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"DO YOU ACCEPT THIS CODE?"

For some inconceivable reason a number of fraternities have banded together for the ostensible purpose of defeating Penn State's proposed rushing code for next year. There was no evidence of a widespread discontent with the revised plan until Interfraternity Council decided at its meeting Monday night to submit the new code to the individual chapters for their acceptance or rejection rather than permit the delegates to voice their opinion on the matter. The ballots which were forwarded to each fraternity contain the single query, "Do you accept this code?" A blank space is provided for either an affirmative or negative reply, and a postscript requests each fraternity to return its judgment before noon today. It is understood that the result of this vote will determine whether Penn State fraternities will retain last year's rushing code, with the stated revisions, or revert to the indefensible practice of "lead-piping."

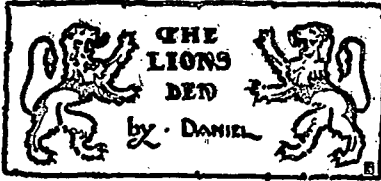
Opponents of the proposed code maintain that, until Penn State is ready to adopt deferred rushing, the old plan of open rushing is superior to last year's code. This, despite the fact that a supervised system will inevitably lead to belated rushing, whereas the recurrence of "lead-piping" will delay interminably the adoption of deferred pledging. Supporters of the proposed code are, from all indications, vitally interested in the future of fraternity rushing at Penn State; and likewise, they are convinced that retention of last year's code will eventually light the road to deferred rushing. Then, it is believed, Penn State's most perplexing fraternity problem will be solved. If, however, today's balloting should result in the rejection of the code, Penn State fraternities will have annulled completely their forward-looking plans.

THREE YEARS AGO

Three years ago Penn State witnessed for the first time an unrivalled pageantry of college life. Move-up Day—the time-honored tradition—will be re-enacted tomorrow afternoon as another generation of Penn State men and women is informally inducted into a worldly fraternity, while other generations advance inevitably to a like fate. Freshmen, grateful for their release from the bonds of regulated freedom, will proclaim their rise to a sophomore's station in life by donning their funeral headpieces as they file past a dink-burdened pyre. Flashy cravats, gaudy socks, and a shapeless hat will attest to the eagerness of first-year men for the long-awaited promotion. Meanwhile, unsuspecting sophomores will vacate their class niche to permit its occupancy by the advancing horde, discarding their headpieces as they lay claim to third-year standing. A duo-colored blazer will distinguish the retiring junior from his successor, while the traditional Lion suit assures the outgoing senior of dress distinction during this all-College procession.

Although a necessary part of the annual spectacle, the doffing and donning of apparel is a superficial index to the full significance of the custom. A revelation of the thoughts which fill the minds of paraders would be a more accurate picture. What a freshman or sophomore thinks about doesn't matter much; it is the thought uppermost in the minds of the junior or senior that really counts. Does the senior vision with pleasure his removal from the picture? Or do heart throbs denote a reluctance, an unwillingness to pass on? The answer is not an easy one. Only the prospective graduate can give a ready reply. Even then the reply may be questioned, pending the reception which the college man or woman receives in this materialistic world of ours.

Be that as it may, the outgoing senior cannot break his bonds of friendship without feeling a sudden twinge; nor can he sever his relations with the College which he has learned to love without experiencing pangs of sorrow. No matter what he may accomplish, no matter how rapid he may progress, there is a lingering love that no one can destroy. Eagerly he will watch the development of his Alma Mater, and expectantly he will note her proud reputation, looking always for betterment—if not perfection. These and other thoughts present a panoramic view which is unequalled in any art gallery. And like thoughts becloud the eyes of the incoming senior, thus uncovering the innermost signs of character among men. Tomorrow is more than Move-up Day to the Class of 1929. It is the last page in four volumes of Penn State life, and a lasting record of that most traditional of traditions, Penn State Spirit.



The Collegian's Lament

Tomorrow I leave for my home,
 For my love;
 Tonight I am anxious but free,
 Tomorrow I leave for my home,
 For my love,
 But I leave a love here, too, you see.

Tact If Not Truth

The most subtle bit of flattery we've heard of for some moons was that written by a funny college student (you know the "Oh, he's a scream" type) who sent his picture to a gorgeous, ravishing, magnificent co-ed (this is merely an anecdote) and signed it in this wise: "From the ridiculous to the sublime."

Add: Simile

"As misplaced as a cigarette ad in a candy store."

Not Funny

Most of the difficulties of the world, says little Oscar, bat boy for the Education faculty baseball team, arise from man's thinking too lightly or too deeply upon a subject.

Pathetic Figure

One of the saddest cases that has occurred on the campus in a long, long time is that of the Scotch student who was elected Class Donor.

Not Talking Shop

Contrary to popular belief, Mr. Norman Thomas, former presidential candidate on the Progressive ticket, when he appeared in Old Chapel Wednesday night did not give a dry speech.

One For All, Etc.

Speaking of Mr. Thomas reminds us during this critical pre-graduation period that we have a firm belief, since hearing his talk, that socialism would work very well if applied to our present honor point system.

Yes, As A Rule

Another philosophic contributor to this week's Lint-type hash writes in to quoth, "When it comes to learning the Golden Rule, most of us can't seem to get past the first inch."

In a measure, this is true.

Forlorn Figures

The prominent public celebrity who couldn't make his signature illegible.

Add I: Simile

"As disdainful as a novelist who has no eccentricities . . ."

Says Solomon

Diplomacy is nine-sevenths of a diploma.

Add 2: Simile

As collegiate as a freshman on the night of Move-Up Day.

Yes, Thank You

Now that most of the senior interviews are over, we review with a kind of chortle the various humorous stories and incidents that resulted from them. And just to disprove that situation, predicament, call it what you will, is not a more effective method of dispensing humor than is word play, we relate the following:

A certain Western manufacturing company sent one of their representatives to interview Penn State prospects. He spoke frankly, firmly, tersely: "We got a big company. When you start with us you got to do a man's job—rolling logs, heaving lumber, hard honest-to-goodness labor. Tough work!"

The white collar opposite looked at him incredulously, smiled a sheepish grin, tried hard not to perspire and stumped.

"Well," said the representative interviewer breaking an uneasy silence, "I'm glad t'ave metcha anyhow." And the engineers circulate that as an absolutely funny story. Maybe we should have a slide-rule.

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Letter Box

(The Collegian welcomes communications not longer than 150 words, on any subject of campus interest. The editors do not assume any responsibility for sentiments expressed in the Letter Box, however.)

May 14, 1929.

Editor, Penn State COLLEGIAN
 State College, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Now that the Cheerleader elections are over and the best man has received the position, that all four of the candidates desired so much, there is still something that puzzles many of us. By what queer twist of fate, we can call it for the present, did our A-A happen to place the candidates on the ballot in the order, Porter, Heicklen, Detwiler, Shope?

In a College such as our own dear Penn State, what type of fair play and good sportsmanship did that exemplify? Is it not customary to place the names of the candidates in alphabetical order, or to have the candidates themselves draw for position? Neither of these was done!

The outcome of the election, in this case, clearly showed the overwhelming popularity of the new head-cheerleader, and how strong the consensus of opinion was of his ability to fill the position. However, the fact remains, in a closer race the position of the candidates on the ballot would have been a deciding factor. In future elections would it not be wiser and fairer to place the candidates on the ballots in an unprejudiced manner instead of a recurrence of what happened last Monday?

Sincerely,

(Signed) F. C. SCHWERER Jr. '30

Twenty Years Ago

A new departure in State musical circles is the trip by the orchestra to be made next week. Never before has State ever had an orchestra to compare with the one this year. The success which the organization is bound to receive will surely repay the members for their hard work. They have made good at some of the recent big College dances and can produce a concert program just as well.

On Friday evening, May 7, the last of the Y. M. C. A. entertainment will be given by Mr. Karl Germaine. For his performance which is one of magic, mystery and illusion, he has gained the highest praise throughout England where he has been performing for the last two years.

The Pharonians are to take a trip next week and will show at Carlisle, Chambersburg and Danville.

The last banquet of the class of 1909 was held at the Bush House, in Bellefonte on last Friday night and was attended by about sixty-five of its members. The first speaker was K. H. Marsh, who responded to the toast "Our Class" and many times he was interrupted by applause.

After considerable trouble in getting the mailing lists of the Press club started everything is now running smoothly. Material is now being sent to all the principle papers throughout the State.

Last night at its weekly meeting in Old Chapel the Literary club discussed the problems of its organization and deplored the fact that a suitable College magazine describing Penn State life was not to be found on the campus.

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Collegian-a

They call it hazing.

"They" pertains to the freshman co-eds.

And "it" pertains to the custom of wearing golashes and umbrellas during one day of the year—today.

Naturally "it" couldn't pertain to the co-eds.

Wrong gender.

And besides they don't have "it."

But to return to hazing, we always thought of hazing as a means of punishment and thought that the poor girls were to be pitied since they were made to trudge about in golashes and with umbrellas over their shoulders.

Instead, it's really a pleasure and necessity to wear the above articles. At least it's safe.

Especially with the weather we've been having.

But here's the sad part of it all. The co-eds are required to take off all manner of make-up such as rouge, lipstick, powder. They must take them

off for 'today.

And that's the rub!

A student is not to be surprised, therefore, if he fails to recognize his co-ed friend.

Although she will probably complain about that.

That'll be nothing new.

Co-eds have been complaining for many years that they haven't been recognized.

Maybe if they were restricted every day as they are today, they might be recognized constantly.

Yep. Pity the poor freshman co-eds who are being hazed something terrible this day.

Yet it's a subtle tradition, indeed.

That decrees all freshman co-eds must refrain from the use of cosmetics.

But allows them the use of an umbrella.

To cover their faces.

Thomas Believes Socialism Would Prevent Poverty

"I am a socialist because I believe that the present social system is inadequate for properly solving the needs of society," Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President in 1928, told his listeners in Old Chapel Wednesday night.

"The basis of civilization has changed so that we now have the right to expect the conquest of poverty," continued the speaker. "We say that the United States is prosperous, but does that prosperity reach all? For the fact that we have gained so much control over nature in this mechanical age, our needs are met to a great extent in that field. We need not worry so much now about nature's conquest, but we must attack the human problems that confront us in society."

"With all our money, we have not begun to abolish poverty," he said. "The conditions of the lower classes in the slums is in a worse condition than ever before. Our present system is irrational because it fails to expunge the problems of society," the speaker asserted.

"Each man has private ownership of property. To some this is limited while to others the ownership of property is for power," stated Mr. Thomas. "I believe that there should be more public ownership of things necessary to life and more protection should be afforded the farmers and renters. The only way out of our plight is social planning and con-

trol of ownership. Our political democracy is being undermined by the present system which does not plan for posterity."

Mr. Thomas declared that the seeds of war are evident in the present social order and that the United States is imperialistic. The way to outlaw war is not to believe that war is inevitable because we are nearer a conflict now than we ever were. The United States holds the destinies of the world and we should approach them face to face to make a basic readjustment, he believes.

In conclusion, Mr. Thomas said, "I am a socialist not because the work is done but because it is to be done. We should approach the problems of social control with co-operation and develop a program with which to work out the problems in a democratic manner."

DAIRYMEN MEET TODAY

The Central Pennsylvania Ice Cream Manufacturers' association will hold their annual May meeting at the College today under the auspices of the dairy husbandry department.

POULTRY STUDENTS FINISH ANNUAL INSPECTION TRIP

Seniors in the poultry husbandry department of the School of Agriculture have just completed an extensive inspection trip during which they visited poultry farms in Pennsylvania, New York and Ontario, Canada.

They also visited Cornell University, Ontario Agricultural college and the Minister of Agriculture of Ontario province. The entire trip covered 1500 miles.

KANSAS PROFESSOR VISITS PENNSYLVANIA INSTITUTION

Professor C. V. Williams, of the University of Kansas, who is making his headquarters here for this semester only, has been visiting high schools in this state in order to study work being done in vocational agriculture.



FRIDAY—

Mary Astor, Robert Armstrong in "THE WOMAN FROM HELL"

Synchronized Picture—Music Only

SATURDAY—

June Collyer, Louise Dresser in "NOT QUITE DECENT"

Music and Dialogue Sequence

MONDAY and TUESDAY—

Walter Huston, Charles Ruggles in "GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS"

All-Talking Picture

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY—

Clive Brook, Neil Hamilton, Baclanova in "THE DANGEROUS WOMAN"

All-Talking Picture

NEXT FRIDAY—

All-Star Cast in "NAPOLEON'S BARBER"

and "ACROSS THE ATLANTIC"

(The Flight of the Zeppelin)

Nittany Theatre

(Open Tuesday and Saturday)

SATURDAY—

Ken Maynard in "CALIFORNIA MAIL"

TUESDAY—

Louis Wolheim, Junior Coughlin in "SQUARE SHOULDERS"

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IT'S REALLY A SHAME TO INTERRUPT THE PROFESSOR'S CHASE OF THE DIURNAL LEPIDOPTERA AND TURN THE BULL ON HIM! BUT YOU HAVE TO BLAME THE ARTIST FOR THAT.

Obviously, few of us have the chance—or tempo—to make ourselves out of ourselves. But even in the normal course of human events, there's nothing so welcome as a refreshing pause. Happily there's a soda fountain or refreshment stand—with plenty of ice-cold Coca-Cola ready—around the corner from anywhere. With its full-crown taste and cool after-sensation of refreshment, it makes a little pause long enough for a big one.

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IT HAD TO BE GOOD TO GET WHERE IT IS