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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Believing that daylight-saving time would be advantageous to the student body, the COLLEGIAN is interviewing administrative and borough authorities to determine whether or not such a move can be made for the balance of the semester.

Two years ago, a similar effort was made on behalf of daylight-saving time, but the venture died an inglorious death at the hands of the Board of Trustees who believed "that such a change would be impractical . . . the students would have only a limited time to enjoy the time change."

After two years have elapsed, these arguments still seem weak. Evenings, the only time for recreation here, are admittedly inadequate at the present. Sunlight in the morning, on the other hand, is totally wasted on any normal, self-respecting student.

It seems a simple move for this isolated community to push ahead one hour the hands of the community clocks. No national or international significance need accompany the action; no history will be written by the movement, but student convenience will be greatly enhanced.

Another hour of daylight would be a boon to athletic teams often handicapped by late afternoon classes. Intramural athletics should benefit by another hour when activity is possible, while those who derive greatest enjoyment from plain loafing will be able to do so in a much pleasanter environment.

Daylight-saving should prove of value to the student. Probably the matter will again die a calm; administrative death. But mighty good reasons for the death should be advanced if respect and cooperation from the students are desirable.

R.O.T.C. COMPROMISES

Students looking for loopholes through which to escape two tiresome years of R.O.T.C. should be interested in the point of view held by President R. G. Bressler, of Rhode Island State College at a R.O.T.C. Conference of Patriotic Societies in Washington a few days ago.

Terming his plan "silent treatment," President Bressler suggested that the administrative excuse quietly a conscientious objector or two rather than to expel them, thus bringing down a lot of publicity which would call attention to the fact that there was opposition to military training.

It is surely an admission of weakness, on the part of at least one institution, when the administrator realizes that the publicity resulting from the expulsion of a student for refusing to take the course outweighs the values and benefits to be derived from four semesters of gun-toting and note-taking on such highly interesting subjects as stable management and the obligations of citizenship from a physicist's point of view.

THE STUDENT BODY will be given opportunity to register their approval or disapproval of the new revised constitution of student government at the polls this week. To the average undergraduate, this constitution signifies little.

However, this represents everyone's chance to express himself on the present system of student government. A favorable vote will give the incoming class officers the confidence necessary to purge further campus politics. Antipathy to the problems will indicate that no matter what the future conduct of campus politicians, the average undergraduates will venture no criticism.

IT IS INTERESTING to note that college students may spend a pleasant summer vacation in a C.C.C. camp, providing of course, that they are able and willing to pay forty cents a day to cover the cost of their board. It seems rather lamentable that the government, in all its endeavors to care for the youth of the country, cannot offer to college students the same facilities gratis that they so gladly offer to any other young person.

OLD MANIA

Steve Hamas, a rather well known local boxer, made a short talk the other night at the Interfraternity banquet. It was a nice banquet, and after the hunger of the Greek attendants was satisfied, Prexy (When met on Campus, all undergraduates will salute) Hetzel made a pretty swell talk. Then he sat down, and Steve got up. He's quite a speaker himself. The house was quiet.

"Gentlemen," the lead-your-left expert enunciated, "following the Prexy on the rostrum like this makes me feel something like a street cleaner after a big parade."

Rumor has it that the Greek populace didn't take the introduction to mean that the prexy had covered his subject excellently.

MINOR GENIUS

There'll be at least a couple of bright freshmen here next year if some of the journalistic crew attending Mr. Banner's convention yesterday come up. We're hoping one fellow in particular gets his matriculation card and everything and starts college.

Bill Stegmeier, editor of note, was running a plenary session for some of the high-school brain trusts yesterday and got tired of talking. So he asked if any of the audience would care to divulge a few trade secrets in a two- or three minute exposition. A hand shot into the air. Deftly catching it, Steg gave it back to its owner, & told him to take the floor & give his little talk.

After he'd talked twenty some minutes, and was just really getting steamed up on a new phase, a fellow conventioner stepped forward, handed him a note. The twenty-minute orator blushed, looked at the floor. Wondering just what Steg grabbed the piece of paper and looked at it. In the middle of it was written one word—

STOP

The fellow did. All we hope is that the guy who wrote that note comes here. We're willing to bet he'd make fencing manager or something important like that.

REAL HEROISM

State College once had a hero. If you don't believe us you can look in Graham's window and see for yourself. The 'friendly little store' has quite a display on, old coins, postcards, and everything. And right to the side of the main exhibit is a little card that points indirectly to the hero. It rests in front of a battered tin plate and a picture postcard. It says, "This identification tag and card were taken from a dead german body." That's what we like, real heroism.

Sugar Manukas, scabbard and blade man about town, thinks it's a pretty fine exhibit, what, with a real war relic and everything.

Purple Quill had a notable gathering for its meeting the other night. Dean Warnock talked. The trouble, however, was that he talked too early. He got there on time, and during his exposition, only five members were present. They were appreciative, it is true, but there were still only five. When the ice cream was served, some two hours later, Dean Warnock had gone home, but twenty-five grateful members had arrived to partake. They say it was very good ice cream.

Appeals

In last minute spurts to gain ascendancy for their candidate, people around here are going to hear from campaigners some interesting conversation during the next two or three days. We know we'll find the following classifications:

THE FLIPPANT APPEAL—for sophisticates. "Ah, yeah, palsie, we know it isn't important, but, what the hell, Wood's (Hirsch's) my pal, and we might as well put him in office. You know what I mean, he's a good guy, and he thinks that the presidency means something. Now you don't really mind going up and voting to help out a pal . . . etc."

THE URGENT APPEAL—for the naive. "Yeah, but see, if Wood (Hirsch) gets in why, you know what kind of a crook he is. Why I've known that guy Hirsch (Wood) to crib in exams. Can you imagine what kind of a class president he'd make! Do your duty! Get to the polls! Vote for the right man! And take a friend with you."

THE INSINUATING APPEAL—for suckers. "Well, look now, if you vote our way, and take three or four friends with you, why, see, when the time for appointing committeemen for all those committees comes next year, why, the president isn't going to forget his friends, is he?"

GUMSHOE GATHERINGS

Ronnie Steinmetz was back yesterday . . . getting material for his political campaign from Hirsch and Wood, no doubt . . . we notice that "Blackie" Wright, sports editor par excellence, has succeeded in making two puns grow where one grew before . . . visiting pal greets Jules Vernik with a warm handshake and a, "Why, hello, Julia." . . . 'tis rumored that the American association of Natural History has offered Frank Polin \$4000 for those far-famed shoes . . . Larry Madison garnered 14 votes for most attractive co-ed in Saturday's balloting . . . listed under his sobriquet of "Dolly" . . . some heel stole Sandy Morrison's check from an Unusual booth . . . it was one of those five or six guy affairs and now he has to pay it all . . .

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Speaking of Books . . .

When East is West, by Henrietta Leslie

This book reminds one of Kipling, Bulgaria was formerly East, when under Turkish domination. It has a charm all its own with the Black Sea, the secluded and ancient monasteries, the ruined capitals of former glories, and the picturesque costumes and customs as links.

Vitruvian Nights, by H. S. Goodhart-Rendel

Architecture in its varied fields forms the subject of a series of interesting essays. Commerce, religion, and education are some of the fields. Vitruvius was a Roman architect and engineer and the author of the earliest extant book on architecture.

The Turkish Theatre, by Nicholas N. Martinovitch

The author is Russian but he is an authority on many phases of oriental life. He has written an interesting survey of the Turkish popular theatre and the three varieties of plays which are given there for the public square, the story teller's theatre and the puppet shows.

Thunder in Their Veins, by Leone B. Moats

Reminiscence of Villa, Carranza, Oregon and other Mexican worthies of the capital city and other places in the "republic to the South of us."

Riddles of the Gobi Desert, by Sven Hedin

One of the notable geographic expeditions into unknown territory is described by a notable scientist and storyteller.

Masterpieces of the Russian Drama, edited by George R. Noyes

American interest in Russia and the Russian literature is aroused by the recent resumption of official relations between the two countries. Gogol, Tolstoy, Andreyev, Turgenyev, and even the Bolshevik Mayakovsky are among the authors represented and the translations are in good English.

Portrait of Mrs. Siddons, by Naomi Royde-Smith

Mrs. Siddons was painted by the most famous English portrait painters, Reynolds, Gainsborough, and Shair. This portrait in words—sympathetic, accurate and worthy, is for those who are interested in the English theatres, in the English of her day as well as the celebrated actress herself. Amateur Acting and Play Production, by Wayne Campbell

Little theatre groups frequently are confronted with problems which can not be solved by recourse to the ordinary dramatic procedure and experience. Here are not only helpful hints but also five one-act plays with production notes.

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA

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Elva A. Karwois '37
Dorothy L. Lesh '37
Reva M. Lincoln '37
Evelyn A. Meabon '37
C. Betty Miller '37
Alma J. Shenk '37
Eleanor L. Stewart '37
Genevra C. Ziegler '37

Say, Buddy--Who's Beaver Avenue Named For--Another Lion Prexy?

Pugh street, Allen street, Beaver avenue, Penn State has left an indelible impression upon State College, Fraser, Atherton, Burrows, and Sparks, all have a familiar ring of their own, and all but one run parallel to each other. They were named in memory of outstanding administrators of the College.

A research into a well-worn history of the College reveals that when Penn State was founded there were three prominent leaders behind the new institution—Dr. Evan Pugh, the first president, Frederick Watts, and H. N. McAllister—all familiar names to students now.

Dr. Pugh was president of the College for only five years, and upon his death he was succeeded by William H. Allen, who left for us half the address of the "Corner." John Fraser and Thomas H. Burrows were the next presidents, providing the names for two more streets.

In 1880 Dr. George W. Atherton became the head of Penn State, holding this position until his death in 1906. New Beaver Field as well as Beaver avenue remain as memorials to the Hon. James A. Beaver, governor of Pennsylvania, and president of the board of trustees at the time of Dr. Atherton's death.

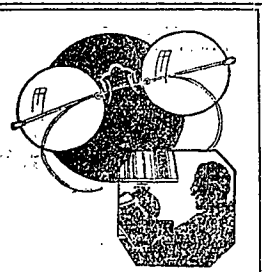
Back in 1908, at the time when there were only two or three co-eds in each class, and only nine national fraternities in the entire College, Dr. Edwin E. Sparks became Penn State's president. Out at the southwest-ern limit of town is his memorial.

Of course the origin of College avenue's name is not difficult to figure out.

PATRICK LEAVES TO CONDUCT MISSOURI SOIL EXPERIMENTS

Dr. Austin L. Patrick, of the agricultural experimental station, who has been appointed regional director of soil erosion work in Pennsylvania, left for Missouri recently, to study soil erosion experiments conducted there for the past several years.

In Pennsylvania the soil tests will constitute a cooperative project of the college and the erosion project of the United States Department of Interior. The project will consist of the three phases of survey, experiment, and application.



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COWELL '34 WILL PRESENT MUSACLE SATURDAY NIGHT

Jane A. Cowell '34, pianist, will be the guest soloist at the regular Saturday night musicale in the Presbyterian church. The recorded portion of the program, which is to be modern in theme, will consist of Sibelius' First Symphony and Gershwin's "An American in Paris."

Miss Cowell will open the program with a selection by Cyril Scott, followed by two short numbers by Camille Zechwer, Debussy's "Prelude and Sarabande" in A minor and "The Minstrels" will form the second part of her program. Her final selection will be Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue."

SPERRY NAMED PRESIDENT

Dr. Joel E. Sperry, of the department of bacteriology, was elected president of the central Pennsylvania branch of the Society of American Bacteriologists at its conference here last Saturday.

CAMPUS DRIVES WORK BEGINS

Work to prepare the campus drives for the application of asphalt was begun at the foot of North Burrows Street Friday, according to George W. Elert, Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings.

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