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### FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1931

THE POLITICAL PROBLEM

Ar ideal situation in politics would exist if each An ideal situation in politics would exist if each voter, qualified with average mentality and moderately culocated as to the ability of the candidates for office, would east his vote for the nominee he honestly con-idered best inted for the office. That the votes of Penn State, singly and in groups, are swayed from voting an "honest opinion" hallot by rish promises from office-seeker's has been a recog-ured for the source of computer single to make

by lash promises from onlec-seekers has been a recog-nized fact for some years. To combat such an un-savory condition last year Student Council instigated open polities, recognizing cliques but requiring them to reveal a list of members, and limiting the organizations by a small amount of money for expenses.

It has become more apparent than ever this year that the so-called "clique recognition" has done little to

that the so-called "clique recognition" has done hitle to correct political evils, but rather has brought lobbying fiom a secret hiding place and fining intrienched it on the street corner or in the halls of Old Main. The con-tinual crowd in the vicinity of ballot boxes in Old Main lobbs, although suggestive of state conventions, vas certainly not conducive to independent voting It would be useless to say that fraternity cliques should be ablished. They would crop up again under a veil of secrecy, just as they did in the past. It is also evident that where cliques must exist, an "open" system of politics is more desirable. But certain restrictions placed upon the cliques by Councel have obviously been placed upon the cliques by Council have obviously been violated by many of the organizations.

For instance, it is a violation of the election code for cliques to back Student Council nominees. Yet, for cliques to back Student Council nominees. Yet, cliques nominate these candidates and delegates instruct then respective fraternities to back the choice of the clique. Another violation of the code occurred when several fraternities switched clique affiliations after the list had been turned in to the elections committee

As far as notual voting was concerned, the ballot loves were supervised efficiently and the voters were checked by the committee in a thorough and satis-factory manner. The committee was powerless to con-trol some of the discrepancies which took place during the total. the 1931 elections, but with another year many faults in the code might be ironed out by careful legislation and strict enforcement of the election law

With the coming of Kappa Alpha Theta, the oldest nen's national Greek letter fraternity, to Penn State, another step forward has been taken by the women of this College The advance in prestige of the women at Penn State has been a gradual process covering a long period of vears But when a national with the stand-ing of Kappa Alpha Theta places a chapter in our midst, it is certainly an indication that the women here command the entric respect of the collegiate world. The Nita-Nee Club is to be congratulated They are worthy of this fine national fraternity.

### SCHOLARSHIP OR ACTIVITIES?

Although it's been a custom of college students to count the importance of scholarship when it connieted with activities, academic honors have been found to mean something, after all President Walter S Gifford of the American Telephone and Telegraph com-pany gives the men who graduate in the first tenth of their class four times as many chances to secure a high-salaried position as those who graduate in the lowest third, regardless of activities.

thad, regatdless of activities. The statements of President Gufford have no idle backing. A number of large corporations have stand-ing offers open with various colleges to give positions to the leading scholars of each class. That students are awake to the implications of neademic supremacy is shown by a consistent preference shown for the Phi Beta Kappa key over all other honors in surveys of Eastern schools

Activities are a matter of the present; they are without question important forces on every campus, and the keen interest which they excite can easily force classes into the corner, where they serve as a rather dull backdiop to grater achievements. Lectures, read-ing assignments, and reports can scarcely create the some shimily that active competition incides.

But it's interesting to remember that the back-niop will continue fai longer than the foreground, which is vital now and not so lasting It's a good thing recall that when keys and shingles are packed into r trunk at graduation, the scholars are the ones who get the jobs.

# The proposal discussed at Interfraternity Council Wednesday night whereby each student would pay a fifty cent fee at registration for intranuural sports, is a feasible plan. The small expense early in the year would assure athletic officials of a definite sum to carry

out their program, and would eliminate the necessity of fiaternities paying an entrance fee before engaging in suy of the tournaments,

## OLD MANIA

We're kinda compassionate by nature or some We're hinda compassionite by nature or some-thing, and we're all the time feeling sorry for some-body. If it isn't the seniors who are trying to get jobs it's the birds that came back to build their nests on the campus and found their favorite tree eut down, and that's the way it goes. But this week we're really all bicken up about the tuff life a cer-tain party leads, and here's the dope Did you notice the story in last Friday

this tabloid concerning Nancy Lee? Well, Nancy is the practice house baby, and she's being raised by a flock of co-eds in a strictly scientific way. Which may be a lot of the form for the co-eds and all that, but it's pietty haid on Nancy Imagine being diagged out of bed every morning at six a. m. for no renson at all except that some expert on the case and protection of babies thinks it's a good idea. Six a m is no hour of the night for an adult to be up and around, let alone a one-veai-old baby. And imagine being stuck under a sun lamp every day-to get vitaming, it says in the article. Well neits! If we can't get it suys in the article. Well neits! If we ean't get our vitamins without lying around naked under a trick lamp, we'll do without There are a lot of nice people who don't have a vitamin to their name And fancy being fed on cod liver oil and finit jurce -we get a cramp just thinking about it You can't tell us about cod liver oil-we know!

All in all, the chances are that Naney will never have any fun in life, and will grow up to be a co-ed ething. Just the same, the next time we get a check from home we'le going to holman Nancy, take her down to the best restautant in town, and set her up to a real feed Say, a big order of sauetkraut and wennes, coffee, fudge sundae, and a big black

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Before all this Penn State in China ballyhoo subsides for another year, we want to suggest that the winners of the interfraternity ping-pong tournathe unders of the Interface may ping-point to inter-ment be sent to China to play the Lingman University team (If Lingman doesn't have a ping-point team, it's high time they did.) The Penn State in State College, Pa, team could leave right away, and if they made good connections they could be back in time made good connections, they could be back in time for June houseparty, on maybe even finals And think of the publicity! Really we're wasting our time at a school like this---we should be at Notic Dame. By the wave, can any of you guys who have been moanin' low about Mi Rockne's demise tell us who's president of Notic Dame? Hah! We thought not

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The Older Generation can't seem to make up its nd about what to think of the Younger Generation One minute it's civing the blues about how college students are going to hell for sure, and the next mutter it's caying that human nature hasn't changed, and college students are no worke than they even were, only a little franker about Things Which makes it uncomfortable for us, on account of we never know whether to feel devilishly wicked, or just 50-50 Now whether to lead definishly witched, of just e6-50 Personally, we're all for a little sin and vice once in a while, just to break the monotony. Furthermore, that sort of thing is part of a person's education, like Joe Ritenout's hygrene course, and no one has any right to condemn drinking and wild women, of even co-eds, until he has had some experience in that sort of thing It takes somebody like Dean Waits to refute a book before he reads it

And while we're talking about liquor and things, we want to make an observation, as follow

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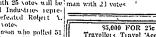
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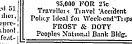
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EDNESDAY Richard-Arlen, Mary Brian, Louise Fazenda in, "GUN SMOKE"

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