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THOSE WHO PRATE of practicality will find their wishes gratified in the student elections this spring. The introduction of a voting machine should prove a popular innovation. Too, this year, the usual confusion which used to reign around the rear of Old Main should be missing. No more will six hungry clique chairmen tackle each voter with the question, "What's your name, how'd you vote?"

UNFORTUNATE IS THE most apt characterization of the difficulty which the College is experiencing with the recent budget submitted to the State Legislature. The need for alarm is not pressing, however. Governor Earle has promised to investigate thoroughly the needs of every institution.

There is little question that when the Governor becomes better acquainted with Penn State, he will realize only too well that at present we are struggling along on an almost absolute minimum budget. He cannot fail to see that any further reduction would be disastrous.

PENN STATE STUDENTS should feel grateful for the opportunity to hear a man so well known both in and out of the college field as Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, who visits the campus this week-end. Realizing the importance as well as the just popularity of Dr. Niebuhr's talks here, College authorities have granted dismissal of all 11 o'clock classes tomorrow morning so that students can attend the Convocation at that time. His initial address as well as his later talks should certainly be well attended, as his appeal is to intelligent townspeople and faculty members, as well as to students.

STUFFED SKI SUITS

The strain and stress of the actual regulation of a new rushing code has revealed Panhellenic Council in its worst light. This organization which should stand as the strong governing body of the women's fraternity system, has proven itself weak-willed and incapable of making its own decisions.

The recent squabble over the rushing date had to be taken to the U.S.G.A. senate, an organization including women of all classes and non-fraternity women, for settlement. The ten women's houses had arranged themselves equally on opposing sides, and while pretending to stand for a principle, were petty enough to ignore the general welfare of the fraternities. Neglect of the women student leaders to voice their preference for a rushing date complicated the matter and brought on the crisis.

Ignorance of the rules of its own national organization was one instance of mismanagement. On several occasions, women had changed their pledges from one house to another. The Council, while it did not sanction this, chose to ignore it. Upon investigation when a controversy arose this year, it was discovered that a national Panhellenic ruling stipulated a year's wait, before re-pledging after a pledge had been broken. Panhellenic's problem was thus painlessly solved.

No consideration was given to the fact of the new circumstance of rushing a freshman group. A large majority of the 1938 women came to college ignorant of the existence of fraternities and rushing conditions. Before Christmas, a meeting of the fraternity presidents discussed the merits of the idea of small freshman discussion groups, to enlighten the girls about the intricacies of rushing season. The plan was handed over to Panhellenic Council for execution. The discussions would have been invaluable in adjusting the women to the whys and wherefores of rushing. Panhellenic's vacillation made it impossible to perform this service for the freshmen. Perhaps next year, the idea will not be overlooked.

The weakness of Panhellenic Council lies in the fraternities themselves. Delegates from the houses are elected for their knowledge of the routine of the Council's activities, and the general execution of fraternity affairs. But the houses fail to install into their representatives the idea that the organization should be the central cooperative government of the system. Fraternity politics and petty jealousies should be laid aside to facilitate the more efficient administration of women's fraternity affairs. —R.E.K.

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

Dear Maniac:

We'd do practically anything to win a prize from you even when it is necessary to read Burton Rowles' trence to qualify as a contestant. We have concentrated for hours on his paragraphic gem which goes "Worlds dissipate away and are reborn while woman poses her mind in what must be odd poses. This ski suit was neither going to, then or later, or coming from the sloping hills."

We have found a number of reasons or explanations for the Rowles estroica. Viz:

- 1. The quoted paragraph is merely a typewriter exercise like 'Now is the time for all good men, etc., etc.' which crept into the copy by mistake.
2. Editor Mans Rowles, patterning somewhat after a Mr. Joyce, has introduced a new motif: The Stream of Unconsciousness.
3. Some long-named foreigner has gotten into a legal tangle known as the 'ski suit' and can't get out of the country.

Sympathetically,
Campy

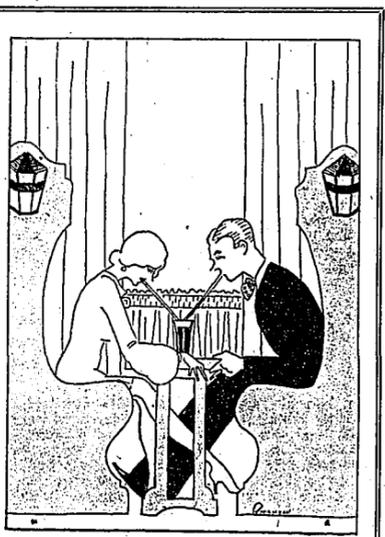
THE REAL RED CENTER

We thought we knew the main centers where rabid sympathizers with the proletariat hang out hereabouts, but we never even got near the hotbed. It was only when our agent consistently reported that Mary (Erse) Weber was furtively carrying something from the Corner Room desk each day that we checked up and discovered that she has her Daily Worker delivered to her there to fool capitalistic dorm-matrons. It is rumored that Mary holds revolt meetings in her room, while she has been seen around quite a bit with Leon Lurie, a propagandist, who is teaching her how to be a Red Menace in forty-seven easy lessons.

TRUE TO TITTLE

Last night Bob Llewellyn, Sigma Chi, hied himself to the Kappa manse to be real generous about Valentine's Day to Anne Plumb. He brought a large box of candy with him and presented it to her. Naturally, the news of the food got around and all the sisters came begging. Now this guy Llewellyn is smart, so smart that he imposed conditions and demanded a Kappa Kiss in return for each Llewellyn Sweet. What's more he caught the Kappas in a hungry moment and it wasn't more than five minutes before the candy was all gone. The only Kappa who didn't eat any was Marcia Daniel. That's what we call loyalty.

PIN-POINTS—Litprof. Werner explains that 471-b is an English Literature course, not History, whereupon Bert Finley and Bob Showman shamefacedly leave... the S. P. E. freshmen have revolted against the S. P. E. hell week... we're for them... and for the young lady from Hood who did the hula in scanties for Jack Robinson at the Phi Sigma Kappa house a while back... A personal Bronx Cheer for the Pi Kappa Phis who were responsible for the assemblage of funny froth that paraded around the basketball floor at the game last night... real John Held Jr. stuff... A lady named Edith who slings trays in the Green Room took care of Chi, the dog we mentioned once before, for a while last week... she thought the boys were cruel to him... Helen, stenographer to ex-Chief Zarger, spends most of her working time in the second floor lounge, Old Main... The Ed Carr-Peggy Winchester league is doing nicely... And have you had your name taken in a beer joint yet, Wilbur?... That London Socialist, who spoke at the Lion the other night, banged his fist on a soap-box which proudly displayed the Blue Eagle... Peg Smith makes Editor Brutzman turn pale green when she squelches him in a recent argument...



The Corner unusual

"A complete food service"

Second Term Rushing Proves Satisfactory To Deans, Co-ed Heads

"In two years we will be able to tell how satisfactory second semester rushing is. I do not think a very fair opinion can be made at the end of one rushing season," Ellen M. Burkholder, assistant to the Dean of Women, said in regard to the new second semester rushing code.

Dean of Women Charlotte E. Ray was of the opinion that it seemed to go through very satisfactorily. She was pleased that more upper class girls and freshmen were rushed this semester, compared to last semester. Clara E. Jones '38, president of the freshman class, spoke of the length of time it takes freshmen to adjust themselves to the "sorority situation." She believes a year would give girls more time to think the matter over. "But, knowing they are to be rushed at the end of one semester, the freshmen will take it for granted and deal with it accordingly," she said.

Strength of Socialist Movement To Come From College Students, Henderson States

"I find that students in American colleges today are beginning to look critically at the present economic system and are turning to socialism as a result. For this reason, I feel that much of the strength of the social movement in this country will come from college youth with increasing rapidity," said Fred Henderson, noted British economist and socialist leader in an interview following his address at the Nittany Lion Inn, Monday night. "I have found, too," he continued, "that in most cases the faculty members favor socialism, but are usually afraid to express their sympathy too openly. This does not parallel conditions in England where the colleges and universities are strongholds of socialism and one of the strongest factors in its development." In his address earlier in the evening on "A Case for Socialism," Mr.

Henderson, speaking of socialistic progress in his own country, said: "In England the Socialist party will be in control in a very few years. We are a hundred years ahead of you Americans in this respect."

"I am amazed at the conception of Socialism which many Americans have. They seem to think that it is an enemy of religion, family life, and morals in general. Instead it is capitalism which destroys the home, enslaving members of the family, and forcing them into competition with each other."

"The trouble with you in this country is that you fear what William Randolph Hearst would say about you if you held opinions contrary to his. You let him and his newspapers guide your prejudices. Your President is undertaking a vigorous program of economic adjustment, but it is like giving artificial respiration to a drowning man before he has been pulled out of the water." Concluding his address, Mr. Henderson said, "Socialism would give, for the first time, opportunities for all those things which capitalism spoils. People must produce for use, not for profit."

Co-ed Chatter

A survey of the recent rushing season shows a decided tendency away from having a few women bid by many fraternities, according to the figures compiled by the Dean of Women's office.

The present tendency is toward a wider acquaintanceship and less competition among fraternities and seems to be working for the good of the College and not of the fraternity alone.

This season 170 bids were given to 129 co-eds compared with 150 bids given last September, and 105 the year before. Of the 129 girls, 105 accepted, 23 regretted, and one failed to answer.

The three reasons offered by those who regretted were first, financial impossibility; second, insufficient acquaintance with fraternity women; and third, a delay until parents had been consulted.

Miss Charlotte E. Ray, Dean of Women, presented the opinion that this last reason showed that the rushes were considering the problem as a serious one and indicated an interest of parents in student activities.

Letter Box

To the Editor:

I was amazed at the editorial which you ran in today's Collegian concerning W. R. Hearst.

It just happens that I am a personal friend of one of Mr. Hearst's attorneys and an acquaintance of Mr. Hearst. I also happen to know that Mr. Hearst does not permit his name being libeled in the press — even a college publication — and does not hesitate to prosecute.

Needless to say, the accusations of being a liar is gross libel.

Unless you publish in your next issue an apology for your headstrong words, I am going to see that Mr. Hearst's legal staff gets a copy of your editorial.

Because of my position here, I am not signing my name as I do not wish to be involved in the matter personally. Needless to state, I am not a student.

A Friend

P. S. The entire editorial was an outstanding example of puerile writing and not worthy of criticism from its factual standpoint.

From the Editor:

The COLLEGIAN, too, is amazed. The staff at the same time is unduly astonished to find a friend of W. R. Hearst lurking in State College — not only are we surprised to find that Mr. Hearst has a friend, but we thought this was a community of enlightened souls. Incidentally, most of our leading bookstores sell English composition texts. Therein you will discover a rule which says, "Plural subjects take plural verbs." We hope that our accusations concerning your knowledge of fundamentals are not defamatory to your character.

We are extremely sorry to say that the volume of our news and advertising prevents us from printing any apologies in this issue. COLLEGIANS are on sale for five cents each at all newsstands.

This is the first time this year that a missive has appeared in the Letter Box when we did not know the author, but the unusual interest yours possesses forces us to overstep the rules. We believe sincerely that you are not a student — your letter has the unmistakable ring of the typewriter of one who is disdainfully known among his profession as an ambulance-charger.

Your desire not to be involved personally in the matter reminds me of another friend I once had. He put limburger cheese behind our high school study hall radiators. He wished to remain anonymous, also.

John A. Brutzman '35

P. S.: I love you.

Two courses which deal with the agencies of peace have been added to the R. O. T. C. curriculum at Princeton University.

We are here to serve you, and nothing will please us so much as to have you give us the opportunity.

The First National Bank of State College

John T. McCormick, President
David F. Kapp, Cashier

Hall Officers Elected

L. Ben Hull '35 was chosen president of Varsity hall for this semester at elections held recently. Other officers also elected were: J. Kenneth Weikal '35, vice-president; Richard M. Smith '37, secretary; Paul Startzell '36, treasurer; and Jerome J. McDonnell '37, athletic manager.

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MARY RICKER



FORTIFIED WITH FOOD

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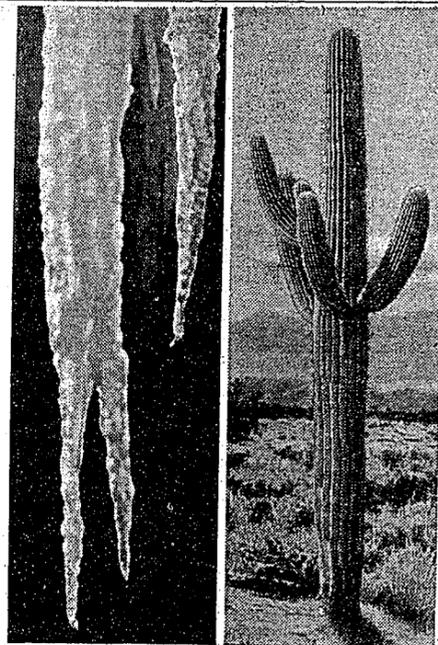
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