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"THE KID HIMSELF"

During the coming holidays some thousands of people of Pennsylvania and New York will come to the Thespians' performance of "The Kid Himself" to be entertained. They will leave the shows entertained—and also instructed; informed in a very striking manner that Penn State offers more than they supposed.

For it is a fact, deplorable, but nevertheless true, that the average citizen when he thinks of Penn State thinks of a more or less utilitarian institution—a glorified vocational school. The name of Penn State is rarely associated with the purely cultural, academic phases of education. It is astonishing to note how many of the good people of the Commonwealth are surprised to hear that Penn State actually has a school of liberal arts.

The reason for this is obvious. When the College gets press publicity, the articles deal with the activities of the athletic teams, of the School of Agriculture and the technical schools—never with the arts. Even the COLLEGIAN, which is right on the lot, so to speak, is guilty of this unequal emphasis, for stories of real news value rarely come from the School of Liberal Arts. Its publicity must go out through some other channel. It is here that the Thespians perform a useful and lasting work.

Among the more serious thinking men of the College there has long been a murmur, a half-ashamed protest that Penn State is not getting quite the right type of freshmen, that keen brains naturally gravitate to the institutions having the strongest reputations for culture. And Penn State, as a seat of culture, is almost unknown.

Just how the presentation of a highly diverting musical comedy can convey to the audience the impression that the members of its cast are the products of a cultural, liberal education is not definitely known. The impression is conveyed nevertheless. What the Triangle Club has done for Princeton and the Mask and Wig for Pennsylvania the Thespians Club is doing for Penn State.

May "The Kid Himself" be presented in the true Thespian manner and with "S. R. O." signs at the box office windows.

FRATERNITY RUSHING

A glance at the numerous newspaper exchanges which flood the office each week reveals the gradual trend of new and more efficient ideas on fraternity rushing in every progressive institution in the country. Fraternities have begun to realize that cut-throat policies are not only harmful to themselves but also to the eligible men and the college as well.

Last year, a new rushing code, complete in every detail was presented to the Penn State Interfraternity Council, but it was vetoed. Commenting on this action, the COLLEGIAN stated in an editorial: "Penn State has progressed rapidly within the past fifty years, but it is evident that Greek-letter societies here have failed to display the same degree of advancement. The I. F. C.'s action last week simply hangs another millstone around the necks of its members and postpones an affirmative decision that must come sooner or later."

It is rumored about the campus that a new rushing code will be presented to the I. F. C. within a short time. The present is none too soon to begin thinking over the matter. Penn State fraternities should realize by this time that the present method of rushing is obsolete, that it must be replaced by something bigger in purpose and better in ideals.

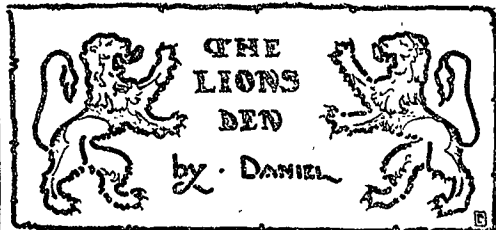
When the new plan is submitted, it is our most earnest hope that it pass the Council by a unanimous vote. For it will mean the beginning of a new era in fraternity circles in the Nittany Valley.

WILLIAMSPORT AND BUCKNELL CLUBS TO MEET CHESS TEAM Tentative preparations for the Williamsport and Bucknell meet were formulated at a meeting of the Chess Club last Thursday night.

Matches which will be open to all players will be used in choosing the team. Any one interested in joining the club and entering the contests should be present at the next meeting, Thursday night, January seventh.

SCARAB ELECTIONS

C. W. Stegworth '26
H. C. Roberts '26
K. H. Saylor '27
J. Y. Roy '27
C. G. Leitzel '27



Dear Dan:
How's Diana? When I last read your column a few months ago I knew at once that it was written for only the highest class of dumbbells. Being of this class and ranking very high (if I must say it myself) I thought I'd write something for you. How's this?
'Twas a glorious day that evening,
When I walked out to sea,
The burning sand refreshed me,
The snow reached to my knee.
I was going to make that poem longer but you know for yourself that these college chaps and other half wits wouldn't believe it. That would be just like them.
Yours constantly,
Mabel Loge

P. S. It sure took some inspiration to write that poem and it wasn't a two year ago, you can bet on that. If you want a taste of that inspiration be around but don't bring the office notes.
M. L.

CLASSIFIED

These are
Poets and poets,
Danny, but here's
A poem
From a Poetess
(Sad but true
I'm a co-ed)
Blank verse
Is the style, so
I thought I'd
Write and tell you
What I think
Of the campus shacks,
With their coon
Coats and their
Smooth lines
And wadded dancing
Sud but true
I've never run
Across that type
If you know
Of any
Please send
Him around
Cause I'm bluh-uh!
Hopefully submitted
I. M. Foreline

Dear Contributors:
As you will observe Danny is in a quandary, but says that he will do his best to fill the requirements, if you just slip him the telephone numbers in order to facilitate matters. In the first place he must admit that he needs some "heavy inspiration" and again offers his condolences to Miss Foreline for the present.

SCARAB SOCIETY GRANTS CHAPTERS AT CONCLAVE

Two additional architectural fraternities were admitted to the Scarab Society at the recent national convention at Penn State. In addition to the installation of chapters at Washington University and the University of Minnesota, a petition from the University of South Carolina was briefly considered. It will be taken up at the next national meeting. This was the first Scarab convention ever held here. During the recent conclave the following national officers were elected: H. G. Valentine of St. Louis, president; H. E. Gamble of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, secretary; treasurer and G. H. Beal of New York University, historian. The society accepted the invitation of the University of Kansas to assemble there next fall.

STATE SWINE BREEDERS DOUBLE RECORD OF 1924

According to Prof. H. H. Haines, head of animal husbandry extension work, the final report of the 1925 Keystone Ton Litter club shows that 121 ton litters were bred by Pennsylvania swine raisers this year. Last year the entire state produced only fifty-eight litters weighing one ton or more when six months old. In addition to the actual number of ton litters grown in the state, forty other, were in the near-ton class of eighteen hundred to two thousand pounds. This year's record ties that of Illinois for national honors. York.

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PENN STATE CLUB PLANS WINTER SPORT PROGRAM

Many Other Activities of Club Point to Busy Season—Dance Is Success

Although the Penn State Club dance which was held in the Odd Fellows' Hall Saturday night drew a comparatively small crowd, the organization's second social function of the year was successful. The entire dance floor was decorated with club colors.

Besides the regular dance music, P. T. Tulenko '28, leader of the club orchestra, played several novelty selections during the evening. All Hubbell of the Hubbell School of Dancing also added to the entertainment by giving a special Charleston dance exhibition.

Unit Leaders Officers of the club wish to call attention of all non-faternity students that they must sign up with unit leaders before Christmas vacation in order to get their grades for the fifteen weeks' period.

Immediately after the vacation the Penn State Club will start winter sport activities in basketball and wrestling. All non-faternity students wishing to take part should get in touch with their respective unit leaders at once.

The names and addresses of all unit leaders are as follows: Unit 1—J. B. Longenecker, 128 1-2 Allen street; Unit 2—J. G. Haag '26, 240 East College avenue; Unit 1—D. E. Wetzel, 133 McAllister street; Unit 3—J. P. Dunn '28, 315 West Beaver avenue; Unit 6—J. M. Hamish '29, 506 East College avenue; Unit 8—W. I. Fiedler, 234 Pugh street; Unit 9—R. W. Simmons '27, 531 West Beaver avenue; Unit 10—H. L. Detwiler '28, 210 Highland avenue; Unit 11—A. M. Laimore '28, 720 West College avenue; Unit 12—T. M. Langgan '28, 510 Pugh street; Unit 15—J. L. Yoder '27, 200 South Atherton street; Unit 17—R. L. Smith '28, 206 Burrows street; Unit 20—J. D. Hosterman '26, 102 Park avenue; Unit 21—O. A. Burgess '27, 310 Allen street; Unit 21—G. B. Fieger '28, Watts Hall. Students living in sections where no unit leaders have been assigned may register under any unit.

Penn State Professor Makes Dancing Record

Prof. P. H. Schweitzer of the Penn State Engineering School, established what is believed to be a record when he danced for one hour and thirty-eight minutes without a stop while returning from Europe on board the liner Minnekahda last week. This feat was accomplished.

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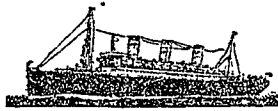
while the ship was at the mercy of a storm of hurricane force that made the performance all the more remarkable.

It is reported that Professor Schweitzer was still far from a state of exhaustion and could have made the record more imposing had not the orchestra given out, fatigued from the effort of holding to their chairs Professor Schweitzer, a man above middle age, and his various partners were the only dancers holding sway on the floor at the time.

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