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TRIBUNAL IMPROVEMENTS

The revisions announced for Student Tribunal will do much to make that body an effective and sensible agency in the supervision of freshman and all-College customs. Too often in the past has the Tribunal been the seat of horseplay on the part of domineering upperclassmen. The present changes will add much to its

Under these improvements, the meetings of the Tribunal will be entirely secret and upperclassmen seeking favoritism will be barred. Freshmen will not be made to go through a third degree or be made ridiculous before the group. They will be given a chance to speak in their own defense. The whole procedure of trying violators will be on a higher plane than heretofore.

In defining the function of the Tribunal, the committee has placed the burden of enforcement of freshman customs squarely on the shoulders of the students themselves. This is exactly where it belongs. The small number of men composing the Tribunal cannot be expected to serve as a detective force for the rest of the student body. They should merely deal with those cases which are brought before them. If the students as a whole are not willing to see customs enforced by reporting violations to the Tribunal, then it is a farce to continue them. And it is fairly certain that if they are not enforced, the end of customs will come within a year.

USE OF THE TENNIS COURTS by various groups has always been a source of friction. Now the report comes that men students and instructors are using the two courts in the rear of the Women's building. These courts have always been reserved specifically for women, and some agency such as the campus police force should see that the regulation is observed. The fact that men are using the courts, however, points to an overflow from the Varsity hall courts. During the school year and the Summer Session those courts have always been overcrowded. Students who pay the regular athletic fee and participate actively in no other sport except tennis are often forced to sit on the sidelines because there are not enough courts. In an athletic program which has as its slogan "Athletics For All" it seems strange that all the funds should be devoted to inter-unit sports which in reality reach only a small percentage of the student body. More tennis courts would be welcome.

A MAJOR FALL DANCE

The practice begin last year of holding one of the major all-College dances before the Christmas recess should be continued again this year. Likewise, the reduction in dance assessments instituted at Senior Ball last February is a move which should not be discarded. Several reasons make both of these changes necessary again this year.

With the Thanksgiving recess shortened to one day, there is nearly a month of uninterrupted classes between the middle of November and the beginning of the Christmas recess. This period has always been barren of any sort of diversion, and an all-College dance would fit in nicely. And because there is no competing entertainment, the dance should be reasonably profitable. Although the Military Ball on December 9 last year incurred a slight deficit; the relatively high fee of four dollars was charged. Later dances made a profit with a three-dollar assessment and there is every reason to would be a financial success.

If by any chance it is decided not to hold Military Ball this fall, one of the class dances ought to be held in its place. On last year's social calendar, Sophomore Hop was held only two weeks after Senior Ball, and, as a result, a deficit of \$300 was incurred. At least a month should intervene between each major dance, and if it is not possible to arrange the dances during the winter, one of them should be moved up to November or December.

Other colleges hold major dances during the fall, and do it successfully. It means less time to complete arrangements, of course. The committee which in the past has not functioned until after the Christmas recess would have to begin work as soon as possible. But there is no doubt that the dance would be more likely to pay its own way than if it were held during the crowded winter season. This likelihood would be increased if the low assessment of last year is continued. Furthermore, with one less dance during the winter, the others would be more certain of financial success.

OLD MANIA

" People come, people go; nothing ever

One of the better known inmates of Grange Dorm was wandering around the fourth floor a few nights ago clad only in what the inmates usually wear when they wander. Imagine her embarrassment when a man suddenly appeared in front of her, jabbed a frenzied finger at her, and shouted at the top of his lungs the one word, "SPOOK!"

It was a difficult situation. She realized immediately that tact was required. She ran into her room.

Her visitor, however, failing to take the hint. followed her into the room shouting something incoherent about "everybody coming out or he'd dynamite the joint." It occurred to her suddenly that he might be intoxicated. Rising heroically to the occasion, she screamed. Then she yelled.

(By this time every person in the dorm was on the fourth floor and somebody had phoned for the police. The visitor seemed to realize that he wasn't getting anywhere with the young lady, so he ran out into the corridor again, stopping now and then to ask some young lady for a date; several accepted.

When the vanguard of the police arrived they came in the front door, only to find that the culprit was gone via a first floor rear window, and that four girls had received minor abrasions, contusions, and such, in the struggle to follow him through the aforesaid window. The girl whom he had first accosted described him as being tall, dark, and sort of Spanish looking.

The whole affair was rather embarrassing esnecially as a police guard was placed around the dorm and several of the girls were forced to stay out all night; worse, a couple of them all unaware of the excitement were caught climbing in one of the rear windows. It is stated by authorities that this is the first time a man has ever attained such altitude in the dorm, and that they have several clues upon which they are working, the most important one being the description of the man given by the feminine resi-

"Grange Dorm. People come, people go "

"I'd rather flunk the Wasserman test. Than read the works of Eddie Guest."

Old Song

Which reminds us of an interesting anecdote about Eddie. He had borrowed the racy "Life and Loves of Frank Harris" from a Detroit book-store and was on his way to return it one morning when he narrowly escaped being run down by a speeding taxi; his jump to the curb just saving him. When he walked into the book-store a few moments later he laid the copy of Harris down on the counter and wiped his

"Man," he said. "I can just see the headlines. 'EDDIE GUEST KILLED, CLUTCHING COPY OF FRANK HARRIS!"

Pearls

Sil Runkle's girl has a nice set of false uppers The Advanced Rotic lad who went to an apartment party, got tight and went home and woke up next morning stark and blushing in the original apartment Phi Delt Johnson drinking a pitcher. of beer in a continuous gulp Mad Malmed back in town temporarily also our old friend Betty Bopp Taylor . . . and the coy Chi O's . . . and a surprising number of pretty faces, some new, some familiar and the innocent, gullible, lucky Frosh.

-THE MANIAC

Beginning Thursday

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Every Thursday

LOOKING **OVER THE** NEWS .

Flaunting a definite disregard for astice the Nazi administration con-nues with its farcical trial of five communists charged with setting fire to the Reichstag in February. One man has already been assured of a Nazi escort from this world.

Evidence in the trial thus far points directly at the guilt of Nazi leaders rather than the Communist prisoners. Since the Communists were trongly entrenched in the Reichstag strongly entrenced in the Reichstag they had nothing to gain by resorting to incendiary tactics at the time. The Nazis, however, could further their demands for dictatorial power by pointing to a five in one Reichstag as an illustration of weakness in the administration of weakness in the administration of weakness in the administration of weakness. ninistration then in power.

If Hitler is truly desirous of fur-thering the cause of justice he should openly weigh the evidence and exon-erate those on trial. However, the proceedings so far seem to indicate that the trial was begun with only one purpose—to convict those on trial.

After a very wobbly start the Cu-ban President Grau San Martin seems at last to be directing his government on a more steady keel. For the pres-ent a number of the major rebellions have been abandoned although spor-adic outbreaks'continue.

Whether temporary or not, the par-Grau to entrench his governmental system more firmly among the people. Likewise the present head may now turn his attention to progressive action in the social and economic affairs f his country.

for the government to contend with, perhaps the excited condition now per-vading the Cuban people would start to wane, and thus allow the citizenry to employ sane thought in readjusting their state to normalcy.

Pursued by inflationists President Roosevelt has declined to commit himself to any definite action on the valuation of the dollar. While he was giving his ear to Senators Pittman, Thomas and others, the president also was quietly studying Professor Warren's plan for a commodity dollar.

Having met with success thus far Having met with success thus far as applied in Sweden's monetary system the idea is gaining favor in Roosevelt's mind. Characteristic of the president's penchant for giving promising new plans a fair trial, he may decide tto introduce the new monetary system if too much inflationist pressure is brought to bear upon him.

At present Roosevelt is considering proposal for releasing \$2,000,000,0 a proposal for releasing \$2,000,000,000,000 tied up as deposits in closed banks through the purchase of preferred stock by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The monetary inflation caused indirectly by such an action would probably satisfy the southern and western inflationists for the time before

-B. H. R.

20 Years Ago.

The School of agriculture had just received \$275,000 in State appropriations for maintenance, while other schools received \$530,000. Three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars were allotted for the erection of new buildings, while \$1,226,000 in State aid was appropriated for the entire College for two years.

One-hundred and one candidates reported for football practice under Coach Hollenbach, All-American selection at the turn of the century. Seven veterans of the previous cam-paign were again available to form the nucleus of the 1913 eleven with the Carnegie Tech game only a week

Published in the COLLEGIAN was lengthy discourse on the fact that hazing and other stunts of the rah-rah age were rapidly being controlled, and that they were outlawed—that is, of course, except poster night. On poster night just about anything up to a first-class hanging "went."

+ + + Just twenty years ago students went around the campus saying, "What's going to supplant the annual soph-frosh picture scrap?" There was so much interest in the event—what, when, and how—shat a full-column was used to get the rules of the push-ball contest-across to the students. A complete column of Section Is and Article IIIs!

DEMOLAY TO HOLD SMOKER

As the opening event of its fourth year of existence here the Penn State DeMolay club will hold its first social Sigma Tau Phi house next Wednesday night.

WILL APPEAR FOR TRY-OUTS With bandmaster Wilfred O. Thompson directing, freshmen candidates for positions on the first year R. O. T. C. band will appear for tryouts at room 401, Old Main, at 7 o'clock Wednesday night.

Letter Box

.The Penn State Collegian welcomes communications on any subject of campus interest. All letters must bear the name of the sender and should not be over two hundred words in length. Anonymous communications will be disregarded. However, if the writer does not wish his or her name to accompany the fact should be so indicated and initials or a nom de plum supplied. The editor reserves the right to reject all communications that are deemed unfit for publication.

To the Editor:

search for an ideal as pictured by a beautiful Greek temple on the Island of Corunna. The searcher comes too late to save the temple but those involved in the yearly occurrence. The custom is being followed with slight alterations—urging the abolition of women's fraternities altogether, as the next move toward a "new deal" for women at Penn State.

Viewing the matter from all possible angles, fraternities.

less in that they don't accomplish any thing; they merely exist. They are harmful because they discriminate against people who can't afford such a luxury or who don't qualify in other artificial respects such as appearance, social suavity, or lack of popularity; life from the Napoleonic era to because they tend to produce a stere-otyped kind of woman who, after college, usually joins bridge clubs, women's auxiliaries, Elks' sisterhoods, and gossiping tea groups; because they create a false sense of values in the minds of naive freshmen who begin to think that status gained from a membership in a particular club is

foolish too, and because of the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist the scenes in "The House of Alard."

In connection with the exhibit of the fifty books of the year at the College library, Prof. Harold E. Dickson of the department of architecture, will give department of architecture, will give the presents here from the communist view point in an able, academic manner and very well written his solution, and the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist that they wouldn't have to bother the presents here from the communist the presents h

A comparative Utopia would exist is fraternities were abolished. Too much imagination is not required nor too much mental exercise is needed to picture the resulting atmosphere. The idea can be made into an actuality by just a little effort on the part of the few intelligent ones. M. P. K.

CERAMIC PLANT OPERATORS TO MEET HERE NEXT MONTH

Problems concerning the heat treat-nent of ceramics will be discussed at symposium for technical men and ontrol operators of eastern ceramic ants, to be held on October 20 and 21 n the Mineral Industries building. Proceedings of the conference will

be mailed to all research men unable to attend. Professor David F. McPar-land, head of the department of met-allurgy of the School of Mineral In-dustries, will be among the speakers.

CLASS CENTERS FORMED BY ENGINEERING EXTENSION UNIT

Class centers will be established in ix additional cities this year by the engineering extension department of the college, according to M. T. Bun-nell, supervisor of the work. This in-

neil, supervisor of the work. This in-creases the number of centers operated by the college to fifteen.

Taught by individuals selected from the local centers, the class centers are set up at the request of persons or organizations interested in further-ing adult of interested in furtherng adult education. Additional centrs may be formed in other cities later

DAVEY TO DELIVER ADDRESS

"Mechanism of Crystal Research" "Mechanism of Clystal Account will the subject of a paper to be presented by Dr. Wheeler P. Davey, of the department of chemistry, at the annual convention of the American Society for Steel Treating to be held in Detroit in October.

Speaking Of Books

The House of Connelly, and Other Plays, by Paul Green.

The play which furnishes the title ost causes versus the democracy and lets and bulletins. industrialism of today. "Potters Field" shows the negro down and out. "Tread the Green Grass" traces the downfall of a country girl bewildered "Tread the Green Grass" traces the downfall of a country girl bewildered by modern morality, music and romance.

Tread, Labor Relations Under the Remance.

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The Mind of China, by Edwin D. Harvey.

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The powerful influences of magic, religion and superstition motivate the lives and actions of Chinese citizens constantly. Every kernel of rice lives and actions of Chinese citizens constantly. "Every kernel of rice sown, every silk cocoon reared, every ton of coal mined, or tree hewn, ever birth or death in China has religion

Guide to Chicago, by John Drury. A Chicago newspaperman received the official commission to write the guide to Chicago for the "Century of Progress Exposition." One notes with interest the historic landmarks, the

Vanessa, by Hugh Walpole.

The Herries family and the Forsyte

GOVERNMENT BULLETINS: RECEIVED BY LIBRARY

Books, Pamphlets on NRA Subjects Included in New Collection

Information and material relating to the administration of the National Recovery Act throughout the United this interesting collection presents contrast of the old and the new outh—the aristocracy of culture and College library in the form of pamph-

Included in the list is the National covery Act; Valenstein, Business Under the Recovery Act, and Wilcox, A' The Snows of Helicon, by H. M. New Deal for Business and Industry,

A History of Spanish Civilization, by

Rafael Altamira.
The spirit of Spain looks out through centuries of her economic and social development from pre-Roman times through the nineteenth century.

Protection of Women and Children in

Soviet Russia, by Alice W. Field. The Soviets have insured the future of their race through special privwomen live on a plane of social equal-

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