyst Relays 'Flash' From Washington

By CLELL CRANE, USA

Emerald Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—(Special)—I was sitting in my room with some of the fellows last night, studying, when my friend George stuck his head out from under the bed (it gets very crowded in my room) and said, "The time has come, character, for you to contact your friends in the land of the empire and ship builders by confidentially telling them what is, in Washington."

Inasmuch as George believes that men such as he and I in positions of great a public responsibility should not express political convictions, I will tell you about the weather, which fortunately has been released for general consumption. However, if you bought plenty of tuberculosis seals last Christmas you need not worry. Washington weather is known in Washington as being irregular. It's one of Washington's main defenses.

All treaties between the United States and foreign powers signed in Washington are in favor of the U. S. simply because foreign delegates will sign anything to get away—in the summer from heat rash and in the winter from anything that happens to be going through on its way south. It is immaterial that the delegates have to live in a tent on the White House lawn among the unfound Easter eggs.

All joking aside, it's all wrong about housing conditions being crowded in Washington. I have it on good authority you can get a hotel room any time you want one. All you need is a pass-key and a more powerful physique than the individual already occupying the room. A concealed weapon could be of invaluable assistance if you are one of those who favors breathing, eating, and drinking as typical conditioning exercises.

My friend George says it isn't true that many Washingtonians have the philosophy of one of the countless liquor store operators who advises, "Don't drink water; people wash their feet in it." How that enters into the discussion is beyond me, but I don't argue with George. He dug a ditch.

## Experimental Play Presented Today

An experimental one-act production directed by Dorothy Weygandt, sophomore in music, will be presented at the Guild hall theater today at 4.

An open invitation is extended to anyone interested in seeing the play. There will be no admission charge.

An Ugly Man contest was sponsored last spring on the San Jose State college campus in California.

## Jam for Breakfast

By SUE WELCH

First, chums, my humble apologies for last week. In case some of you didn't notice, there was no column last week, but I don't imagine that many of you noticed it, so I don't know why I'm mentioning it, but . . .

We'd like to start off, in fact, we'd like to devote this whole column to Fathah Bailey, in view of the fact that the Fathah and Crew have played their last dance on the old Oregon campus. Bailey, along with several members of the band will be leaving us the end of this term for points unknown. On behalf of the entire campus, and I think I may speak on their behalf, I'd like to thank all of the boys for one swell time these last two terms, we're really going to miss you fellows.

Since he arrived on this campus, Fathah Bailey has managed to keep all of us rocking to his really smooth rhythms. He has played music that kept not only all of you cats jumping, but tunes that have hit the soft spot in the hearts of some of us more romantic folks. We'll never forget Bailey's fine arrangements of "Embraceable You," and "Marcheta," not to mention the solid licks in his original number "Bivouac Bounce," otherwise known as "Rettus on the Fortistand."

Nor will we forget the sweet tones of Bob Stetlar's trumpet as he gave with the fine intro to "You Made Me Love You." And thanks too, to Ace Felberg, Jack Blumenthal, Merle "hot lips" Getchel, Whitie White (who won't be leaving us 'til May, if all goes well), and Ralph (Mr. B. T.) Sutton who departed from the old campus last week.

Fellas, we feel a slight lump coming into our throat at the thought of all of you (and one in particular) leaving. It doesn't seem quite right that just as things were beginning to get in the groove here we should have to be deprived of such a fine bunch of men.

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