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ROUND ONE

The bell clangd. Two stalwart sons stepped to the center of the ring, primed themselves for a final effort, and put their heart and fist into those last few minutes of fighting. The clanging bell brought the third round to a close. Marty McAndrews and Moon Chapple, friendly rivals in the deciding bout of the Penn State-Navy meet two years ago, tugged to their corners to await the decision of the judges. A draw was the verdict, and victory was put out of reach by the referee's ban on an extra round. So passed Penn State's golden opportunity to shatter an undefeated Navy boxing record that now is eleven years old.

But tomorrow will be another day, and another opportunity. Whether Marty and Moon are the principals in tomorrow's ring drama or not, the stage is set for a surprise ending. Penn State is making time until the curtain rises on what promises to be the greatest boxing meet in the history of intercollegiate sports. Meanwhile, College cannons boom their welcome to our friends and foes, the Midshipmen.

Stirred to action by the loud criticism of the once-famous Penn State Spirit, campus societies have joined forces in the promotion of a giant pep rally tonight for Coach Leo Houck and his ring warriors on the eve of their combat with Navy's undefeated boxers. Although unusual in the annals of Penn State sports, the opportunity was grasped, not only to urge the leather pushers on to victory, but also to determine whether the student body would respond to a call to arms. The call was inevitable, and the turnout tonight will tell whether it was likewise vain.

"IF"

The proposed merger of Interfraternity and Intramural Councils would be unqualifiedly good, if there were no if in the plan. Unhappily, though, there is an if. No obstacle would be in the way of the union of the two councils, as President Fred C. Schweier of Intramural Council makes plain in his report, if it were not suggested that each organization retain its own rushing code. And that is an unusually formidable if. Such a merger, we would think, would have as its primary purpose the adoption of like rules and regulations in like endeavors. This would be particularly true of a rushing code.

Even now there is no distinguishing differences between the Interfraternity and the Intramural Councils other than their rushing codes. And this, unfortunately, is the only difference that counts. If there were only one rushing code, a freshman would have to be told that one fraternity was local and the other national. There certainly is no other way of telling. With the same rushing code—and under the roof of the same council—minor differences would be completely wiped out, and what traces of distinction still exist would disappear.

Overcrowded fraternity houses each week-end attest to the almost complete downfall of Penn State's hitherto unaltered system of "open house" dances. Until this year the only problem that confronted Interfraternity Council was that of the "stag" line. Now, however, visiting by underclassmen is a question of immediate concern. If the existing abuse persists for any length of time, "closed house" will be inevitable. Then copious tears will be shed by upperclassmen who now refuse to meet the question squarely. At least Interfraternity Council blames upperclassmen for non-observance of the rule. And upperclassmen return the compliment with a wide, sweeping bow. At best it looks like the great old game of "passing the buck."

A QUESTION OF TIME

This question of co-ed privileges, although a vital one, is causing no loss of sleep, if we know our male companions. However heated the argument may become, apparently there is no one ready to champion the proposed extension of the closing hour from 12:30 until 1 o'clock. The reason for this indifference is plainly evident, however. Reluctance to push the idea, we feel confident, may be attributed to the added expenditures that would accrue therefrom. At present the 12:30 ruling saves many a dime because of the limited facilities in taprooms hereabouts. Unless one curtails his dancing time, it is a known fact that a stop-over is prohibitory if the women's dormitories are to be reached on scheduled time from other than the campus and downtown fraternity houses. This being so, men students should not be expected to be urgent in their demand for the time extension. Forthwith, we propose that the co-eds declare their independence once and for all by an overwhelming vote for the 1 o'clock privilege.

THE LION'S DEN

BY DANIEL

Moo-sie

The chief feature of the Ag Musaele in Schwab auditorium tomorrow night will be lusty bellows from the shorthorns.

According to the sages, women always have it. Or if they don't have it, they somehow contrive to get it. And so, here it sets the infamous Duke on the dance stool and proves that his "To a Brown-Eyed Co-ed With Mouse Colored Hair" was but the puerile attempt of a love-sick hermit. It is

THE LAST WORD

Response this way is quick and complete. Though as you suggested it's not quite elite. This is not in defense. Of my rhyme and reason. Only plain sense. Your temper to reason. But harsh words, shirk, when breezes are soft. And thoughts tend to linger alone and aloft. To leave you illusioned. Would be a blessing no doubt. (Tho Daniel, then, forgives our bout.) Sunshine and breezes can bode no ill. And now I care naught for the victor's work-shill. I heed only the joy of new spring's thrill. E. C. K. '30

Down With "Good Health Week"

With all this talk of Good Health Week, circulating hither and thither have come many dire results. By actual count 21 fraternity caterers were fired and 134 men fainted on learning that they were being slowly starved to death. One fraternity caterer upon being told that he should serve at least one good meal during the week replied that everyone ought to be glad that weeks aren't nine days long.

And while speaking of food the other day, Miss M. J. A. '31 said that she had a consuming desire, while J. L. C. '31 expounded the gag of the child that was raised on trolley fare.

INSULT?

The wealth of a Morgan is not my ambition. Fame is not all I desire. I'm not a slave to silly superstition. But I'll knock wood before I'll aspie— Then speak not of riches. Or honors tried and true. My tastes are simple— All I want is you. J. E. '31

The Egg Situation

While going from one grocery store to another in search of the one that sells the Manila rope celery to fraternity caterers, Daniel was surprised to find that the town grocery business is facing a financial crisis.

"We didn't know until it was too late," the grocers said, "that many fraternities had abolished 'Hell Week.' Until this year we could count on 500 freshmen buying an egg every day for a week, making a total of about 3500, or a little more than three-fourths of an egg for each student in college."

Now, it seems, the old adage, "A paddle a day breaks an egg a day," doesn't hold, and the grocers are overstocked.

Daniel investigated, only to discover a huge supply of eggs that were rapidly aging to the point at which they are usually sold to fraternities. The supply is so great that it would require a week for thirteen C & F's, working day and night, to roll all the eggs down Allen street.

Daniel suggests that Interfraternity Council appoint a committee to investigate the situation.

And then there's the I. F. C. official who thought that the Interfraternity Ball proposed for April 11 would interfere with the W. S. G. A. convention because Dean Ray "might want to throw a smokes or something for the delegates that night."

Freshmen

English Books

Keeler's

CATHAUM THEATRE BUILDING

Parisians Will Form French Colony Here

With a faculty which includes a matinee idol of the Parisian stage and a former member of the Kaiser's retinue, a veritable Parisian colony will be established at the French Institute here this summer. George Vitray of the Theater Pigalle, Paris, and Dr. Louis Conz, former French tutor to the Kaiser's family, head the list of lecturers. Prof. Frederic Elms, heading the Institute, will have as his other associates, Dr. Osmond T. Robert, head of the French department at Smith college, Prof. Rene Guet, and Prof. Jeanne Guet, of Smith college, and Prof. Paul Blanchet of the French department here.

Co-ed Chats

In view of the fact that Penn State is carrying out an extensive progressive campaign, and along with everything else the status of Penn State women is gradually being raised, it is unfortunate that the advance of the women on campus should be retarded by a condition existing in the center of their social life. Moreover, were it not for the narrowness and unwillingness of the girls themselves to broaden, this condition could easily be remedied. The case is the kind of evidence upon which the W. S. G. A. Senate bases its judgment and penalties a girl who has broken some custom or rule.

Under present conditions a girl can be convicted simply upon the suspicion of any fellow student. That student, swelled with the bit of scandal, she has been able to unearth, goes to a senator, reports what she has perhaps seen and has based wild conjectures upon, and then exalts to her roommate over the fact that "That girl will get what's coming to her now."

The unhappy part of the whole affair is that neither the defendant nor the one who accuses her appear before the judicial body in person. The accused can clear herself after being questioned only by producing evidence. If the Senate decides that the offender is guilty she gets a "campus" or some other penalty. Quite often these sensational acts are based upon unjustifiable conclusions. Even if a girl is innocent, however, she often finds it much easier to take the penalty in silence rather than contest the evidence, for, after much unpleasantness, she may be able to clear herself of the charge, but generally she finds the charge still holds.

Such a state of affairs is a relic of former days. The system followed by any modern judicial body is to require the one who brings the charges to appear against the defendant before the court. In this manner the defendant can reply to any charges, and the accused must necessarily present facts rather than surmises.

Surely such an open system would be beneficial to the women of Penn State. Under present conditions, an unpleasant characteristic in the nature of woman is actually fostered and nourished. Therefore, solely by following parliamentary rule and forcing open and above-board action, the women's student body could do much to help themselves to a consideration of fair, just and tolerant dealings toward each other.

BONINE TO ATTEND CONCLAVE

Prof. Chesleigh A. Bonine will represent Penn State at a convention of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, national nursing fraternity, which is to be held at Norman, Oklahoma, April 7 and 8.

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The Campus Query

In your opinion is Hell Week a desirable way to initiate pledges?

LESTER M. SLATOFF '32
—Liberal Arts

"I sincerely believe that the continuation of rough-house initiation, in other words, Hell Week, should be discontinued among the fraternities at Penn State, as the physical suffering undergone by pledges is not in harmony with the significance and ideals of any fraternity. Contrary to prevalent opinion, this barbarous practice does not impress an initiate with the true worth of his respective fraternity."

HARVEY A. KROW '32
—Liberal Arts

"Paddling and other forms of the so-called 'man-building' experiences are out of date. Penn State is one of the last colleges to adhere to these name practices. Let us 'wuss up' Hell Week, is just an excuse for college men to go back to their childhood and practice immature tricks on undeserving freshmen. State would be better off without it."

LYANS C. GOODLING '32
—Education

"I think Hell Week is a good plan of informal initiation. It helps the freshmen to realize that the fraternity he is joining is more than just an ordinary club."

JACK H. EISEMAN '31
—Liberal Arts

"Hell Week is detrimental to the primary purpose of college, and should be abolished by the fraternities at Penn State. The more or less sleepless week undergone by the initiate is certainly not conducive to high scholastic standing. The idea that a man's worth is determined by the amount of suffering he can endure is an ancient one, and has no place in our present day standards of living."

DAVID L. DILWORTH Jr. '32
—Mineral Industries

"I believe that Hell Week is a good idea for a certain type of pledge, namely those whom it would aid in making a better fraternity man. However, the idea of quizzing the pledge on fraternity history is better for the pledge who does not require physical punishment, to make him appreciate the benefits of fraternity."

DEVERE B. DECKER '31
—Education

"Hell Week has in no way brought out any good feature in my college life, and I can see no reason for continuing such unthinking tactics."

STUDENT RAIDS NIGHT CLUBS

Raiding night clubs is the rovel means that William J. Arnold, student at the University of Texas takes to work his way through college, according to news reports.

CO-EDS

Make

SCHLOW'S QUALITY SHOP

Your Headquarters

WOMEN SPEND MOST MONEY ON CLOTHES, MEN ON CANDY

In an analysis of the purchasing powers and buying habits of Washington university students, it was found that the men's largest item of expenditure was for candy while the women's went toward the cleaning of clothes.

Washington men pamper their sweet tooth to the extent of \$9,172.25 a month, according to the survey. The women spend \$4,212.85 for clothes cleaning.

Letter Box

All "letters to the Editor" must bear the signature and address of the writer. If desired, a non de plume should supplement the signature. No responsibility is assumed by the editor for sentiments expressed in this column.

Editor, Collegian

Dear Sir:

Why not have some of this honor roll space occupied by the honorary fraternities on the campus? They muddle and carry out other rough-house tactics that the authorities are trying to prohibit. I'm not speaking for any of the honorary fraternities except the hat societies.

Doesn't it seem strange that to gain a hat, a man must "bend over," especially after he has worked hard in his particular activity to gain that distinction? Isn't that initiation enough? I believe someone ought to stop this and show the fraternities that have paddling etc., that progress is being made. Don't you?

(Signed) A Student



FRIDAY—

Bessie Love, Charles King, Marie Dressler in "CHASING RAINBOWS"

SATURDAY—

The Duncan Sisters in "IT'S A GREAT LIFE"

(Note: We are compelled to postpone showing of "The Boy Party" previously announced for this date.)

MONDAY AND TUESDAY—

Matinee Daily at 1:30
Dick Barthelmess, Constance Bennett in Rev. Beach's "SON OF THE GODS"

Nittany Theatre

FRIDAY—

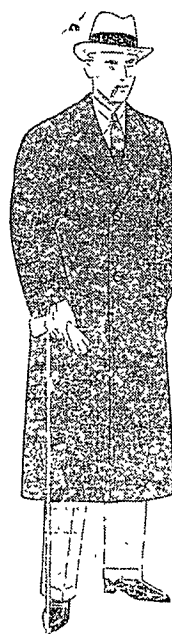
Cecil B. DeMille's "DYNAMITE"

SATURDAY—

Bessie Love, Charles King, Marie Dressler in "CHASING RAINBOWS"

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