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SKULLDUGGERY

The taking of books from the College library has reached such a stage that it may well be classed as a tradition. An increasing number of students seems to think very little of taking books from the shelves without going through the customary procedure of signing.

Apparently the criticisms launched at this rising generation are true. It is argued that no longer does sinning against a God or a moral ideal have its place as a possible force. Surface indications may lead one to such a belief. Then again sociologists and others speak of a "society" that has replaced the older sanctions of religion—a society where each member works for the good of the whole. But this ideal is not observed.

Nothing much can be accomplished by railing about selfishness and dishonesty among students. It is difficult, if not almost impossible, to make an appeal to those who steal from the library and from their fellow students. Vigilance on the part of library workers and all students interested in having books when they need them should result in the detection of a few offenders. The situation demands a few horrible examples.

THE FOG LIFTS

The proposed merger of men's and women's governments is faced everywhere by raised eye-brows, and snorts of disapproval until the plan has been explained and its possibilities indicated, and then nods of approval show understanding and recognition of the system. The advisability of this change seems to be severely questioned particularly by members of the minority group concerned, and the problem thus comes to be first that of convincing the women students that they will not have to make any great sacrifice, and then perhaps mutual advantages can be pointed out to the student body as a whole.

Just as the overwhelming majority of men here has always been the primary cause of the women's aloofness and distrust of any proposal made by the men, so the present change is pronounced unfeasible on the basis that it would take from the women what power they have enjoyed and that the present government would be completely engulfed in such a comprehensive system. However, the plan provides for a so-called women's honor court, which in function would correspond to the present women's student government, and committees responsible to this court could assume the duties now assigned to the house of representatives and the senate. Thus, the essential features would remain the same, and functions definitely pertaining to women students would be reserved for these women's governing bodies.

The fact that the ratio of men to women is approximately five to one should not be the cause of serious objection on the part of the women, since representation in the student council is to be proportioned in some way satisfactorily to both men and women. Also the women can consider themselves a strong minority faction in such an arrangement.

The only loss to which they can possibly point is that of their class organizations. On the basis of the poor attendance at meetings and the general lack of class interest, it is safe to say that this could not be considered a very serious deprivation. The only positions of importance are those of junior president, whose function of organizing the freshman women's class would no longer be necessary under the new plan; and the vice-president of the sophomore class, whose duties as chairman of the customs committee could be assumed by an appointed member of the honor court. Another argument in the favor of combined classes is that creation of class feeling for alumni purposes could be better organized in such a group.

Under the new plan with recognized cliques under faculty supervision where both men and women would work in normal relations to each other, actual political training would be received which could be of real value to any interested in our local, State and national politics.

—E. M. B.

OLD MANIA

The art of colyming, we heard someone say once, is to give the reader what he wants. Figured we'd been off on sort of a side-track and would reform. So we began casting around for things people liked to see go for a ride and hit on the campus cops but we haven't done so bad by them. Not so-so had. Then there was good old grounds and buildings, the educational school, and other hearty laughs.

One of the older profs was coming up the sidewalk on the approach to Old Main where the recently transplanted tree now stands. He had heard how this giant of the forest had been brought from New Jersey to replace another tree. He watched the careful laying of planks whereon it was dragged all over front campus to the final spot. Saguely he had heard means about imminent salary cuts and such goings on. But he knew that the money had to be spent that way and no other way because the appropriation said so. Well, when he passed this old tree, everything flashed before him, everything. We're not so sure but did he say, "Banah!"?

The moral:

- Faunting available funds
To transplant trees from Jersey
Is taunting to folks moribund—
A diplomatic heresy.

For some time now we have been watching amusedly an old gent carefully chisel out the cement between different layings in the concrete floor of Old Main. We knew there was something fruitful in it for us. But not until one of the fellows whispered over our shoulder did we finally catch what we had been so confidently awaiting. Like the Frath staff this gent was making big new cracks out of little old ones.

- Could Sen. Huey Long's violence
Be cured by a good course in Political Silence?

There is really a swell anecdote going the rounds about a certain picture in the Triangle fraternity which a certain Dean Sackett gave in token of his Pickwickian sentiment for the boys. But you've heard how they take it down and put it up again just to keep on the ins and ins.

To such lengths do some of the co-ed affiliates go in justifying their use of fraternity in reference to their lodges that the Chi O's have now advanced the argument that Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee were charter members, thus making them positively a full-fledged fraternity. But

- Andy Jackson and Robert Lee
Can never be Chi O's to me.

Spindrift

Memories with Ted Serrill back . . . Jake Winstead . . . Laudenslager . . . and so on . . . We doff our hat to the rote gullibles who went to the boxing formal in their basic uniforms. If asked some would go in their underwear as shock troops . . . Dot Johnston at the inaugural ball . . . Vincent Lopez did not play for it . . . Everybody should know by now that Franklyn Peck went as Phil Hines' Soph Hop date and was subsequently late-dated by several of the rush-em-off-their-feet-gentry . . . we know a feller who actually crashed that dance . . . John E. Ryan who comes back from New York with tales of more crashing—for him the Titanic Rockefeller Music Hall . . .

—THE MANIAC

'Pumping Militarism Into College Men Through R.O.T.C. Futile,' Curry Says

"The R. O. T. C.'s attempt to pump college men full of old militaristic scares is futile, after they have seen through history the uselessness of war in settling international disputes."

The speaker was Dr. A. Bruce Curry, professor of systematic theology at the Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in a group interview Sunday night. He had previously addressed the chafed audience on "College People the World Still Wants."

History shows clearly that nations can no longer "set themselves off, as the old barons once did, and declare themselves independent of the world outside," Dr. Curry pointed out. The world has become too complex; trade relations are far too important; provincialism must be a thing of the past,

he added. "I firmly believe in the time honored quotation from Plato that 'Any citizen who accepts citizenship in a state, obligates himself to defend her in a crisis.' To me the question is purely how best to defend the country in which I am a citizen," he continued.

"No true patriot can accept the doctrine of the 'passive pacifist' who is willing to accept all a nation has to offer during peace time, and then refuse to try to prevent crises that will injure his mother-country," Dr. Curry admitted. "But it is through work in peace time to avoid war, rather than by last minute attempts to keep out of one, that the world will avoid pointless catastrophes such as the World War," he added.

College Resembled 'Cesspool of Sin,' Magazine States

"In the year 1909 the Pennsylvania State College was a cesspool of sin. Drinking was the accepted thing; swearing was commonplace; tipsy students accosted decent women on the streets."

So runs a description of Penn State as it was when Dr. Frank N. D. Buchman came to this College as secretary of the former Young Men's Christian association. The description is included in an article entitled "Salvation for the Sinner" which was published in a recent issue of the American Mercury.

The article relates how the Oxford Movement or First Century Christian beliefs which are rapidly gaining international popularity originated here. According to the article, the movement was conceived by Dr. Buchman while he was converting Penn State students.

In describing the secretary's arrival at the College, the article states "As he came in sight of the school buildings, a pair of satirical signs greeted him. The students had heard of his coming and made a small welcome for him. One sign read 'Convert Us If You Can'; the other, 'Welcome to the Evangelist.'"

However, this made things all the more interesting as far as Dr. Buchman was concerned, the Mercury states. Before long, he had won to his fold not only the majority of the campus leaders, but also the College

Campus Bulletin

Sophomore women will meet in Room 405 Old Main at 6:30 o'clock today.

All students intending to enter law school next fall should leave their names at the Student Union desk in Old Main before Saturday noon.

All money from sale of Loan Fund Movie tickets should be turned in to Jack Munch at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house as soon as possible.

Sophomore candidates for the business staff of the La Via should report for the first meeting in Room 315, Old Main, at 7 o'clock tonight.

A meeting of all freshman and sophomore women COLLEGIAN reporters will be held in Room 315, Old Main, at 6:30 o'clock tonight.

Honor Society council will meet in Room 214, Main Engineering building, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

bootlegger of that time, the description reveals.

Dr. Buchman continued his work here as secretary of the "Y" until 1916, when he left to teach his beliefs in foreign countries. Since that time he has had a highly successful career especially in connection with the wealthier classes in England and in other European countries. For a short time he worked as a missionary in China with Dr. Sherwood Eddy, who spoke here recently.

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TUESDAY—Fredric March, Claudette Colbert, Charles Laughton in "SIGN OF THE CROSS"

WEDNESDAY—Jean Hersholt, Wynne Gibson in "THE CRIME OF THE CENTURY"

THURSDAY—Richard Dix, Edna May Oliver in "THE GREAT JASPER"

FRIDAY—Lee Tracy, Una Merkei in "CLEAR ALL WIRES"

SATURDAY—Jack Oakie, Vivienne Osborne in "SAILOUT BE GOOD"

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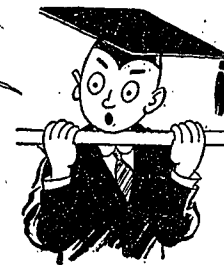
How To Avoid BONERS

A MAYOR IS A FEMALE HORSE

AND you haven't heard the half of it! The other day Bill Boner said the Sphinx was a tribe of people living in Egypt!

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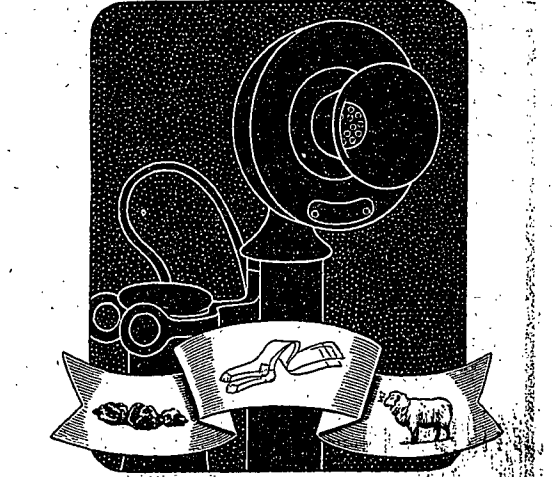
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