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IS STUDENT COUNCIL TO BLAME?

The question has been raised on many occasions this fall by a few interested members of the undergraduate body as to whether or not Student Council is losing its power in governing affairs appertaining to student welfare at Penn State.

Student Council is primarily an organized undergraduate body for the government and regulation of student affairs. Its members have been elected by their classmates to represent them.

And herein lies the answer to the question raised by the one or two interested members of Penn State's student body. Modern students in general, it appears, can not be shocked or won; they are pleasantly aloof from the bitter interests that tear the world, from the localized problems that make or break a college.

It is unfortunate that such a condition exists at Penn State, but it is none the less true. Councilmen go out among their fellow classmates when some question of vital undergraduate interest arises, and look in vain for some breath of hot feeling, some prejudice, some clash of ideas.

A frail, passing interest in fads, movies, jokes, amusement—is this a foundation on which to build a strong student government? The councilmen do not seem to think so.

Perhaps the councilmen themselves come in for a share of the blame. No attempt is being made to defend them in any way. Incompetent representatives will never make an efficient and competent Council, but here again the undergraduates as a whole are at fault.

It would seem a laudible generation in the history of college life. Those students who are not too self-centered, too wrapped up in themselves to ever do the college any good, seem to be functioning in a state of lethargy.

Perhaps the generation that is being born out of the American college of today will have to rub against life a little before it really believes in it. Real interest is an emotion, and emotions spring from the needs of human beings, and so far in this comparatively comfortable college situated in the Nittany valley, there has been little need for real interest and intelligence.

THE GLAMOUR OF RECOGNITION

There is agitation afoot on the campus in several non-athletic organizations and activities for the awarding of varsity letters to individuals who have made good in other than athletic lines.

The mere detail of giving a letter to non-athletes is of minor importance. But it seems somewhat incongruous that musicians, dramatists, debaters and editors should ask recognition in the form of an 'S', and value the insignia of the athlete above the appreciation of their audience.

Unrestrained and unabashed clamoring for recognition denotes a smallness of soul which attaches more importance to outward display than to inward satisfaction. It is invariably the small, pompous individual who lusts to be clad in honors and titles, who delights in haunting insignia of accomplishment, in wearing charms and badges just because they are charms and badges.

Unfortunately, there is a group of undergraduates in every college who make a fetish of recognition: They worship the varsity letter, the honor fraternity emblem, the campus society insignia, not for the worthy efforts these symbols represent but for the fancied prestige they confer.

College men of today, the nation's leaders of tomorrow, should be inspired to do something worth while, not for the attending glory and recognition, but for the sake of doing it.

human nature, inherent in all mankind but better concealed by some individuals than others, are largely responsible for the present-day clamor for recognition.
Glory, to be glory, depends upon whole-hearted devotion to work. Recognition without power is irony, but power without the glamour incident to modern forms of recognition is a thing to be respected. 'Art for art's sake' is the only formula for lasting respect and achievement.

Thoughts of Others

BURNING COALS
(The Purdue Experiment)
Forty-nine representative freshmen pledged four thousand four hundred dollars to the Purdue Union, at a meeting in the lecture room of Stanley Coulter Hall last night.

Facts and Figures

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY
The Department of Animal Husbandry of the Pennsylvania State College was founded in 1907. Prior to this time all Animal Husbandry work was included in the general course in Agriculture.

Gridiron Gossip

Football questions, number 7,986,543 and 544—Who's that running for a touchdown and will Harry Wilson make all-American?
Some Penn co-ed remarked that she thought it was very mean that she didn't give the Red and Blue rooters a chance to yell too.

PENN STATE GRADUATE GETS LAND CONCESSION

Granted Thirty Thousand Acres by Ukrainian Government—To Train Russians
A Penn State graduate, Harold M. Ware '12, has been granted a concession of thirty thousand acres of land by the Ukrainian government for the purpose of utilizing Russians to become scientific farmers with American ideals.

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PENN STATE CONDUCTS CROP PROTECTION WORK

J. W. Miller is called to New York To Confer with Head of Erosion Protection Institute Board
J. W. Miller, research fellow of the Crop Protection Institute, who is stationed at Penn State, where he is investigating the effects of scabbard upon the growth of fruit trees and upon the blight, a serious disease of apples and pears, was called to New York last week to confer with the chairman of the board of governors of the Crop Protection Institute.

MISS SAVARD ATTENDS ARTS ASSOC. MEETING

Miss Savard of the Art Department of the college attended the meeting of the Mount Airy Association of Pennsylvania held at the Lackawanna High School on last Saturday. This is a yearly meeting of the teachers of art in schools and colleges of the state, and for several years Miss Savard has attended as the representative of Penn State.

The Duffano Theatre Co.

TUESDAY—RICHARD BARTHELMUS In "The Fighting Mad" NEWS WEEKLY
WEDNESDAY—MARY PHILBIN In "The Age of Desire" Sunshine Comedy "The Explorers"
THURSDAY and FRIDAY—THOMAS M'LEIGHAN "Human Proof" Mark Sennett Comedy "One Cylinder Love"
SATURDAY—MATINEE AT TWO—ALL STAR CAST "In Pleasure Land" NEWS WEEKLY

MELACHRINO Cigarettes advertisement featuring an illustration of a cigarette and the text 'THE constant smoker finds in Melachrino Cigarettes a delicacy of flavor of which he never tires.' ORIGINAL MELACHRINO 'The One Cigarette Sold the World Over'

ALBRIGHT RUBBERSET advertisement featuring an illustration of a shaving brush and the text 'Never flunks - this lifetime friend'. A TRUE friend is a staunch one—always reliable. Men who bought their Rubberset Shaving Brushes way back in 1888, when we first started, still find them the same reliable friends each morning.

CLOTHES FOR THE COLLEGE MAN

The SACK SUIT
(Made in thread and four button models)
EVEN a plain sack suit may have the refinements of cut and material that distinguish good clothes from the usual commercial product. LUXENBERG sack suits are discontinue.

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