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HANDS OFF

The rumor that political cliques have extended their activities to include other than class elections has been given widespread credence during the past week. If this be well-founded, it spreads a sinister shadow over all

It is natural that students should band together. nominate one of their number to a class office, and in return, expect distribution of political patronage as a reward for their support. But this should conclude the function of a clique. Party lines should be forgotten when the officers of non-political organizations are elected. The duty of these officers is to hold in trust the furtherance of the organization and the College, not the clique. Political patronage dare not spread to other than class offices if the student government system in all its departments is to continue in its present strength.

When a man is seekng a non-political office, the student voters should consider only the candidate's qualification for the position.

Although the favorable margin cast for free hospital at men's and women's elections was too slim to carry much weight, the interest shown in the measure proves that some change in the present health service system is desired by students. The College should take

YESTERDAY'S TRADITION

Sporadic paddling in the vicinity of Liberal Arts building and a few freshmen trotting half-heartedly about the campus are the colorless proof that Spirit Week has come once more to Penn State's campus. For the past two days the ragged remnants of an outworn tradition have hung motionless beneath the pall of student indifference. Spirit Week remains a mute testimony to the Penn State of yesterday. It has no place today.

The term "Spirit Week" itself is an evident misnomer. Perhaps when the custom was begun it had some significance. Then, everyone participated in this attempt to arouse a sense of class distinction in order that Move-up Day would be fully appreciated. It was a commendable small college custom, but times have changed. Penn State has become university-minded. Spirit Week observance is not in accord with this change. Sophomores, to whom enforcement of the custom is entrusted, are indifferent. The majority of this class looks rather shame-facedly upon the efforts of a few of its members to carry out the dictums of tradi-Upperclassmen ignore it altogether. Week is the object of campus ridicule.

The practice has been continued during the past few years as a matter of course, no doubt. It need not exist after this year. Why expose this tradition of yesterday to the glare of student criticism? Its period of usefulness is past. Let it rest.

A noticeable deficiency in the present women's election of class officers is the practice of naming the junior class president after the other two presidents have been chosen. A unified system would result if all the elections were held simultaneously.

WORTHWHILE

The difficulty that interfraternity councils at other institutions are experiencing in justifying their existence brings home sharply the real worth of the organization at Penn State.

The Interfraternity Conference, with its favorable publicity for the College, was the most important accomplishment of the Council this year. Gradual improvement of the rushing code and extension of the sports program are also proof of its worth. Opportunity to continue the good work awaits the incoming administration next year. Further improvement of the rushing code and a solution to the closed dance problem are two projects which might well be undertaken.

Lists of custom-breaking sophomores that found their way to Student Tribunal during the last two weeks are in alphabetical order, for the most part. Either the entire class has disregarded the rules that determine its campus conduct, or a few are disrespectful of the place that Student Government now holds at Penn State.

THE LION'S DEN

BY DANIEL

If Daniel had been gifted with foresight or any degree of that rare quality known as intellect, he would long ago have predicted the present deplorable gastronomic upheaval that is filling the pockets of local docs. But, then, it happens every year-this round of free and initiation banquets. So, in the words of some ancient gawk who couldn't keep his lower jaw in place, "these are the times that try men's stom-

The latest campus publication to go funny, it appears, is the Old Main Bell. For instance, here is some verse that Daniel filched from the magazine

A CAUSTIC CHEMIST

- A wise guy turned to me one day And blurted to my face:
- "You're not a chemist,
 You can't tell an acid from a base." I stopped abruptly, glared at him,
- And this was my reply—
 "I know I'm not a chemist, sir,

E. E. P.

If anyone wants to hear a bedtime story with lots of shooting just drop in on Toots Panaccion, erstwhile Lion War Horse, who spends his time these days in casting furtive glances over his left shoulder.

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Probably the worst example of waste that has come within the range of Daniel's one good eye for some time is to be found right on our own campus. Daniel hereby appoints an investigating committee composed of one thousand two hundred and ninetynine lawnmowers with one campus cop to direct traf-

The problem for them to discuss is the beautiful crop of campus dandelions-just think how many gallons of wine we are wading through every day.

IN ANSWER

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It seems to me that it is quite "ridic"
To curse a person for a bit of verse.
An open letter would have done the trick,
And it could well have been much worse.
The pleasantry which flowed from off my pen
Was not intended as direct attack;
I merely sought to satisfy my yen
For writing, of which I have no lack.
And then of course the judges
Of the Freshman Frolic must be flayed
For giving prizes to the ones whose grudges (?)
Made them enact the things which I portrayed.
If one is not allowed to copy down his senseless wh
Without receiving scorn and acid words,
Then to those criticizers of my foolish hymns
I now will give a flock of birds!"
L'Envoi:—

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Still more: for fear I might disgrace my class And keep it from its sure success, I'll take the numerals off this time, And so I'll sign myself just

F. M. S.

* A bird is made by blowing the breath stoutly through the compressed lips to the accompaniment of much wavng of fingers which surround the mouth in funnel shape. Try it-even your best friends won't like it .- Daniel.

There is a purpose in most writing, and so it is with this although it is not entertainment as some thinking person might suggest. There are words and words, and them there are words, but these words are nothing more than words despite the fact that Webster made a best-seller of them. Six days did he labor, and on the seventh tried to rest, but couldn't because college students are always coining new words. This writing that you are reading has a purpose, and here it is-just to fill this column.

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RADCLIFFE NAMED TO HEAD PLAYERS

Newly Initiated Member Selected President of Dramatic Club Wednesday Night

Penn State Players set an innova-tion at their annual initiation banquet held Wednesday night at the State College hotel when Ralph Radcliffe jr. 31 was admitted to membership and was also elected president of the organization to succeed Milton C. Young 30.

oung '30.. Radcliffe, who had not participated in a Player's production until this year, was especially active in the or-

production, and is now rehearsing for the leading part of the organiza-tion's commencement show, "The

for the leading part of the organization's commencement show, "The Meanest Man In The World."

At the same meeting, Helen Buck, water '31 was elected to the vice-presidency of the organization. Florence E. Sneddon '32 was awarded the sceretarial position and Ann A. D'Olier '32 was named historian. Robert W. McKune '32 was chosen for the position of treasurer.

Miss Buckwalter, a veteran of several years of Player productions, was

pral years of Player productions, was seen this year in "The Royal Famly." She is a member of Theta Alpha Phi, national honorary dramatic organiza-

ARKS, KENNEDY WILL GO TO WORLD'S POULTRY CONCLAVE

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Two students specializing in poultry
courses will accompany Prof. Herman
C. Knandel, of the poultry husbandry
department, on his-trip to the World
Poultry Conference in London, from
July 22 until July 30 this summer.
Robert R. Parks '31 and John W.
Kennedy '32 have been selected to attend the conference. The party will
sail from Montreal on July 12. After
the conference, they will tour the
British Isles and several European
countries, returning to the United
States early in September.

PLAYERS ELECTIONS (Dramatic Society) Graduates Herman H. Aroudy Retta, E. Bostwick

Herman H. Aroudy
Retta, E. Bostwick
Bernard Huber jr.
William Ruckworth
Undergraduates
Clement V. Moslowski '30
James F. Aber '31
Wilson.C. Bailey '31
Earnest, P. Black '31
Mary E. Crozier '31
Ralph Radeliffe jr. '31
Townsend C. Anderson '32
Benjamin J. Conard '32
Anne D'Dolier '32
William H. Laudenslager '32
Charles A. Gault '32
George C. Garmen '32
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'STUFF' WINS FIRST PLACE

year, was especially active in the organization's presentations durng the past season. He appeared first as a juvenile in "The Royal Family." Following his impressive work in this play, he was rewarded with the lead in "The Good Hope."

Radcliffe has since played minor part in "Francesca da Rimini."

Player's one hundredth anniversary production, and is now rehearstry.

INSTITUTE STUDIES SLEEPING

OMICRON NU. ELECTIONS
(Home Economics) Marion G. Reeser '31 Hanna R. Weaver '31 Catharine M. Wheeler '31

PI GAMMA MU ELECTIONS (Honorary Social Faculty

Dr. Charles C. Peters Prof. George F. Mitch Dr. Francis J. Tschan Undergraduates Howard J. Bonser '30 Felicia A. Caperaso '30 Lee E. Corter '31 Dorothy M. Chadderdon '30 Helen F. Faust '30 William L. Hammaker '30 Edward W. Jamison '30 Hollis A. Lachat '30 Albert F. Mair '30 George Fisanick '31 Albert F. Mair '20 George Fisanick' 21 Richard J. Pilckinger '31 Thomas S. Goes '31 Marjorie Hathaway '31 Meyer L. Kaplan '31 Alton R. Klinestiver '31 Harry W. Lighstone '31 Jesse M. MacKnight jr. '31 Theodora P. Maczis '31 Benjamin W. Mehlman '3 1 Gerard J. Stack '31 William G. Walker '31

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Dr. Ashley and Dr. Toothacher, curator of the Industrial Museum in Philadelphia will be initiated as

Philadelphia, will be initiated as members of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, national mining fraternity, at the University club tonight.

CONCLUDES LECTURE SERIES "Stuff" a popular scientific book, Dr. F., K. Richtmyer, of the depart-by Prof. Pauline B. Mack of the ment of physics of Cornell university, School of Chemistry and Physics, was has concluded a series of three scien-

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Billie Dove, Basil Rathbone in "A NOTORIOUS AFFAIR"

THURSDAY...

Edmund Lowe, Warren Hymer in "BORN RECKLESS"

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