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THOUGHT FOR THE FUTURE

Working on the principle of preparedness, library authorities have now set in motion organizations to draw up plans for the future library building of Penn State. They reason that the day of construction can be hastened by deciding the various specifications, the capacity, arrangement, and even the architectural design. It will then be a matter of money.

It is self evident that this College, conceded to be constantly assuming a greater place in the educational world, requires a new library to aid it in meeting the demands of the growth about it. In fact it is the general sentiment among students and faculty that the next building deserving to be erected, on the basis of need and general utility, is a library.

Inadequate for the books which it now contains, too small for the comfort of the many students who in ever growing numbers seek its advantages, the library presents a comparatively doleful spectacle to visitors who have wandered through the libraries of institutions which we are accustomed to speak of in the same breath with Penn State.

Future appropriations of money must favor the construction of a new building. Not only does the growth of the library depend on such a new edifice, important though that outer shell may be. The addition of more and ever more books of all kinds, excluding trash of course, must be the goal of the library. The future of research among the faculty depends on this feature. And research facilities are important when it is remembered that many able men will remain at institutions only where they can carry on research.

Although each division of the College has designs for its own betterment as far as buildings and appropriations are concerned, a truce might well be declared until, by united effort, a new and better-equipped library can bring that important division up to date with the rest of the College.

With thirty-four fraternities already operating on the six o'clock dinner plan, the success of the uninterrupted two hour recreation period is assured. The remainder of the group will complete operations and serve at the later hour by next week, according to statements of officers and the sentiment of the members. Now the intramural officials must offer to the students sufficient incentive for athletic participation so that the attainment of the goal may provide more than an uninterrupted two hour bridge session.

UNFORTUNATE DELAY

The winning of the intra-mural cross-country championship by a non-fraternity group which drew its strength from the ranks of the unaffiliated men, and that legally, brings once more a protest from the fraternity men. Last year, because of inadequate regulation, similarly recruited groups of non-fraternity men walked away with basketball, track, and other contests.

There is not a single fraternity man who begrudges victory to a non-fraternity group when it is won in fair competition. This is not a matter of jealousy between the groups. Proud, indeed, should Penn State be for the almost impenetrable barrier that exists between the fraternity and non-fraternity men in their relations between each other. There is no reason why fraternities should stage their own contests and the non-fraternity men hold their own.

The blame rests on the Intramural Board of Athletics for tardy action on a problem which everyone knew was certain to become harmful to the Intramural program unless it was eliminated at the beginning of the year. Before the discontent of fraternities goes any further some scheme should be set up whereby natural divisions among non-fraternity men approximate the fraternity unit.

Certainly it is fair for Watts hall to select a team, and likewise Trear hall. Director Bezdek's suggestion of returning to the town divisions of former years seems to be the only one which can be effectively applied. Some arbitrary list of residence, perhaps the Student Directory, should be adhered to so that there may be no recognized changes of address throughout the year.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

Seems as though our steamed contemptuary, the Meanie, missed up on a couple of events of the late houseparty, which you may recall as having been in our midst on or about the fourth and fifth of the current month. Before we go on, however, with all too profuse apologies to Richard Harding Davis, or whichever of the ex-presidents it was, we submit that:

For thoughts that were squirrely and words that were vain,

Last week-end was most H. P. Q. liar.

Among the neglected episodes we may note the following:

Somebody's ho-hum at the BSR house was overheard with this, "Well, are ya disillusioned or aren't ya?"

The Campuseer (himself) was the recipient of a number of glances which were as black as possible, considering that they were filtered through rose-tinted spectacles, when he drove up before one of the Campus fraternities with somebody else's date at a not-too-early hour Saturday morning.

Reported by Operator X24 as having been heard through ¼ inch of oak, "Lissen kid, I got late dates for two, three, and five o'clock. Do you happen to have any four o'clocks open?" Also "What time is it Subvance time?"

An H. P. Q. niary (sorry) who arrived two weeks early is still in town.

Somewhere near the back end (yes, we know that's all there is) of the houseparty issue of the Phiep Quarterly, there was a smallish paragraph which was about old enough to have to pay street car fare. The editors, not wishing to break away from the traditional coeditorial policy, let the thing go through. A bit of columnar research has revealed the guilty source. The antique was brought in by one of the foolish gents aspiring to full mugship. When questioned as to why he submitted something as gaudy as that, he replied with trembling lip, "Gee, I didn't think they'd print the thing. I only brought it in as a joke."

If the writing of this column requires a wit, what is Dean Warnock? ... The Thetas' motto is "give the path a chance" ... Koran, Sigma Tau Phi's glimmering hope, slept through two successive Rhetoric quizzes in one class Wednesday ... Sigma Nu's Harry Hill is joining the ranks of the hirsutes since Mr. Hoover's telegram to Mr. Roosevelt Tuesday night ... as also are the members of a certain drawing class, for a different reason ... Have you heard Miss Haidt, co-ed phys-ed, on economics? ... "We Democrats staid that taffy just yeas ago" ... and so on and on ... we'll go on anon ... The local Times went drastically metropolitan and sent out bulletins by airplane early Wednesday morning ... unwonted reflection: how many hundred yards further is it to Boalsburg than to the flying field? ... and in order to conserve finances, they made the arrangements by 'phone ... yes, thank you, the 'phone in the Collegian (doff chapeaux, if you please) downtown office ... Somebody stole our leaky old fountain pen during the recent unpleasantness ... and at last we understand that aged expression, "As thick as thieves" ... Ken Maers, in a supposed telephone conversation with the Dean of Men Wednesday night, admitted that he should be studying harder ... said he would give up all his other activities ... because he had "come to College to study" ... unique, almost ... and said he was pretty sorry ... and it all turned out to be a COLLEGIAN reporter (this time pound your chest and whistle) ... And, as we used to say back in the days before the Children of Israel grew up, "Here's mote in yer eye."

AROUND THE CORNER

OUR 'LEARNING' MACHINE

Attendance at American colleges has increased at a rate three times greater than population. As a result, our universities have grown to enormous size, and attracted students in numbers never anticipated.

Because of this phenomenal rise in attendance, our colleges have become mere educational machines; the individual enters, goes through the process, and reappears with a paper parchment known as a diploma. The process is similar to "mass production" in industry. There is a total loss of personal contact between student and professor, just as between employer and employee. The student's duty is routine and mechanical, and the professor merely sees that the student does the assigned task. All students are put through the same processes, and given regular doses of physical education, mathematics, and foreign languages in much the same manner as a doctor administers castor oil. And then of course in an institution with a large number of students, we must keep books, so we give grades if the student conforms. It seems our educational institutions have been swept away by the times, and a great organization with a large output has become the important factor.

Mass education will not work; forcing every student through the same process is producing intellectual bunnies. Make Northwestern an institution of learning; not a business organization.

—Daily Northwestern.

Economic Campaign Issues Emphasized More Than Since 1896, Alderfer Says

Economic issues were emphasized more in the 1932 campaign than in any presidential year since 1896, in the opinion of Dr. Harold F. Alderfer, associate professor of political science.

"While there was more talk about economic problems this year, there were fewer definite proposals," Dr. Alderfer added. "Although tariff, inflation, economy, and other modern economic problems were the popular theme of all important major party campaign speeches there was no evident distinction between the parties comparable to that of the free silver question in 1896."

The present depression was given as the reason for the emphasis on economic issues by Dr. Alderfer. Lack of clear cut issues was due to the complexity of the problems that are essentially of a non-partisan nature, he said.

Dr. Alderfer pointed out that prohibition played a minor part in the election, since the issue had been fought out in the summer conventions and both parties had at least offered lip service to anti-prohibition issues. The characteristic emotional reaction of the people was the predominance of their acceptance of the slogan "A New Deal for All" over "Don't Change Horses in the Middle of the Stream."

"Increased use of the radio as a means of propaganda and decreased use of literature, newspaper adver-

tisements, rallies, buttons, and the like, was another feature of the 1932 campaign," Dr. Alderfer added. "Also, in this campaign for the first time the nation-wide straw votes were used as political barometers by even the most expert observers."

"In spite of the intense feeling that the campaign developed between the two major parties, there was an evident lack of undue personalities indulged in by the principal speakers of both parties," Dr. Alderfer concluded. "There was less importance attached to whispering campaigns than in the majority of our national elections."

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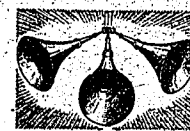


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