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"CO-EDS DON'T DRINK"

THE PENN STATE co-ed just does not drink. With tightly shut eyes and glittering generalities the W. S. G. A. expresses itself in wishful thinking.

And we are unable to look upon these latter as willful and incorrigible rule-breakers. They do not impress us as wild young women out to Raise Hell and Get Awful Plastered.

That exception is the stigma attached to being caught. A girl who has had a glass of beer is in danger of disgracing herself and her friends if discovered by the governing board.

Creation of this artificial stigma, making a primary sin out of a minor episode of normal social life, has had and can have only one result; it leads to hypocrisy with its attendant demoralizing effects.

What defense does W. S. G. A. offer for its unobserved and (relatively) unenforced rule? Their principal defense is this: The girls who now drink will do it more moderately if they know that they are violating a rule.

Society and public opinion will never countenance drunkenness in co-eds. But neither will drunkenness be countenanced among women in any other level of society.

A further evidence of the absurdity of the whole thing is seen in the attitude of co-eds themselves toward drinking. The majority are intelligent and broad-minded enough to realize that drinking per se is an individual problem and one which each co-ed must solve for herself.

LET'S FLY WITH THE TIMES

A COLLEGIAN editorial last week called for fundamental courses in aeronautics as part of the curriculum in mechanical engineering.

M. E. 454 and 456 are listed in the catalogue but not in the time table. Why? No one is taking either course this year.

"The mechanical engineering laboratory has extensive aeronautical equipment including a complete airplane, typical engines, etc.," says the letter.

The first: The faculty of the department of mechanical engineering has not increased despite the terrific increase in enrollment that puts its curriculum roll ahead of all others on the campus.

The second: If Professor Everett did obtain modern and more extensive aeronautical equipment from the Navy department, he would have no place to install it.

If Penn State wants to be flying with the times, wants to help in the prevention of air catastrophes such as last week raised the death toll since December 15 to forty-three, let there be additions to the department of mechanical engineering—additions to the faculty, to the courses, and wings—to the buildings.

OLD MANIA

May "Queen":

For May Queen we nominate Charlotte Ray. There's no two ways about it, girls, she's the only logical candidate for the position.

And this department can think of no person on the campus who so well fulfills these three requirements as our own Charlotte Ray.

Penn State-Syracuse:

Penn State's openly subsidized semi-pro boxing team (see "Between the Lions" column) walloped the hell out of Syracuse Saturday night to the accompaniment of a barrage of paper airplanes from the gallery.

After the bouts the battered Syracuseans, almost to a man, dated the same Sandwich Shop waitresses they took out after last year's Intercollegiate.

Syracuse-Penn State:

"Hello. What? Long Distance? Yes. This is Mr. Galbraith. Who? Bell Helriegel? Well for... where are you? The swimming meet starts at two this afternoon.

"Boys," he gulped. "I... Bill... uh... that is... Looking up he stared at the group which included (and we hate to say this because it spoils the story) Bill Helriegel—sober.

Gleanings:

Billy Soose really scored two knockouts, both technical, last Saturday. The first occurred in Rec Hall where he had "Beast" McGivern reeling when the ref stopped the fight and the second took place at the Valentine Dance in the Armory when Freddy Ball hung one on his partner's beautiful feminine nose in showing her "how Soose done it."

Bud Chase has 3 (count 'em) dates for Senior Ball, so far... And Bart Henderson swears he is the only guy in these parts ever to don Prexy Hetzel's "tails," (aside from the Prexy, you dope).

We Women

By MARION A. RINGER

The recent nominations for May Queen have created violent discussion and opposition. The majority of the women feel that the May Queen should be selected upon the basis of beauty alone.

A simple way of dealing with the problem in the future would be for all May Queen nominations to come from the girls at an open meeting.

What W.S.G.A. meant by activities as a qualification was not a big position but something to show that the girl had taken some interest in campus life.

Letter Box

To the Editor:

Referring to an editorial in the February 9 issue, "Flying Behind the Times," the following facts should be helpful, as the article contains many misstatements.

The mechanical engineering laboratory has extensive aeronautical equipment including a complete airplane, typical engines, accessories and instruments.

The department aided the forming of the Glider Club some years ago and has assisted it. There is now in effect a cooperative arrangement with the officials of the local airport permitting the use of our laboratory facilities in ground school work carried on under the auspices of the department of engineering extension.

An up-to-date library of aeronautical books, particularly a very complete file of the publications of the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics is maintained.

If the editorial is based on the report of the young man who interviewed me, there is obviously a misunderstanding. His question to me was concerning my attitude on the establishment here of a four-year complete curriculum in aeronautical engineering.

H. A. Everett, Head of the Department

To the Editor:

For the most part I agree with your editorial on the need of a course dealing with aeronautics. There are a number of students, not only in the School of Engineering, but also in other curricula, who would subscribe to an elementary survey course.

Such was the case last year when, through the persistent efforts of Sherm Lutz and the co-operation of the engineering extension division.

FOOT LIGHTS

THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL. By Richard Brinsley Sheridan. With a prologue by William L. Werner and a melody by Hummel Fishburn.

- Lady Sneerwell: Jane Eames Snake; Kenneth Kagen; Walter St. Clair; Harry Reed; Miriam Hawkins; Hilda Hanson; William Hile; Robert Thompson; Thomas Francis; Jack McCain; Iola Murray; Edward Binns; Silom Horwitz; John Steer; Herbert Yanofsky; Barton Henderson; Fred Serff; Randolph Graham; Scene designs, costume selections, and wig designs by Dorothy Scott. Orchestra conducted by Mr. Fishburn.

In selecting Sheridan's immortal comedy of manners for their Seventeenth Anniversary production the Players were on treacherous ground.

It is a pleasure, then, to report that the Players' "School for Scandal" successfully avoided these hazards and turned out to be the finest show of the year.

The villain of the piece, Joseph Surface, was played with good taste by Harry Reed. He wisely withstood the temptation to overact and used his voice to good advantage.

The large supporting cast had no obviously weak members. Several of them lacked color, but none detracted from the production.

Edward Binns, in a type of character which he has never played before, continued to demonstrate that he is the most nearly professional actor here in recent years.

The rapid developments in this industry and allied fields certainly point to a future demand for trained experts, but whether the student enters aeronautics with the purpose of preparing himself for a life's work or for an avocation the most logical place to start would be to learn the fundamental principles upon which later work can be based.

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Faculty May Reserve Recreation Hall Seats

Faculty members may reserve seats for athletic events to be held February 20, 27, and March 6 in Recreation hall. It was announced today by Harold R. Gilbert, ticket manager of the Athletic Association.

Tomorrow and Thursday are the days set aside for the exchange of faculty book coupons for the reserved tickets. Good only for the evening events, 400 reserved seats in the faculty section will be given.

Any remaining tickets will be placed on sale each Friday and Saturday before the events at the Athletic Association window in Old Main. The price for each reserved seat will be \$1.14.

Hillel To Hold Meeting For Cabinet Elections

A reorganization meeting of unaffiliated Jewish students will be held in room 418, Old Main, tonight at 8, according to Minerva Z. Lehman '36, president of the Hillel Foundation.

BOWL at the Dux Club 126 S. Pugh

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