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ONE THING NEEDED

I know I am not alone in what I am about to say. Many students have been asking of late. "What ever happened to all those hopeful plans for a gymnasium for Behrend Center?" Just what did happen to all those plans for a gymnasium for Behrend Center? That's a fair question!

First, however, let me clarify a few points. Take a poll of Behrend students and you will find that each and every one of them (with the possible exception of the fellow who just flunked that Math exam or that History exam.) likes our college, nay, is even crazy about it—in fact, he thinks it's tops! Where, he will point out with great pains, could one find a more enjoyable blending of solid, substantial educational instruction and the pleasant informality among students and faculty members and administrative personnel? Where could one find such a variety of subject matter in the classroom, and still be able to step seasonally just a few yards to participate in skiing, tobogganing, outdoor swimming, archery, golfing, volleyball, dramatics club, science club, student newspaper, and so on ad infinitum?

Frankly, we all (men students, women students, and I know the faculty will want us to include them) are sold on Behrend Center. But there is still one thing lacking, one thing needed, to make our Utopia even more Utopian and well-rounded. That thing is our own gymnasium! If we all had the chance (if our college had a second year) we would certainly be back, gym or no gym. But for the sake of those to follow, we send this hope along to whomever it may concern; Please get subsequent Behrend freshmen that gymnasium!

Maybe it's up to you, Santa!

Don Blair

DORMITORY "HOT STUFF"

The heat problem in the women's dormitory at Behrend Center has risen to such a critical stage that it demands immediate investigation. For most of the winter, the "dorm" has been kept at such an uneven temperature that it has caused the girls to have very little body resistance to colds, sore throats, and many other minor diseases. One day the temperature is so low that they are cold all day, and the next, it is so high the girls start to perspire the minute they go into their rooms.

It is thought by various members of the faculty, that much of the sickness has been caused by the girls not getting enough rest, thus an eleven o'clock "lights-out" was leveled upon them a few months ago. The sickness did not stop. It is my opinion that the heating—not the loss of sleep—has caused most of the trouble. The girls go to bed at the appointed hour with windows open, though, on several occasions they have not been able to sleep due to the intense heat. If they do manage to sleep, it is so uncomfortable

that the following morning they awaken with headaches and such.

On some evenings it is almost impossible to study in the dormitory due to the cold. A person can not be expected to sit still and concentrate when cold shivers are shaking her body.

Yes, the heating problem has become quite an important factor here at Behrend Center and something should be done about it in the very near future.

Georganne Fisher

Student Council News and Views

On March 10, 1949 the student council had a regular meeting after the assembly hour. The only thing discussed was the recognition of the Forum Service Club. The following week the council appropriated \$10.00 for future teas and meetings.

On March 24, 1949 the student council discussed many pertinent matters. The thermostat that was recently replaced in the lounge,

Korny Korner

By Nona Ottoway

An English cub reporter, frequently reprimanded for relating too many details was warned to be brief. He turned in the following:

"A shooting affair occurred last night. Sir Dwight Hopeless, a guest at Lady Panmore's ball, complained of feeling ill, took a highball, his hat, his coat, his departure, no notice of friends, a taxi, a pistol from his pocket, and finally his life. Nice chap.

"Regrets and all that sort of thing."

A kid had the sniffles, which annoyed a woman who was standing next to him. "Listen young man," she said, "have you got a handkerchief?"

"Yeah," answered the kid, "but my mother won't let me lend it to anybody."

Willy and Chuck were bragging about their ancestors.

"Did you know that the King of England touched my great-grandfather on the head with a sword and made him a duke?" boasted Will.

"That's nothing sneered Chuck, "An Indian chief tapped my-great-great-grandfather on the head with a tomahawk and made him an angel!"

Dunk and Sturge were sitting in the lounge one day when Sturge drawled "I just noticed something, Dunk, you've got your left shoe on your right foot and your right

"What do you think of that?" drawled the surprised Dunk. "For the past ten years I thought I had a club-foot."

Miss Davis: "What is cow hide used for?"

Bill Klaban: "To hold cows together for one thing."

Sign on Finance office:—

"Are you at Debt's Door?—Our Finance company will see you through."

A young woman working for a degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Columbia married a professor in the middle of her second year.

"But Edith," protested one of her friends, when she announced her engagement "I thought you came to college to get your P. H. D."

"I did," replied Edith "but I never thought I'd get him so soon."

has left the Recreation Hall fund practically empty. The members of student council will be taking a poll on whether or not the students of Behrend Center would like their school to become a two year school. The members of each curriculum will meet with their student council representative in the near future to discuss this matter.

A letter was received from the DuBois center early last week. In the letter our sister center wished to know what customs and traditions had been established at Behrend Center. The Science Club has asked for funds to assist them in building a radio station. They were referred to the Dramatic Club, since those two organizations will work together on the radio station.

The meeting was adjourned by President Tom Pearce.

Meet Your Faculty

By William Klaban

Mr. Marvin L. Demp, that little fellow with the big smile, is one of the best known, and most active members of the Behrend Center faculty. The coach, who is the head of the Physical Education Department, has led a very interesting life, and overcome an impending handicap in doing so.

Born on August 14, 1926, little Marv hardly knew what life was, when at 14 months he became afflicted with infantile paralysis. As a result of this his right leg was burdened by a heavy metal brace, which limited his activities until the age of nine. During this period, in combat of the paralysis, Mr. Demp underwent four major operations. Final victory over the maiming disease, resulted in the coach's energetic entry into sports, such as swimming, to strengthen his leg. He also strove conscientiously to gain the capability of sports which had been deprived of him in his younger years. The coach's vacation from grammar school was spent in summer camps, and in later years he became interested in the training, and healthy life which had been made available to him by such establishments. He has served as camp counsellor for nine summers.

By the time of his entry into high school he had become adept in most sports, and earned his letters in both football and basketball. He graduated from Central High in Philadelphia, a member of the class of '44 and immediately entered Pennsylvania State College as a member of the football team.

At State College, the coach, who majored in physical education, received the honorary degree of B. M. O. C. (Big Man on Campus). He participated in varsity wrestling and would have had four letters in



Marvin Demp

that sport, had he not sustained an injury. He became a member of the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. In his senior year, fraternity brothers chose him to serve as vice-president. He also accepted the posts of treasurer of the Physical Education School, and secretary-treasurer of an Honorary Athletic Fraternity. In the summers, the coach held the position as director of Physical Education in one of the eastern boys camps.

The coach has engaged in, or encouraged athletics all his life. Here at Behrend, he has been responsible for firing interest in basketball, and volleyball through intra-mural participation. The intra-mural basketball teams have also been the basis for selection of a varsity five.

The coach's plan for the future is unitary. Marriage, (on his birthday), this year will be another phase of an already happy, and successful life. A toast (hard liquor forbidden) to our coach, "Pappy" Demp.

Personality Of Week

By Marjorie Fleming

"Hel-lo!" is the way this well-known gal greets her fellow students at Behrend Center. She is Sally Dickson, a girl who needs no introduction, affectionately known to her companions as "Sal Gal." Sally (preferred to "Sal") stands five foot seven inches and has brown eyes and brown(?) hair. Her latest fad is blond streaks on the side.

She is a graduate of the class of '48 at Dormont High School in Pittsburgh where she took the commercial course. Sal appeared in the high school Variety Show for three years and was a member of various other organizations.

The lounge is where Sally can be found constantly although she lives in the four girl room of the dormitory. Sally's favorite pastime is dancing, while knitting and collecting pictures also fall in that category. When asked what she does during the summer Sal replied "Love to swim, love to watch baseball games and LOVE the Pirates!" She usually spends her summer vacation with her family at Atlantic City.

At home Sally loafs at Pearce's, in Dormont, known for their "Pig's Dinners" which, next to lobster, is her favorite dish.

Sally's knack for writing has made her determined to write a book some day. Another ambition



Sally Dickson

is to get married.

Sally Dickson did not know she was to become a college student until two weeks before she came to Behrend Center. At Penn State she plans to major in commercial teaching, because of her past experiences in commercial subjects and secretarial work. For extra-curricular activities at the Center, Sally does reporting for the Erie Times, is an active member of the dramatic club, and the writer of the gossip column and feature articles for the Nittany Cub.