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To the Voters Of State College

TODAY YOU WILL GO to the polls to decide, among other things, whether the sale of beer will continue in State College.

The moral issues of this question can, and have been, argued back and forth forever. There is an issue, however, which has almost been forgotten, and an issue which certainly should not be forgotten, since it is one of the truly great American principles.

It is an issue about which there can be no argument. Neither of the most fanatic of the wets or the dries can deny it. That issue is REPRESENTATION.

The Old Main Bell has called attention to this factor in an article this September. It said, "It is an unparalleled situation when half of the population of a town is denied the right to express its opinion on a matter of such importance. The American Revolution was fought over a similar situation—taxation without representation. Here is the joker: students are denied a voice in government, but their fraternity houses are taxed on the same basis as the property of local citizens."

As a result of the situation, we find that the W. C. T. U. and the Laymen's Dry Committee and Ministerium, the latter of which is not even supported by all the local ministers, is trying to force upon more than half the town an intolerable and unhealthy moral condition.

It might not be so bad if the students who are twenty-one were able to vote. But even those members of the student body are not permitted the franchise. To quote again from the Old Main Bell, "... the student body is entirely powerless to influence this decision one iota, through the elective system."

The Collegian, however, feels that the students are able to influence this decision, and that they have shown the people of this community that moderation and law enforcement are not the joke that the dries in their hysterical and fanatical speeches and letters make them out to be.

Through the efforts of student government groups and upperclassmen, moderation and temperance have been the unbroken rule this year. Burgess Wilbur F. Leitzell's blotter is clean as far as student drunkenness goes compared to the days of prohibition.

This shows that drinking here in State College can be controlled; controlled by the students themselves. It shows that the students are interested enough in their welfare and conduct to set up a system of self-discipline and adhere to it. It shows that there is such a thing as temperance and that it is practical, although the W. C. T. U., despite its name, prefers not to recognize that fact.

The question comes up as to whether the students favor the retention of beer. Unknown to the Collegian, Prof. John S. Bowman, of the English composition department, conducted as a class project in argumentation a survey of the student body to find out the number of students who drank beer and to what extent.

The statistics showed that 56.8 per cent of the students drink beer in varying degrees of frequency. More than half of the students, then, drink beer, and it is to be certainly followed from that that there is a great percentage of students who, while they do not drink beer, favor its retention here for the same reasons as this paper. It has also been interesting to note that this paper, has not received a single letter from any student urging, or even asking for, prohibition.

The above mentioned figure is of special interest to the Collegian, for several weeks ago it received a communication from Rev. Edward H. Jones, a local minister, who placed that figure at fifteen per cent.

At the time the Collegian questioned Reverend Jones' figures—they seemed quite impossible. But there was no proof to show them false. Now there is. Reverend Jones was just under the true figure by some forty per cent.

Since the publication of Reverend Jones' letter, the Collegian has also found out that his original figure was five per cent, but that of his own accord he upped the figure ten per cent, which shows the utter lack of system and research upon the part of the dry forces in drawing their conclusions.

It also shows that even some of our best moral leaders and character builders are not hesitant to cheat. When the present editor was a little boy, he used to hear stories at Sunday school about the big book God had on his desk up in heaven. God probably still has that big book, Reverend Jones.

State College has long been known as a town of intelligent people. For that reason, the Collegian sincerely hopes that its voters will consider the fact that the students, over half the population, want beer here, and yet have no means of voicing an opinion.

This paper also hopes that our voters will consider the hypocrisy of local prohibition; that it will mean the return of the bootlegger to State College, with fewer means than ever of convicting or punishing him; that it will mean the drunkenness of students in nearby towns; that it will mean trouble for the College, for this town, and for the adjoining towns; that it will mean drunken driving between those towns and here; that it will mean there will be more liquor drinking here than ever.

And the responsibility of the people of State College to the mothers and fathers of the students who come here from all over the state cannot be overestimated. What a great many mothers are thinking is established in their letter from one to be found on the front page.

Pre-Medical Society Elects New Officers

William H. Robinson III '36 was elected president of the Pre-Medical society at a meeting held in the Home Economics auditorium Wednesday night. Turgut N. Hamdi '36 was elected vice-president, and Gene C. Ziegler '37, secretary.

Social Science Group To Discuss War Crisis

"Responsibility and Policy of the United States in the Present European Crisis" will be the topic of an open discussion to be held by Pi Gamma Mu, Honorary social science fraternity, in the second floor lounge of Old Main Thursday night at 7 o'clock. The discussion will be led by Prof. S. K. Stevens, of the department of history and political science, and by Serolino Ciambella '36.

Drive Against War Planned By 15 Groups

Binns Named Chairman Of Armistice Day Peace Program.

Speakers Will Address Morning Mass Meeting

Preparations for the all-campus mobilization for peace, a national eleventh-hour demonstration against war, to be held next Monday, Armistice Day, at 11:10 o'clock in the morning, neared completion yesterday after a series of meetings of the representatives of campus organizations last week to determine resolutions and discuss plans for the mobilization. The executive committee of the mobilization will meet today to decide on the program of the mobilization.

Meeting last Friday afternoon, representatives of fifteen campus organizations chose Edward T. Binns '38, who was active in the peace demonstration here last spring, chairman of the mobilization. Horace H. Pusey '38, was named secretary.

Tentative Program Planned

An executive committee, comprising chairmen of committees, was chosen at the meeting Friday. The committee; Bertha M. Cohen '37, polls; Jules Vernik '36, program committee; Sarabelle Reese '36, finance, and petitions committee; and James T. Dugan '37, publicity committee. Co-advisors of the mobilization are Arthur H. Reede, of the department of economics and sociology, and Charles P. Hogarth, associate secretary of the P. S. A. C.

A tentative program for the mobilization next Monday includes: a morning mass meeting at 11:10 at which students and faculty members will speak on the issues and purposes of the mobilization; an afternoon meeting featuring an outside speaker; and a presentation of pertinent entertainment Monday night. The College administration is being asked that excuses from 11 o'clock classes be granted to all those attending the meeting.

Resolutions Defined For a constructive program against war, the mobilization committee will advocate the following resolutions for consideration of the student body:

- 1. To support by every means at our disposal genuine neutrality legislation.
2. To refuse to support the government of the United States in any war which it undertakes.
3. To oppose the R. O. T. C.
4. To insist on opportunities in the curriculum and outside for relating our education to these crucial problems.
5. To denounce the law in this state requiring the oath of allegiance of students and teachers in educational institutions and to insist on complete academic freedom.
6. To oppose fascism and fascist tendencies in this country.

Petitions will be drawn up and circulated among the students, faculty, and townspeople on these points:

- 1. To the College administration: that R. O. T. C. be made optional.

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A Mother's Views on Beer

The following letter was received by the Collegian from Mrs. D. C. Armstrong, of Morton, Pa., the mother of James H. Armstrong, '36 who is editor of the La Vie, manager of the fencing team, and a member of Lion's Paw, senior honorary society.

124 Bridge Street, Morton, Pa., November 1, 1935

To the Editor: Three weeks ago my husband attended the Father's Day exercises at State College. At that time he learned of the local option election resting with the coming decision. He was quite disturbed about the matter.

Until the coming of 1934, Penn State was frequently heard of in a not too pleasant manner. Stories of heavy bootlegging and lack of local control were not uncommon among persons interested in—but seldom close to—the school. Of late these stories have subsided.

I have the same feeling as a dozen other Penn State mothers in this district—a district that is as far from the school as is possible within the state. We all are of the opinion that this banning of beer will bring a return of the bootlegging and Saturday-night slumming parties to the smaller cities, which are not too nearby.

Perhaps the women of State College have sons that trade at the local beer dispensaries. It may be possible that these boys would not drink if these places are closed. However, they have control of the situation because of location. We are totally removed and can rely on our trust in controlled drinking about your town: I only wish that the general feeling of the parents throughout the State, who, after all, finance the town of State College to a great extent, might be made clear.

Very sincerely yours, Mrs. D. C. Armstrong

Conditions Improved Following Repeal Dennis States

"I can, and I will, say that conditions here have definitely improved since the repeal of prohibition," said Captain William V. Dennis Jr., head of the campus patrol, when interviewed by the Collegian concerning the question of whether the retail sale of beer in State College should be retained.

"In the days of prohibition we always had quite a bit of trouble with intoxicated persons at the major class dances in Recreation hall but since repeal, since beer has come into State College, I have observed that there are fewer cases of intoxication, in fact practically none at all," declared Captain Dennis.

"Since repeal the conditions all over the campus have improved. The boys stay here on the week-ends instead of going off to Bellefonte and Philipsburg where they get slopped up and end up in jail," he continued. "The whole town quiets down much earlier now than it did during the days of prohibition."

'WDDWA AKGKWN' Landsberg Wires in Recording Earthquake

"WDDWA AKGKWN" or "We recorded strong earthquake 260 miles away at 9:35 o'clock," was the text of the seismographic message sent to the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey by Dr. Helmut Landsberg, of the department of geo-physics, after the College seismograph had recorded the second earthquake shock here Saturday morning.

The first shock, which came Friday morning at 1:55 o'clock was so strong that the mirror of the seismograph was overturned and only the initial vibrations were recorded. Dr. Landsberg said, an accident which has never occurred here before.

"This is the first earthquake in this part of the country since 1886," Dr. Landsberg said. "The center of the first disturbance was about 150 miles away and the center of the second about 260 miles away. In order to overturn the mirror on our seismograph, the first shock must have been a shift of at least .05 inches, although we cannot determine the full strength of it.

Describing the full extent of the area affected by the earthquakes, the seismologist estimated that it covered the territory from far north in Canada along the Atlantic seaboard to

London Singers To Open Annual Artists' Course

Date for Orchestra Is Changed to Feb. 11 By Committee.

English Musical Group To Open Series Jan. 20

John Goss and his London Singers, an outstanding group of five English musicians, have been selected for the opening number on the 1935 Artists' course, displacing the National Symphony Orchestra, which group, originally scheduled as first on the program, will appear here as the second number, Carlo E. Marquardt, chairman of the Artists' Course committee, announced recently.

In announcing the change in date from January 21 to February 11 for the Symphony, Dr. Marquardt stated that this was being done as a convenience to that organization which can secure more engagements in this district at the later date.

Singers Will Appear Jan. 20

January 20 has been set as the date when John Goss and his London Singers will present a program of "Social Songs," sea shanties, folk songs, catches and canons, and songs of Old England. This is the fifth season of the organization in this country although they have enjoyed European popularity for a much longer period.

Although definitely a concert group, the London Singers present a program which is anything but a serious affair. The singers group themselves around a piano as the occasion requires. Sometimes it is a duet, sometimes a trio, or quartet, with one of the men doubling at the piano. The solos are sung by John Goss himself, an artist of distinction, gifted with a fine baritone voice.

These five men are all one-time professional men, drawn together by their love of music, who agreed to give up their calling and make music their vocation. The organization toured England and the Continent for ten years before coming to this country. John Goss, however, had already made a name for himself here as a concert soloist.

Group To Present Unique Program

That which gives uniqueness to the program of the London singers is their singing of old sea shanties which belong to the days of the old clipper and square-rigged sailing vessels and which were sung by the sailors at work. John Mansfield, the poet, says of these shanties that they are the most beautiful of all the numbers rendered by the group.

In securing the services of this noted group, Dr. Marquardt stated that the Artists' Committee was most fortunate since they had been endeavoring to bring them here for some years but up until now had been unsuccessful. Dr. Marquardt also said that other artists with whom the Committee is making final arrangements for appearances here will be of the same high calibre as John Goss and his London Singers, and the National Symphony Orchestra.

Chapel Speaker Notes Attitudes Toward Life

The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel R. H. Moor, of Pittsburgh, spoke on "Three Christian Attitudes Toward Life" in his chapel address in Schwab auditorium Sunday morning.

Three essentials of a truly religious life are to put life on a positive plane, to accept it as a challenge, and to live life joyously, Dr. Moor declared.

"We need a positive attitude toward everything we tackle. You can't sit on the fence in a growing universe, you have to advance, betting your life on the possibilities and adventures of tomorrow," the speaker said.

"When you have a handicap, meet it with a challenge, not with brakes. Never allow the excuses of life to come in and tie you down. The greater the handicap the greater should be the stimulus to overcome it. The world is cruel and thoughtless as to individuals, so we must look upon it as something stirring us up, not as something tying us down.

"If you do things with a smile upon your lips you will not only brighten up your own life, but make things pleasanter for your neighbors. This does not mean that you must go around with a Pollyanna grin, but should really try to see the amusing side of life. Religion is the most joyful thing in the world; it is a power within itself," Dr. Moor concluded.

Syracuse Orange Defeats Nittany Lion Gridgers, 7-3, With Pass in Last Minute

Tickets for Penn Game To Go on Sale Nov. 12

Reserved seat tickets for the Penn State-Pennsylvania football game will go on sale at the A. A. ticket office in Old Main, Tuesday morning, November 12. Tickets will remain on sale Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, at the regular \$2.28, tax included, and there is no limit to the number of seats which may be purchased.

Students who are unable to purchase tickets at this time may obtain seats in the Penn State section at the Penn State Alumni Smoker at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Friday night, November 15. The Penn State section will include seats in both the upper and lower tiers.

Bottorf To Play For Harvest Ball

Balloting for Harvest Queen To Start Next Week; Dance Set for Nov. 26.

Balloting will start next week to determine the Queen for the annual Harvest Costume Ball to be held in the Armory Tuesday, November 26, William G. Balderston '36, chairman, announced today.

Bill Bottorf's orchestra will furnish the music for the affair which will be an all-College dance. The subscription will be seventy-five cents a couple.

Froth To Hold Balloting

Announcement of committee chairmen was made last week. They include Robert B. Sterrett '37, checking; H. William Graham '36, decorations; W. Herbert Brown '36, refreshments; and Chester J. Tyson Jr. '36, publicity. Rural decorations will feature the dance. Refreshments will be served.

Balloting for the Queen will be in charge of the Froth business staff. There will be one day of general voting during which voters may select anyone whom they choose. A list of the five highest will then be voted upon the second day to determine the final winner. She will preside over the affair.

9 Chaperons Invited To Houseparty Dance

Invitations have been issued to chaperons for the Informal Houseparty dance, sponsored by the Penn State Club, to be held in the Nittany Lion Inn Friday night, George L. Donovan and William H. Robinson III '36, co-chairman of the dance, announced last week.

Invitations have been extended to Dean and Mrs. Arthur R. Warnock, Prof. and Mrs. John H. Frizzell, Miss Catherine Phelps, Assistant Dean of Women, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Bischoff, and Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Stevens.

Both lounges at the Inn have been engaged for the use of dancers. Tickets for the dance, which is open to anyone wishing to attend, are available at the Student Union office. They will also be on sale at the door Friday night.

Hetzel At Anniversary

As official representative of the College, President Ralph D. Hetzel attended the celebration exercises of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Bryn Mawr College, Friday and Saturday. Most of the colleges and universities in the East were represented at the affair.

Some Dry Facts

The figures below cover a corresponding period of time in the years mentioned.

*Students arrested for drunkenness this year -----17
Students arrested for drunkenness the last year of prohibition-----32
*Several of these cases are pending.

These are some cold facts on the effect of prohibition and the effect of repeal as shown upon the report of Chief of Police Albert E. Yougel.

Common sense dictates the fact that local prohibition is practically impossible since the town of State College is close to adjoining towns and townships where liquor and beer may be bought and there are no laws making it a legal offense to transport and have in possession these beverages.

IT MIGHT BE FURTHER NOTED THAT "LOCAL PROHIBITION" APPLIES ONLY TO THE RETAIL SALE OF BEER. EVEN IF THE RETAIL SALE OF BEER IS VOTED OUT, IT MAY STILL BE PURCHASED BY THE CASE AND KEG WITHIN THE BOROUGH LIMITS.

WOULD THAT LEAD TO TEMPERANCE?

State Takes Early Lead When Cooper Kicks Long Field Goal

Albanese Leads Orange With Spectacular Runs

In desperation, with one minute to play and the Syracuse Orange tossing their hopes with a forward pass, the pass worked, Syracuse scored. Forty seconds remained to play. O'Hara passed to Morini, but the pass was knocked out of his hands, Yett grabbing the ball and taking it across the goal line. Penn State lost. The score was 7-0-3. The reason: the pass play was ruled illegal.

The Lions' planned strategy of getting an early lead was realized early in the first quarter when Cooper, near the sidelines on the twenty-yard line, kicked a field goal. This three-point lead was not threatened until the final minute of play.

Pass Leads To Score

Syracuse opened a wild aerial attack to gain their goal. Reckmack completed a forward pass to Rekestis, gaining thirty-eight yards, and putting the ball on the thirty-five yard stripe. Albanese continued his spectacular line plunging and gained a first down on the following play. On the next play Albanese grabbed an aerial from Reckmack and raced twenty yards to the goal.

The climatic point of the game came a few seconds later. O'Hara passed to Morini who jumped up in the midst of three Syracuse players who also jumped after the ball in an attempt to intercept it or but it to the ground. As the ball came out of the fray, Yett nabbed it and took it across the goal line with only thirty seconds left to play.

Referee Decides Fate

The decision as to whether or not the play was legal depended upon whether or not a Syracuse player touched the ball. The referee ruled that no opponent had touched the ball, thus making it an incomplete forward pass. Theoretically, according to the interpretation, the play amounted to a forward pass after a forward pass.

The decision was not received with the same popularity in all quarters. Coach Bob Higgins bitterly protested, saying that he believed and always would believe that that play won the game for Penn State.

Albanese Stars

Vannie Albanese led the Orange attack, passing, kicking, and carrying the ball. He put the ball on the four-yard line in the third quarter after a lone bucking drive down the field from his own twenty-eight yard line. He carried the ball on nineteen out of twenty plays for a total of seventy yards gained. Ed Jontos stole the defensive show.

Lefty Knapp featured for the Lions, continually harassing Syracuse with his end runs and off-tackle plays. However, State's greatest claim to fame again rested with the line.

State Outrushed

Once again the Lions won recognition as "the greatest defensive team placed in the path of the still undefeated Oranges." The Lions twice held when Syracuse fought down to the four-yard stripe. Once they took the ball on the two-yard line on downs.

Statistically speaking, Syracuse outplayed Penn State, with eighteen first downs for a total gainage of 180 yards as compared to State's 111 yards on nine first downs. Syracuse gained 105 yards through aerials as compared to State's sixty-six.

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