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SCHOLARSHIP RACKETEERING

Shady tactics in the distribution of State Senatorial scholarships were exposed for the second time in Philadelphia two weeks ago when twenty State Senators were implicated in the conviction of a scholarship "peddler."

It is a well-known fact to most students here that the awarding of these scholarships has largely been on a political basis. The student whose father knew the State Senator was ordinarily in a better position to get a scholarship than the otherwise worthy student who had no political "pull."

Quite obviously, there is no justification for such a situation. When the first expose was made last year, the COLLEGIAN recommended at that time that the distribution of the scholarships be taken out of the hands of the Senators and put under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Public Instruction where it rightly belongs.

Certainly there is no logical or justifiable connection between a scholarship and political influence. Similar awards at all colleges and universities are made on the basis of ability or need, after careful examination of each applicant. The same procedure is already followed in the awarding of State Scholarships by the Department of Public Instruction.

ALTHOUGH THERE MAY BE some merit in the ruling of the executive sports councils which prevents a man of the same fraternity affiliation as the manager from competing for the managership of that sport, it certainly will not stop politics.

IT IS WELCOME NEWS that the Artists' Course will be resumed here next year. The initial appropriation will give financial support to the project, but it will need the backing of the student body and faculty if it is to be successful.

WHEN IT WAS ANNOUNCED that needy students would be given work on CWA projects here, part-time jobs for 500 students were promised. Over six hundred applied for the jobs, yet only eighty-seven have been employed thus far.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

Nineteen thirty-three was a memorable year and will long be remembered, according to the New Yorker, as the year a dwarf sat in J. P. Morgan's lap. The twelve months just past are also significant to Penn State and Dr. Runkle.

During the year the Blue Band was invited to Switzerland, Doc Boucke cultivated a yen for Mae West, a Swastika was painted on the Beta Sigma Rho sidewalk, Doc Hasek recognized Russia, and Dickson's dog, Flywheel, had pups.

There were other significant events of the year which indicate extremely unsettled conditions. Marge Kusche painted her toe-nails red, John A. Wood had his picture in the COLLEGIAN more than any other man in school, and Daddy Rhoton won a canoe race.

Miss Uppercue defeated the Penn State football team 100-to-0 in New York, an epidemic of skunks overflowed the campus, Mrs. Mack dressed little rats in pink pants, Miss Hurlbrink paddled Gib Coskery, and 5 of 6 deans favored the Honors' Course, Artists' System, Strip Poker, et. al.

Although the State department of education has recently been dodging a barrage of complaints about the silly questions asked in the liquor tests, we still insist that the answers were a lot funnier than the questions. There was one applicant for a truck driver's job who should have merited a position on just his pure, unadulterated efficiency.

SLUBBERDEGULLION

Best orgy of the week: the Beta Sigma Rho Mance... it took six Isadors to get rid of MacFarlane... Hines did a snake-dance... and one male reveler evorated about the floor sms pants... Doc Sperry got stuck for several hours in that gold-plated, new fangled, self-operating elevator at the Glennland the other day... Blessed event congratulations go to Dink Stover... and also to Peter Kershner... the CWA men are digging some lovely trenches for the R. O. T. C. department... the loud "Excuse me," heard after the Metro-Goldwyn lion had done his stuff in the Cathama the other day, came from Curt Henning... A very observing Pennsylvania Railroad porter refused to serve liquor to Jim Norris recently and backed his decision with the comment, "You're too young"... Footballer Jim Boring, known to fans as the "Francing Pumpkin," acquired an Oriental Complex over the holidays.

STATIONERY DIE STAMPED 24 SHEETS 24 ENVELOPES and 60 SHEETS 50 ENVELOPES 75c and \$1.00 FOUNTAIN PENS and INKS THE ATHLETIC STORE Opposite Main Gate

'Collegian' Letter Box

To the Editor:

Now that the Workers' Commission seems to be progressing nicely I hope the College will put a few walkways, roads and parking areas where they are really needed.

I have heard several tourists ask down at Co-op Corner how they could get on the campus. We like to brag about our lovely buildings, but we surely don't try to show them off. You have to drive most to Centre Furnace or out to Fine Hall to get up to Old Main, supposed to be the center of administrative offices.

Parking facilities are very accommodating to employees of Old Main also. There are a few employees who have to drive to work but even these few must park over back of the Chemistry buildings or back of Liberal Arts. It must be very discouraging to park a shining clean car in either of the grounds because when you return in an hour or two the car is covered with dust as though it had been parked in a freshly ploughed field and your shoes, after walking to and from the car, look like they had never been shined.

If people are compelled to use these out-of-the-way parking areas, why not put in just a few more walks so they can be reached conveniently, and why not give a few more unemployed jobs by placing protection over their cars. Last year a person had gas taken from his car while parked on one of the parking grounds, and another has had two fenders bumped while parking in the same area.

Old Main is not the only building affected by this parking business. Mineral Engineering building, Mineral Industries and Home Economics people are troubled the same. Surely some space back of each building could be used for a parking space.

Sincerely, A. B. C.

To the Editor:

The Red Cross Clothes Distribution Committee extends thanks to the student body for the hearty support given the drive for old clothes. We hope you will continue to remember us when you have any clothing you are no longer using. Much warmth and comfort has been given from the clothing collected. MRS. ROBERT S. KIRBY, Chairman.

To the Editor:

I would like to answer the letter concerning R. O. T. C. which our irritated freshman wrote in this column last issue.

It seems that after three months of the course, he is questioning the value of the training which is given him. I think that A. E. T. '37 will undoubtedly become more sympathetic with the course after he has had twelve months of it, as we sophomores have had.

This morning I sat through a two-hour R. O. T. C. lecture on stable management, and I will have several more lectures on the same subject during the next month. Now that is

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what I would call a really beneficial and enlightening lecture, and I believe it will be of great service to me in later life.

I've learned a lot of helpful things about it already. I know that you should put rocks in horses' hay so that they won't eat too fast; I know how to detect the first stages of wind-sucking in horses; and I know the most convenient way of killing animals that are too old or sick to be of any practical use.

What could be of more practical value? I admit that horses have become obsolete in the army, and only a few mules are used; but still we should be prepared for anything.

During our lecture on scouting and patrolling, which we had last month, we had some things which I'm sure our cynical freshman will enjoy. For instance we learned a thirty-two-line poem which began with, "When you are called to fill the role of leader of a small patrol..." and then enumerated in poetical rhythm in the other thirty lines, just how you should go about it. I still like to recite it to myself in my idle moments when I need to cheer myself up.

There is another important consideration which should be pointed out to these cynical freshmen that are doing all of this uncalculated complaining. That is that the R. O. T. C. here serves a far more valuable purpose to the country than merely giving its young men (that's us) a "training for leadership in civilian, industrial, and professional careers."

That service is that it provides an authorized resting place for our generals and higher officers until they can get into another war. After all, they can't be winning wars all of the time! Here, they can rest and recuperate for another war, and at the same time impart to us some of their valuable information.

So please Mr. A. E. T. '37, (and the rest of your classmates) don't try to kill the goose that is laying the Golden Eggs.

---"Loyal Soldier"

LIBRARY TO EXHIBIT STAGES TAKEN IN PUBLISHING BOOK

Stages in the publication of the current best seller, "Anthony Adverse," will be shown in the exhibit loaned to the College library by Farrar and Rinehart, publishers. The exhibit will be on display in Room K of the Library during this month. The exhibit will include a page of type, galley, page and foundry proofs, printed section, a stamped cover or binding, two color illustrations and a completed volume. Other displays of rare and interesting volumes from private collections of members of the faculty will be held during the spring months.

DAUGHTER BORN TO STOVERS

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harney W. Stover on December 27 in the Bellefonte hospital. Mr. Stover is tennis coach and assistant professor of economics in extension, while his wife is an instructor in public art, at present on leave of absence.



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Nearly 50 Oil Paintings Donated To College Collection By Artists

Nearly fifty oil paintings valued at approximately \$6,000 are now a part of the permanent College collection, according to Prof. James B. Helms, of the department of architecture. All of the paintings are gifts to the College and most of the donors were the artists themselves.

The paintings are being shown in exhibition hall on the third floor of Main Engineering until a permanent exhibition place for them can be arranged. Because of lack of space, some of the paintings have been stored and others hung in offices in other parts of the building.

The rarest painting in the collection is "The Rocky Coast" by John Sloan. Mr. Sloan was born in Lock Haven and his paintings are in such demand that they are seldom found outside of private collections. The most valuable painting in the possession of the College is one by G. W. Sotter called "Pennsylvania (Country)," valued at \$1,000.

Other noted paintings are "Winter Evening" by Charles Rosen and "Spanish Coast" by an anonymous painter valued at \$500 each. "Portrait Study" by William J. Slakens is valued at \$200.

Of special interest to Penn State students is a woodland scene by Emil Walters which is valued at over \$250. Mr. Walters has been an instructor in art at summer school here each summer that he has spent in the United States for the past ten years.

Although as yet under forty, Mr. Walters has secured an enviable place in American art, and many signal honors have come to him from time to time. He was the first recipient of the Louis C. Tiffany Scholarship, donated by the Tiffany Foundation at Oyster Bay, Long Island, to American artists of outstanding merit.

While at the Tiffany Foundation he painted the first canvas that gained him national recognition in art.

"Roosevelt's Haunts, Early Autumn," now the property of the National Gallery, Washington, D. C. This painting was later chosen as one of the thirty paintings by American artists to be exhibited at all the leading art centers in the country.

Mr. Walters has exhibited extensively both in American and foreign countries and is a yearly participant in the Carnegie International Exhibition in Pittsburgh and the exhibition of the Academy of Design in New York.

RUGH WILL SPEAK IN CHAPEL SUNDAY

National Y. M. C. A. Field Secretary To Use "American Youth and Religion" as Topic

Rev. Arthur Rugh, national field secretary of the Y. M. C. A., will speak on "American Youth and Religion" at the regular chapel services in Schwab auditorium at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning.

For the last four years Mr. Rugh has been working with the youth men in colleges and in the cities of North America to develop a modern program of well-balanced and effective religious work. For twenty-three years he was national student secretary of the Chinese Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Rugh is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State Normal School and of Wittenberg College and received his M. A. degree from Oberlin College. For one year he was Y. M. C. A. Secretary in Springfield, Ohio, after which he became State Student Secretary of Ohio. He then spent a year with the Student Volunteer Movement. In 1903 he went to China and remained until 1926.

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