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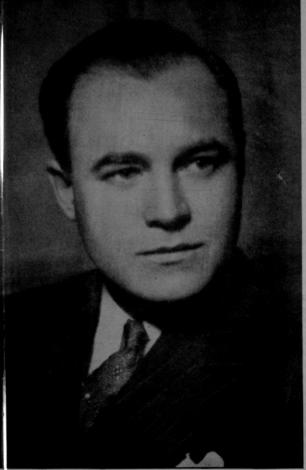
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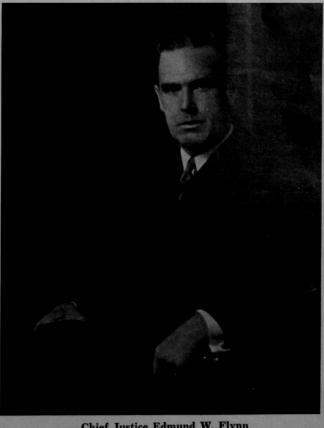


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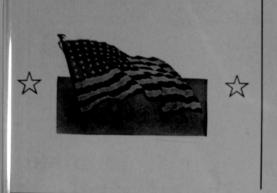


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Hal Derwin, the latest addition to the Brown family of musicians acquired by Brown on the West



Prom Maestro



ranked among the first ten of the nations bands, who will wield the baton at the Junior Promenade. Les has a Meadow Astor Roof background, and is currently invading New England for the first time. Les can handle a couple of instruments, although he is a saxophonist by preference.

Vocalist



Roberta, the epitome of lovelines who will charm the audience with er vocal renditions. Featured with Les Brown and his orchestra.



Amidst a galaxy of revolving lights, approximately three hundred and fifty couples will dance this evening in the main ballroom of the Biltmore Hotel as the Providence College Junior class of August, 1943, holds its annual Junior Promenade featuring Les Brown and his orchestra.

Highlighting the evening's program will be the crowning of the queen, Miss Dorothy Ann Carrigan of Providence, guest of Prom chairman John W. Sormanti, Jr., of Providence. Paul A. Cavanagh of Providence, president of the Junior class, will place a floral wreath on the queen's head promptly at twelve midnight, and will present her with a silver loving cup.

The grand march will proceed the formal presentation. A half hour

broadcast over radio station WEAN, Providence, will take place from 11:30 p.m. to midnight. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Invited guests are Senator Theodore Francis Green and Chief Justice Edmund Flynn. The list of patrons and patronesses include the Very Rev. John J. Dillon, O.P., president of the college, Governor and Mrs. J. Howard McGrath, Mayor Dennis J. Roberts, Dr. Daniel J. O'Neill, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Quirk, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Hanley, and Dr. and Mrs. George A. Kenney.

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A SHORT STORY

The Craziest Prom Of All

The Junior Prom was here at last. The or- | good old Coach Cotty to save the day. estra was blazing away. P.C. men and their irls were marshmallowing their way dreamly around the dance floor. The girl vocalist vas swinging her handkerchief around her lead like a machete, at the same time divecombing "Praise the Lord and Pass the Amnunition.

The Junior Prom. The Mt. Everest of the ollege social year, and everybody was deiriously happy. Les Brown was happy, the band was happy, John Sormanti was happy, all the P.C. fellows were happy, the girls were happy; even the elevator boy in his yo-yoing cage was happy. Oh boy, what a night.

But of all the happy people in the balloom, Coach Cotty was the happiest. For Coach Cotty had solved a perplexing problem. His little heart flip-flopped back and forth merrily and the shy, timid physical training instructor could hardly restrain himself from umping into the air and kicking his heels together. He had to gulp in little gasps of air to keep from fainting with sheer joy. Oh, he ondered, how could one man be so happy? Golly!

Coach Cotty was a mild little person with soft blue eyes that were always gentle and sympathetic. Everybody at Providence College loved "the little fellow." For a week now The Coach had been rather worried however. "So many of my boys have time to make up in their Physical Ed. classes," he would explain sadly, "And I don't know when they'll be able to do it because the deadline is Wedsday, and there's no school for so many of them on Tuesday and Wednesday," and he

But it was all fixed now. Coach Cotty had

And so, it was not long before word had spread through the ballroom that "Coach Cotty's got an idea," and it was not much longer before all the fellows had swarmed around the little fellow who was now rather alarmed and delighted at causing such a commotion.

"Really, boys," he protested, "I don't mean for you all to abandon your girls like this."

"Aw, it's O.K., Coach, the girls understand," said Wolf Milterseder, "We explained the situation to them. They don't mind."

"What's your idea, Coach?" squeaked one of the fellows.

Little Coach Cotty, dwafted by the towering college fellows, grew mysterious. "Well boys," he started, "Practically all of you are behind in your, ha ha, your Commando training, as you like to call it. Of course, the Army insists that everybody have his full number of hours or no credit. So I've got an idea. There's no school tomorrow or Wednesday, so - - - why not have a few hours exercise tonight during the dance!"

Wolf Milterseder fainted dead away. The rest of the fellows looked at one another in blank amazement.

"We could have loads of fun, boys," continued the little coach. "Mr. Brown and his band could play for us, and we could do the pushups while Mr. Brown plays a waltz or something else, and . . .

"Yeah, but what about the girls, Coach? What are the girls going to do while we do the pushups and the other stuff?"

"Why," said Coach Cotty, "the girls can do the calisthenics too. I think the girls would figured a way out of the mess. Leave it to get a kick out of being Commando-ettes, or

something like that. Suppose you fellows go and ask them?

So all the fellows went, somewhat sheepishly, back to their girls and asked the same, sheepish question. And believe it or not, the girls said yes! They'd love to be Commandoettes! What a wonderful idea! Well, you know the fellows were pretty surprised. They had figured the girls wouldn't be so keen about doing crazy calisthenics at a Prom. But gee, they were all wrong. The girls were crazy about the idea. Maybe some of the girls didn't know what they were letting themselves in for, but they were all for the idea.

It looked like this was going to be some Prom!

Of course, poor Les Brown nearly fell flat on his face when he heard what was going on. But he got into the spirit of the thing in fine fashion. Rather unorthodox, he laughed, but variety is the spice of life.

Little Coach Cotty was in ecstasy. There were tears in his eyes: "Everyone is being so cooperative. Gee."

By now we were all set to go. Les Brown agreed to furnish music in tempo with the exercises to keep things progressing nicely. Good old Coach Cotty assumed that familiar, determined pose at the end of the dance floor and lined everyone up in ten long rows, one line girls and the next line boys, and so on.

"All right, everybody," he called out. "Touching the toes with the knuckles, one, two, three, four, one, two

We were off. Naturally, the girls were a few minutes in catching on to the different exercises, but gradually things were moving along fine. First the toe-touching affair, then the quarter-knee bend, half, and full, and all the other drills that have become second nature to all P.C. fellows during the last six

And then Coach Cotty sprang the major surprise of the evening. He disappeared for about five minutes, giving the fellows and incidentally, the girls, a chance to get their

wind. When he next appeared, however, what did he have under his arm but a set of basketballs! Twice more he hurried out and back and finally had the ballroom divided into hand-soccer and volleyball courts. Eight fellows and eight girls on a team and believe me, basketballs and volleyballs went tooming around that converted gymnasium like leaves on a windy day. The fellows were yelling and laughing helplessly at the sight of girls in flowing evening gowns playing basketball, and the girls thoroughly enjoyed the ludicrous sight of fellows in tails jumping up and down after an elusive volleyball.

It was unbelievable, unthinkable. The Junior Prom!

Well sir, it was a madhouse, and everybody was having the time of his life, regardless. But all good things must come to an end, to coin a new saying. Coach Cotty said that he was sorry to interrupt the festivities, but that it was tome for the cross-country dash now. This announcement was received with a good bit of hilarity by the fellows. The hilarity changed to masculine yells of enthusiasm when Coach Cotty said, blushing, that he wouldn't be surprised if every fellow who circled the ballroom twenty times received a hero's reward from the lips of his fair companion. It is needless to add that the twenty laps were negotiated in absurdly short time. P.C. men recognize a good thing when they see it.

Less Brown suggested then, God bless him, that the fellows should kiss the girls for being such good sports about the whole evening's entertainment. The motion was unanimously seconded and carried out without further loss

It was some night. The fellows made up all their hours and had fun doing it. Coach Cotty now occupies a warm little spot in the heart of every P.C. Junior and a lot of young ladies would love to give the little fellow a kiss. Les Brown says he never saw anything like it hefers, and never expects to see any like it before, and never expects to see any-thing like it again. All in all—

Alma Mater



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