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A SERIOUS QUESTION

A student walked into the Infirmary last week and complained that he "wasn't feeling well." An examination disclosed a high fever and sore throat, whereupon he was instructed to remain at the hospital for further observation. Protesting that he "couldn't miss the time from classes," the student refused to stay. Becoming ill during the night, this student was compelled to go to the Infirmary early the next morning, where prompt attention prevented what may have developed into a more serious ailment.

This we are told, is not an unusual occurrence. Investigation proved, moreover, that the student's refusal to remain in confinement was prompted by the desire "to save money." That is the reason, no doubt, why countless students reject the assistance of the Health Service when their illness demands it. The inevitable result is a storm of protest against the College and its health service. The complainants do not stop to consider that a patient cannot hope to be cured unless he obeys the doctor's orders and accepts the treatment that is afforded.

This situation, in the opinion of the COLLEGIAN, demands the immediate attention of the student body. A mutual aid plan whereby free hospital service would be offered to Penn State students has been suggested by responsible authorities. The question is: Will the student body consent to an increased fee for this purpose? The answer should be forthcoming from Student Council.

Although a staunch supporter of the "no captain" system the COLLEGIAN joins with the student body in congratulating the lettermen upon their election of Frank Diedrich to the captaincy of the 1930 football team. A blot on the advisability of the "no captain" system preceded the election, the result of which was guaranty that team play would not be affected by the choice of a leader. With this assured—and Captain-Diedrich safeguarded against Old Man Jim—the outlook for the 1930 football season is certainly promising.

WORDS OF CONSOLATION

It has been our policy since time immemorial to commend the good students to the campus gods. We have always maintained that the student who achieves scholastic distinction is the ideal man or woman. This ideal was blasted recently, however, by a certain Mr. G. C. Brandenburg of Purdue University.

Addressing a group of distinguished leaders in education, Mr. Brandenburg asserted that five-year tests at Purdue marked scholastic attainment almost as a detriment to material gain in later life. Presumably Mr. Brandenburg was not seeking wide publicity in the press, for he had sound evidence to uphold his contention. The revelation, if we may call it that, is puzzling. Are we to conclude that college is a waste of time and, to quote Mr. Brandenburg, that "it pays to be impressive, agreeable, and not too intellectual"? If so, we are willing to accept these words of consolation, but unwilling, to endorse them.

A move we are heartily in favor of is the one recommended to the delegates to the national convention of Tau Kappa Alpha, debating fraternity, proposing more interesting topics for intercollegiate debates. The sentiment of the delegates was that questions generally used by college debaters were not chosen to arouse interest either in the debaters or in their audiences. Questions of campus interest no doubt would be a bigger boon to college debating than long-winded discussions on the merits of advertising or the defects of the jury system.

The action of the Senior Ball Committee, whereby tickets for the dance are placed in sole charge of the College Treasurer's office, is a step in the right direction. This plan safeguards the committee against charges of "ticket scalping" for personal gain; and should be adopted by other dance committees for the same reason.

The Show Window

Although our conscience was considerably relieved when we were not offered an invitation to the He-She dance last Friday evening, our curiosity triumphed over our better judgment and we decided to attend the function. Our first attempt to crash the forbidden gates disguised as a writer from the Ladies' Home Journal failed ignominiously. Our second attempt disguised as a Lucky Strike salesman failed also and we reached for the great outdoors instead of a sweet. After posing successively as editor of the *Booth*, janitor, and a co-ed's parent, we hid in the bass drum and were smuggled in with the orchestra.

We gather the decoration motif was a beach party, but the blue crepe paper beach and sky with white paper waves and stationary gulls, failed to deceive us. Likewise the single beach umbrella looked alarmingly like the umbrella on the grocery wagon on back home. As to the counterfeits "he's" and "she's" we noticed a preponderance of pajamas and white knickerbockers. We can only say that mens' clothes look best on men.

Among the things that took the Campuseer's eye were:

1. Anne McQuire in white shirt and trousers with a 1930 blazer, looking very official-like.
2. A girl in exotic pajamas, the lower part being green; the upper part sleeveless, low cut in the front, and a mass of red, white, and green, wearing a dark green scarf to hold up her hair.
3. Two co-eds dancing together.
4. The blonde angel who used to date Momy Kline last year in a white shirt and blue and white flowered overalls. Heaven bless her little heart, she reminded us of Pollyanna.
5. Jo Lees looking rather toughneckish in a beachcomber costume.
6. Peg MacGuffie in a pale blue Russian creation—of distinction—it depends on the point of view.

We would be delighted if item number two would accidentally send her name and address to this department, care of the COLLEGIAN. It would help ease the carache we contracted after an evening in a bass drum. We forgot to mention that the entire rifle team gathered on the armory balcony to give the girls a hand.

About the campus Di T-chan and his trusty pipe heading for class in the frosty morning. Chuck Mensch, who is supposed to write this column . . . That ashen is still beside the monument to the old willow. They might paint it in an artistic manner at least. Wilbur Jones brightens the lives of some co-eds in the library. . . Eddie Welsh, Colonel Bob Porter's right hand man, carrying books in his left hand. There is a student in college named Granville Buzzle Welch. It sounds like a character from a freshman theme. Scott Geesey strolls nonchalantly into the local taproom with a rifle over his shoulder. Several people were seen to start up from their seats but he merely ordered a chocolate frost and departed peacefully. . . Spats are gaining a strong foothold in the College (this was not intended to be humorous). Rip Matkle conceals a verghy collection of keys under his coat. How much did Professor Bouche make or lose in the stock market crash?

Thoughts while studying. We think its mighty mean not to let us know who the honorary colonels are. . . We can't even place bets this way but a lit-bird whispered that we should place our rupees on Helen Faust and Virginia Green. . . We are giving three to five odds and the line forms on the right. What did they put in that hole in front of the Liberal Arts building? . . . What are we going to do during that week's vacation between semesters? . . . When are the R. O. T. C. subalterns and such going to get their sabres? Who invented the idea of final exams anyway?

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NEXT TO THE MOVIES

BALDWIN SUPPORTS PROPOSED CHANGE IN 'LA VIE' SYSTEM

Senior President Believes New Plan Would Reduce Cost. Improve Publication

FAVORS INTRODUCTION OF COMPETITIVE BASIS

Scheme May Increase Women's Chances for Election to Yearbook Staff

Election of *La Vie* officials under a competitive system similar to those of other College publications was recommended unqualifiedly by F. Bruce Baldwin, editor-in-chief of the 1930 yearbook and senior class president, in a statement to the COLLEGIAN yesterday.

"Such a system," Baldwin declared, "would result in a better *La Vie* at a greatly reduced cost. It would take the selection of editors from the hands of politicians and place it on a merit basis."

In addition to assuring that positions went to the best men, the senior executive believes the proposal would give control to officers experienced in yearbook work. He feels that the present plan thrusts the task of publishing the volume upon men entirely unfamiliar with this type of work.

"More than \$3,000," Baldwin estimates, "could be saved under the new scheme. Elimination of inefficiency caused by inexperienced executives would speed work up to enable taking advantage of discounts for sending copy to engravers and printers early. The smaller staff would mean at least a \$300 increase in *La Vie* fees to the College."

Competition would produce a better grade of work, according to the 1930 president. It also would afford women students equal opportunity to compete for principal posts.

"I base my conclusions largely on my experience as editor of the *La Vie*," the student leader stated. "The present system is manifestly unfair and should be revised."

Baldwin concluded by saying: "A competitive plan of elections was favored by a vast majority of colleges at the National Student Federation of America convention at Palo Alto, Cal. In fact, Penn State was the only institution represented at the record book discussion whose staff was chosen at a general class election."

AMERICAN STUDENTS ATTEND SUMMER SESSION IN MEXICO

Large numbers of American university students annually journey to Mexico to attend the special summer session of the University of Mexico now planning its tenth yearly session. Originally planned to give American teachers an opportunity to study, the course has gradually expanded until the summer school has far surpassed its original purpose.

PUBLICATIONS PLAN DANCE

Staff members of all College papers and magazines will dance in the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity when the annual publications dance is held March 1. Subscription for the affair has been set at \$1.00.

Wit and Wisdom

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Letter Box

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To the Editor of COLLEGIAN, Dear Sir:

It seems pathetic that there are present at this college a few students who have not been sufficiently imbued with the ideals of good sportsmanship which this institution tries to foster in its relations with other schools. Such students are for the most part harmless, but when they try to make themselves conspicuous at athletic contests, their actions become quite odious and demand rebuff.

The continual shouting at the recent basketball games urging the players to shoot for the basket, in addition to booming a referee's adverse decision, all eliminated by the presence of a motion in the stands who devised pleasure from blowing a tazzing device is sufficient evidence that steps must be taken to halt the action of these pseudo-sportsmen.

The first thing a freshman learns when he enters this college is the presence of a Penn State Honor Code, which says that "a good name is earned by fair play, square dealing and good sportsmanship." Is it possible that there are some who have forgotten this important feature of student life? We cheerlessly attempt to curb unsportsmanlike conduct at athletic events but there is very little response to our pleas.

In closing, may I add that another time-honored tradition is the singing of Alma Mater at the close of all athletic contests, something which is apparently forgotten by many.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) DAVID KRISH '31

Co-ed Chats

Observance of Cwen week when all sophomore members of the organization make a special attempt to wear the traditional blazer, should be an incentive to every girl. To the freshmen these blazers should represent something to work for. Scholarship, leadership and activities are the Cwen ideals, and they should be the ideals of every college girl. Further, a willingness to work in the background at small and unexcited tasks is a Cwen precept, exemplified by the many small things Cwens do that nobody ever hears about, not because they are insignificant, but because active, honor and publicity are poor awards for well-doing.

Upperclass girls need not feel their case hopeless if they found themselves left out when Cwens were tapped last spring or the spring before. There are still plenty of opportunities for the girl who wishes to work.

However, a single attribute will not take a girl very far. Her life should be well rounded. It should represent a combination of all that is worth while, and if she tries to make it such, Archonism may not pass her by.

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Council To Consider 'La Vie,' Sports Park

Election of *La Vie* staffs on a competitive basis and a winter sports development will be considered by Student Council at its first meeting of the year this week.

Council may vote on the proposal to remove *La Vie* elections from the general class balloting and inaugurate a system of competition used by other college publications. It also will take up the improvement of facilities for winter athletics and routine matters awaiting action.

AMERICANS DEMAND BIGGER, BETTER CARS, GRAPH SHOWS

Bigger and better cars are demanded by the American people, a graph on the tendencies in automobile manufacture compiled by Prof. W. E. Lay of the University of Michigan shows. The four cylinder car, popular in 1910, gave way to the six cylinder machine which reached its peak in 1921. The eight cylinder motor leads at the present time. Whether the new sixteen cylinder car will become popular depends upon whether it will add to riding comfort, according to Professor Lay.

STATISTICS PROVE WOMEN MATRICULATE BEFORE MEN

Women students enter college at an earlier age than men, according to statistics compiled by the University of Wisconsin.

Three fourths of the co-eds enter that institution between the ages of fifteen and eighteen, while only half of the male students fall into this class. Of the entire group of men and women eighty-one per cent enter between the ages of seventeen and nineteen.

RELIGION IS KINDNESS' CHAPEL SPEAKER SAYS

Dr. A. H. Clark, Missionary, Talks on Complex Problems of India

Defining religion as living in kindness with one's fellowmen and discussing complex problems existing in India, Dr. Alden H. Clark, missionary in India for twenty-five years, addressed chapelgoers Sunday.

"India is not only in confusion because she is groping her way, but because of her ancient wrong," stated Doctor Clark.

"India believes that the greatest uplifting force will come to India when she is free from superstition. In conclusion, he related a story drawn from real life expressing the love of man for man and the presence of Christ among all people."

COLGATE AWARDS 'C' CHARM

In order to award those men in non-athletic extra curricular activities a new rule has been established at Colgate university whereby the Colgate 'C' charm is awarded to men of responsibility on student publications, dramatic clubs, and musical organizations.

CARTHEM

TUESDAY—
Ronald Colman, Ann Harding, Louis Wolheim in "CONDEMNED" All-Talking Romantic Melodrama

WEDNESDAY—
Lafe Teler, Monte Blue, H. B. Warner in "FIGHT ROSE" Melodrama of the Northwest Mounted

THURSDAY—
Dolores Costello, Jack Mulhall in "SECOND CHOICE" All-Talking Romantic Drama

FRIDAY—
Richard Dix, Miriam Seegar in "SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPAPE" All-Talking Comedy

Nittany Theatre

TUESDAY—
Olve Boardman, Joseph Cawthorne, Lee Moran in "DANCE HALL" Romantic Comedy-Drama

FRIDAY—
Dolores Costello, Jack Mulhall in "SECOND CHOICE"

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