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ON THE BALLOT

The proposal to merge men's and women's student government will be placed on the ballot this Spring for approval of the student body as a result of favorable action by Student Council this week. What the reaction of the students in general will be is difficult to predict. Certainly before anything approximating a fair vote can be cast there must be considerable clearing up of misunderstanding, not to mention outright ignorance of the work that has been going on for amalgamation. If ratified by student vote the new program would not become effective until the following Spring.

Under the system that has met with the approval of the organization committee and leaders among both men and women, the merger provides for both a Student Council and a Student Board with functions extended to include both men and women and having proportionate representation of both groups. There would be a judiciary and legislative organization of men and women to take action separately on problems particular to the men and wemen students alone. Thus the duties of the now existing women's student governing association would approximate those carried over to the proposed

Student Board and Council would be extended to give representation to women as well as men in matters that actually pertain to the entire student body. At the present time men are the deciding factor of such matters and the women students are brushed out of the picture. The elimination of separate class officers for both groups is an outstanding feature of the proposed system which provides a single organization for which voting as an entire class is the factor in selecting officers.

The principal arguments advanced for the change are that there would be some elimination of strained feeling that is traditional between men and women and that a political situation more nearly duplicating actual community politics would be provided. That these ends could be brought nearer to attainment can not be denied nor can the argument be refuted that a much needed simplification and elimination of unnecessary and empty offices would take place.

To fraternity men who bemoan the high burden of t-vation that they face, it might not be amiss to point out that a meeting of borough taxpayers was held this . week at which three of their number were represented. If they ever wish to make their grievances felt, objectors could well attend such meetings than rely on impotent petty wailing at the wrong time and place to bring about the alleviation that they seem so desirous of securing.

ONCE AGAIN

Almost every year a sporadic attempt is made to inaugurate a system of unlimited cuts for seniors. Each graduating class, certain of superiority over the preceding one, and confident of greater self reliance, plans to free its successor from the shackles of compulsory attendance.

Three years ago the proposal was rejected by members of the College faculty. This year, a student committee was appointed to investigate the possibilities of the plan, while future seniors hope that the faculty will consider it advisable and turn their thumbs up.

Boosters of the projects speak of the greater maturity of seniors, need for independent thinking, students' responsibility for their own education, and higher scho-

Those who are opposed to the system also offer compelling arguments. A student who has advanced through grammar school, high school, and three years of college under strict supervision will not be able to evaluate things proportionately. He will be biased by his laziness and his momentary interests. Scholastic standards will become lower as a result of frequent cutting.

Both viewpoints, however, coincide in that their aim is to raise the level of scholarship. To bring this about, another plan seems more feasible as well as acceptable to both students and faculty. Unlimited cuts might be granted to all those who make and maintain n high average, the exact grade to be specified by the Dean of each school. Such an arrangement would make for advanced scholarship, the privilege of unlimited cuts being an added inducement to students to achieve the high average. At the same time, only those proving themselves capable of meritorious studying, would be permitted scholastic independence.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

AT LAGER: HEADS

And so the White Ribbon Boys Are going to keep us pure. State College is to be a tiny island Standing firm and dry In the midst of a vast Foam-covered amber sea It's undoubtedly one of the best ideas Yet advanced for getting students To leave town at every opportunity-That is, those who can afford it. The others will go anyway. Once you get your student beyond borough limits He can do all the damage he wants, Figures the thrifty local merchant Forgetting that your student will Include among his activities The buying of things that otherwise He would have bought here in town. But the sage Borough Fathers Are pretty sure that There Must Be No Beer. "Harrumph," they reason, "If the student is Kept away from beer, he will lose his Desire for it, and the town will be So much the better." To all of which We answer, "Nuts, gentlemen." Can't you see that, after the first Wild rushing of the growler, we will All become so used to seeing beer around That it will mean little more than a "Lemon Coke" means to most of us now? Besides, the average student is Most awfully tired of paternalism. The College officials and fraternities Have seen the trend and acted accordingly. Any move by local organizations in The manner of a fatherly restraining Hand on the shoulder may well Expect widespread condemnation. You won't be taught temperate drinking Through being told "You can't have any." And in conclusion, may we reiterate A former statement, that it's a pretty easy Job, convincing Congress that 3.2% beer It not intoxicating, but wait until we Start trying to convince ourselves

We humbly beg forgiveness for going serious on you like this, but we felt that the situation warranted it. Anyhow, we're getting pretty important. After being quoted some weeks ago by the Literary Digest. we were pleasantly surprised to hear Lowell Thomas talk about one of our stories in his radio speech Tuesday night.

As you may have noticed, the Altoona lads celebrated their basketball game by stringing large amts. of terlet paper around about the village. One rather solid roll plonked our inestimably estimable sports editor, SHB, and another was so artfully placed that all Espy the Elder had to do was reach out the

Registrar Billy Hoffman was hidden behind a large pile of his beloved match-boxes when a PhiKT freshman called Perrigo edged into the office, bent upon changing his schedule. "Haven't had time to look into it," came a gruff voice from behind the multicolored lucifer containers. Then, as the lad started to amble out, "Wait a minute, have you got a match?" * * * * * *

John Hen Frizzell is running around now in scholarly appearing tortoise-shell glasses. Reason: he was burning rubbish the other day, and somebody tossed a 45 calibre shell in the basket. The thing exploded, knocking the devil out of the chaplain's spectacles—which he had on at the time.

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pril 12.

Dr. Kamm is a graduate of the Iniversity of Illinois, and was a member of the faculty of the University of Michigan until 1920, when services of the Michigan until 1920, when services of t University of Illinois, and was a member of the faculty of the University of Michigan until 1920, when he became associated with the research laboratory. The illustrated lecture will be open to all students.

Who's Dancing

Tonight

Interfraternity Ball Casa Loma and Paul Specht Tomorrow Night

> Alpha Chi Rho Norm Houseman Alpha Gamma Rho (Closed) Paul Zimmerman Alpha Tau Omega (Invitation)

Campus Owls Pi Kappa Phi Blue and White Phi Epsilon Pi (Invitation) Joe Vannucci

Phi Gamma Delta Joe Nesbitt Phi Pi Phi

Blue and Gold Sigma Alpha Epsilon (Closed) Bill Bottorf

Sigma Phi Sigma (Open) Joc Malloy Alphn Chi Sigma Kappa Delta Rho Tau Kappa Epsilon and Theta Xi at Nittany Lion Inn (Closed) Casa Loma

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tor of a well-known research laboratory, will address the central Pennsylvania section of the American large measure upon the success or Chemical society on "Chemical and Biological Investigations in the Field Ductless Glands," Wednesday, crations. The presidents must realize

ed itself as ready to take immediate action in the case of "anyone acting in an ungentlemanly manner." Fur-thermore, Student Board will hold the "responsible officers of the offender's fraternity accountable for any such

actions."

It, therefore, becomes the duty of all house presidents to demand the complete cooperation of all men attending the Ball. For everyone's entitle the survey left was add that there tending the Ball. For everyones en-lightenment, let me add that other steps have already been taken to curb undesirable actions at the dance. Stu-dent Board will receive a list of names

of all offenders.

Very truly yours,

HERBERT E. LONGENECKER '33 President, Interfraternity Council

KELLER TO ADDRESS COUNCIL RELLER TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
Prof. J. Orvis Keller, head of engineering extension, has been requested to speak on "Employee Training
Methods" at the Western Pennsylvania
Safety Council conference at Pittsburgh, April 27. The meeting will be
sponsored by industrial plants of the
Pittsburgh region.

REFINING ENGINEER TO TALK Dr. H. M. Weir, chief chemical en-tineer of the Atlantic Refining Com-pany, will speak on "The Manufac-ure of Lubricants" in Room 315 Min-eral Industries at 4:10 o'clock today.

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ALUMNI CLASSES OF YEARS

ENDING IN 3, 8 PLAN REUNION Alumni who graduated in years ending in three or eight will hold a reunion here June 3, according to Edward K. Hibshman, alumni secretary. Under this classification, the class of '78 will be the oldest represented.

Prof. J. Orvis Keller, of the er gineering extension department, is chairman of the class of '13 which wil celebrate its twentieth anniversary with the reunion this year.



the BALL

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Major J. C. Gotwals '06 has been appointed to the District of Columbia commission which is planning the development of Washington, according to Dean Robert L. Sackett, of the School of Engineering.

FRIDAY---

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Kay Francis, George Brent in "THE KEYHOLE"

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