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BALLOTS OR WASTE PAPER?

With undergraduate interest as keen as it is in many quarters over the lists of candidates for the various class and Student Council positions, it may seem hardly necessary to call further attention to the impending elections Their results, however, are of such vital importance to the well-being of Penn State during the coming year that too much emphasis cannot be called to bear on the manner in which the selections are made

In addition to eliminating the possibility of fraud, the chief argument in favor of the new election system was that it would get out a representative vote Just what the representative vote will mean in the final result is a matter that can be determined by the voters during the coming week If part of the student body takes its customary attitude toward its responsibilities, the representative vote will be simply the lazy vote, the casually filled-in, easily influenced ballot of the group which was formerly indifferent and too lazy to attend elections This kind of representative vote will prove a curse, it is not the number of votes polled alone that makes for just elections but the thought behind each vote

Despite a remarkable mass of evidence to the contrary, Penn State men may unquestionably lay claim to some degree of sound judgment and common sense when they are given an opportunity and an incentive for cool and unhurried consideration The opportunity is provided by the new election system and if the best men are not chosen it will indicate either that the voters are indifferent or that they do not possess sound judgement

It is no light task, this careful selection of men for responsible positions To list the qualifications of a good class executive would be to list the qualifications of a perfect man, a type scarcely to be found on this or any other campus For every office to be filled next Monday and Tuesday, however, there are men who have performed past duties honestly and capably and it is the duty of every voter to consider these past performances in order to secure a fair estimate of future possibilities.

If the student votes for a candidate because he expects pork-barrel favors in return, if he votes for a candidate solely because he seems to be a "good fellow", if he votes for a candidate only because he has been told to do so by a powerful clique, if he is too lazy to collect reliable information on the merits of the candidates and puts his cross in the first square that meets his eye, then he should realize that his ballot is worthless, if not actually dangerous He should tear it up and think again!

GROW UP, CHILDREN

A certain critic once remarked that a person is as old as he acts and judging from several occurrences at the Navy and interscholastic track meets on Saturday afternoon, there are too many students at Penn State who have not yet passed the age of six To the outsider who is not acquainted with the childlike tactics of several Nittany undergraduates it would appear that the promiscuous "wise-cracking" which takes place at practically every athletic event is the result of undernourished minds

It is to be regretted that college students who are supposed to have reached the age of maturity should resort to such childish measures for the sake of drawing a few laughs and having someone brand them as embryo humorists This practice was altogether too evident on Saturday afternoon, for following every statement through the announcer's megaphone, one was almost certain to expect a supposed-jibe that invariably brought embarassment to the spectators, contestants and all others concerned

When grade-school children are guilty of such a practice, it can be excused, but it is certainly inexcusable for college men and especially Penn State men. Over the past week-end, hundreds of visitors appeared in the Nittany Valley and it is certainly hoped that their impressions of Penn State were not gathered from the actions of a few who profess to be college students but who are, in reality, overgrown children

If these undergraduates must persist in their "wise-cracking," they should become contributors to the Lion's Den and not display their talents in a public place like New Beaver Field.

SEEING EUROPE

With summer vacation less than one month away, thousands of American undergraduates will take advantage of the attractive offers of several steamship companies for student tours to Europe with the result that 1925 will probably witness the greatest influx of college tourists to the old continent in many years In addition to broadening one's viewpoint, it is generally admitted that the trip across the Atlantic will do much to bring about a better understanding between the undergraduates of various nations.

For the benefit of those who have never made the journey before, the editors of the New Student offer some excellent advice which is as follows 1 It is advisable to forget that one is American Whoever goes with the thought of comparing Europe with America item for item will return more densely ignorant than he went, for he will carry a false wisdom 2 He will be polite, but not apologetic While he is trying to keep his "Americanism" in the background, he will nevertheless remain himself. 3. Avoid all officials and official events. It is better to wander around among the people or in small groups

ATTRACTIVE SHOW GIVEN BY PLAYERS

Final Performance of "The Whole Town's Talking" Furnishes Good Entertainment

PORTRAYAL OF CHESTER BINNEY BRINGS APPLAUSE

Playing to a small audience the Penn State Players gave the second and last showing of "The Whole Town's Talking" in the Auditorium last Friday night Clever delineation of characteristic traits marked the entire show and that of Chester Binney, interpreted by A A McCurdy '27 drew applause many times

Chester Binney a partner of Henry Simmons played by R W Tyson '26 is a man devoted to business He sees nothing else and is in several ways an old fogy When the curtain rises Simmons is discussing with his wife the future of his daughter Ethel portrayed by Miss M L Jones '25 who has just completed a course at a Chicago musical academy

Wise and provident Mr Simmons has decided that Binney shall become his son-in-law so that the business may continue in the family Miss M F Howard '28 gets the role of Mrs Simmons who desires to have a man with a past marry her daughter Ethel returns with a friend in the person of Roger Shields played by R A Wilson '28 Shields is from Chicago and has a fact which bears much weight with Mrs Simmons Events develop rapidly Chester proposes to Miss Simmons and is rejected on the grounds that he is a man without a past

The Whole Town Talks

With nothing to do now but invent the required past love affair Mr Simmons proposes in order Chester is sent to buy an appropriate photograph He meets among others that of Letty Lythe a motion picture actress whose latest creation "A Night in the Dark" is being shown in the town at that time

After considerable discussion between the two conspirators the following words are written on the back of the picture To my quiet Chester still waters run deep In memory of Lecth Hollywood hours Letty Lythe' The picture purposely falls into the hands of Mrs Simmons Ethel accepts Chester's proposal As if by magic the news is spread and "the whole town is talking"

Acting the part of the screen vamp Miss S M Mallory '28 appears on the scene accompanied by her fiance Donald Swift played by I H Kurz '27 All would have been well had not Swift been called to the Simmons home by Mrs Simmons who had been informed by her husband that the gentleman was a customer of the firm whom he had invited out for an evening dinner

Storm Breaks

Swift and Miss Lytne come to recall the truth of the rumored love affair She admits that the affair is true The scene which follows causes Ethel to break her engagement while Letty's western fiance becomes infuriated Shields was the manipulator and is handling things because of his own interest in Miss Simmons future

Swift swears that he will have it out with Binney Shields brings him to the residence of Mr Simmons where Chester is residing Simmons cleverly traces the westerner but when he leaves the room to call Chester, Shields points out the fallacies of Simmons arguments and by the time Chester reappears on the scene Swift is raging

Binney asks for a fight in the dark it is granted and a terrible battle follows When the lights come on again Swift and Shields are knocked out while Chester is safely perched on top of the chandelier The curtain drops with Ethel in Chester's arms and Swift retreats slowly with Miss Lythe

OUTING CLUB WILL HOLD ELECTIONS ON THURSDAY

The Outing Club will hold its last meeting of the year Thursday night at seven-thirty o'clock in Room 304 Old Main Election of officers will be held at this time and final arrangements will also be made for several interesting hikes to be taken sometime before the week of final examinations All members are urged to be present

LOST—Coat and pocketbook containing driver's license and other important papers Lost on April 24 between State College and Centre Hall Reward Inquire at COLLEGIAN office 2t

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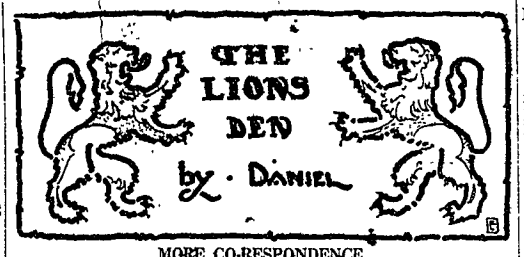

MORE CO-RESPONDENCE

Dear Daniel

To you I shall confess all I am discouraged, I am disillusioned, I am in despair My head whirls, and my heart aches Compared to mine Hamlet's set of trouble is a pond

In the next two weeks I have 1000 pages of history to read, six reports to hand in, four themes to write, a foreign language to learn and two note books to fill

Things took a turn for the worse last week when I took a quiz for which I had studied until two o'clock the night before I got not one single thing that I knew You can guess the rest The next day I bought a new typewriter with visions in my mind of rapidly clearing away my numerous reports But alas, mine is not like Applewhites It does NOT run itself It took me two hours to type one page, and I have not yet been able to locate some of the letters of the alphabet I wish I had my $60 back

Last worst and most humiliating of all, a man I was beginning to like very much (I hate him now) was with another girl all week-end

I know not whether to drink a bottle of Waterman's and end it all or to take the next bus to Danville and thereby secure the consideration and care that I need and desire I hardly think you can help me

Yours without a future
Dorothy

To Father—

My father sent me here to school,
And that's why I should obey the rule
He shall not be ashamed of his son,
Who's here at State 'til his degree is won

"Go straight," he said to me that day
When I left home and took the train to go away
And so I think of that time after time
When temptation stalks across my path sometimes

I always think about my father's sacrifice
He made that I might enjoy College life
It makes me study, heart and soul,
To do my best, to try and win the goal

And so remember Mother, but Father too
Remember that he's always thinking about you,
And do your best "Live with a song"
Make this your motto and you can't go wrong

—R H E

THE CAMPUS "HOUN"

A pup went for an airing,
Upon a summer's day,
It found the Penn State campus
And decided there to stay.

There it met with another,
With whom it planned to mate,
And now there are quite a few dogs
On the campus at Penn State.

Now these campus hounds run chapel,
They go to classes too,
But there can't be found a pedigree
In the whole illustrious crew

H. M. WOOD GIVES TALK TO MOTIVE POWER CLUB

Mr H M Wood of Altoona, speaking before the Motive Power club last Monday night gave in detail the various classes of work in which selected graduates from technical schools are trained for three years in preparation for staff positions with the Pennsylvania Railroad system

Prof O K Hulin made some supplementary remarks, explaining that the preliminary course given to technical graduates is special and distinct from that given to boys who are taken as apprentices to learn some specific mechanical trades

He also read communications from the president of the Pennsylvania Railroad explaining various scholarships which are offered successful candidates Each is dotted the sum of six hundred dollars annually for his expenses for four years

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INTERCLASS RIFLE TILTS SLATED THIS AFTERNOON

D E Frear '26 was elected captain, A C Miller '26 manager, and J P. Daly '28 assistant manager of the rifle team for the coming year at a recent meeting

Lieutenant Miller is now corresponding for next year's schedule and he hopes to arrange a triangular meet with Carnegie Tech and Pitt the night preceding the annual Penn State-Pitt football contests

The interclass match between the juniors, sophomores and freshmen will be held this afternoon at one o'clock The seniors will not compete because their men were on this year's team and, having received letters, are ineligible

Did YOU Know—

That Coach Nate Cartmell won the intercollegiate championships in the century and 220-yard dashes in 1906 '07 and '08?

And that in winning these events he ran the hundred in ten seconds and the 220-yard dash in 21 4-5 seconds, both times being considered exceptionally fast?

That the gifts to Penn State for the last year amounted to only about $13,000?

That the estimated cost of Varsity Hill, completely equipped, is $297,000?

That Penn State is one of the nation's very few institutions to have barred gateways?

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RELAY CUP ANNEXED BY BETA THETA PI RUNNERS

Fresh from its victory in the Interfraternity track and field meet last Saturday, Beta Theta Pi again demonstrated its superiority on the cinder path when Hancock, running anchor twisted the tape a winner in the half-mile relay on New Beaver Field Tuesday afternoon In a homestretch spurt that almost resulted in a dead heat, Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Nu finished second and third respectively Alpha Gamma Rho finished fourth, about thirty feet in the rear

The race was marked by a number of unfortunate spills, a result of the scramble for position at the start and confusion on the exchange of batons The winning team's ability to stay out in front throughout the entire distance was in part the cause of keeping it away from the danger of a tumble

A cup, almost identical to that awarded for the track and field competition but somewhat smaller will be presented to the Beta Theta Pi runners

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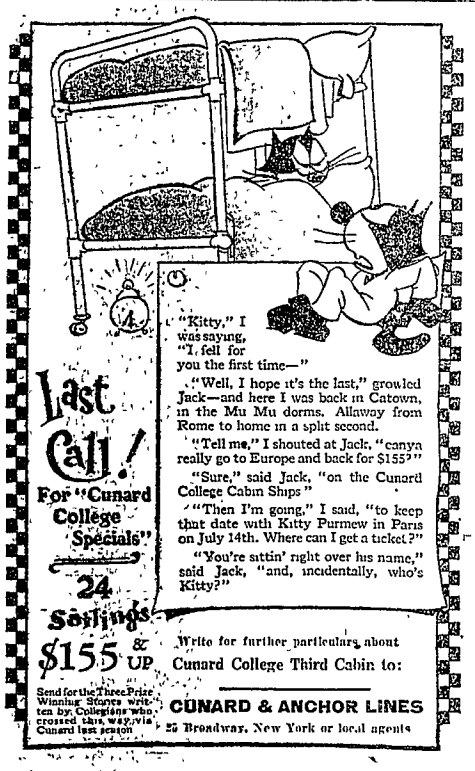
PLEASE NOTE—
Both Theatres Open Tuesday and Wednesday nights of this week.

TUESDAY—
TOM MOORE
In Jack London's
"The Adventure"
Sunshine Comedy

WEDNESDAY—
BEVERLY BAYNE and
ELLIOT DEXTER
in "The Age of Innocence"
Sunshine Comedy

MONDAY—TUESDAY—
WEDNESDAY—
Matinee Daily at Two—
DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS
in "A Thief in Bagdad"
Adults 50c; Children 25c.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY—
POLA NEGRI
in "The Charmer"
Mack Sennett Comedy



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